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RESPECT	RESPONSIBILITY	CREATIVITY	KINDNESS	ASPIRATION	EQUALITY
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### Diary Dates

- 3 October - Tempest Photography - Individual photographs
- 4 October - Parent/Carer Evening
- 4 October - Support Staff Celebration
- 5 October - Parent/Carer Evening
- 5 October - Public Speaking Event
- 6 October - Inset Day - Children do not attend
- 13 October - Mental Health Awareness Day
- 20 October - Ashbrook's Got Talent
- 20 October - 'Wear it Pink' Day
- W/C 23 October - House Sports
- 26 October - Reading Celebration Assembly
- 27 October - Finish for Half Term

If you have misplaced or lost a letter please contact the school office and we can resend a copy via Class Dojo

### Aspiration Day

Our Aspiration Day today was a huge success, the children had a great time and looked amazing!

Thank you to all our visitors for inspiring our children about their future. A special thank you to Miss Richards for organising this event.



### Fundraising

**Macmillan Coffee Morning:** Following our Living our School Values assembly on **Friday 13 October 2023**, we will be hosting a coffee morning to raise funds for Macmillan.

**Wear it Pink Day!:** On **Friday 20 October 2023**, children can come into school wearing something pink. A small donation of £1 will be payable to the class teacher in aid of Breast Cancer Awareness.

### Public Speaking Event

On **Thursday 5 October 2023** we would like to invite all parents/carers to join the Public Speaking Event Assembly from 2.45pm.

### Forest School

Do you have any waterproofs at home that you no longer need?

We would appreciate donations of any waterproofs - trousers and jackets starting from age 5 and upwards.

Thank you in advance.



### Ashbrook's Got Talent Final (AGT)

Our First AGT final of the school year will be held on Friday 20 October 2023 at 2:15pm.

Please encourage your children to audition as we have many talented children. If your child gets through to the final we will send you a Dojo invite to attend the show.



### SAFEGUARDING "Everybody's Business"

It is everyone's responsibility to do something if there are concerns that a child is suffering from or is at risk of significant harm.

The [safeguarding@ashbrook-jun.derbyshire.sch.uk](mailto:safeguarding@ashbrook-jun.derbyshire.sch.uk) is monitored throughout the day. If you have any concerns that a child is at risk of serious harm then contact **Call Derbyshire on 01629 533190** or visit <http://www.derbyshire.gov.uk/startingpoint>

NSPCC is a free 24 hour, 365 days a year helpline on 0800 800500 or visit [www.nspcc.org.uk](http://www.nspcc.org.uk)

**NSPCC**

### Attendance Award

Congratulations to **LEWIS** and **WILSON** Class who have achieved the highest attendance for week ending 29 September 2023.



### Inset Day

A reminder that we have an Inset Day on **Friday 6 October 2023**, children should not attend school on this day.

### Parent/Carers Evenings Reminder

A reminder that we will be holding our Autumn term parents/carers evenings on **Wednesday October 4 2023** and **Thursday October 5 2023**.

Class teachers will let you know of your time slot.

### School Awards

As there has been no Living Our School Vales Assembly this week due to Aspiration Day, all Dojo points will be carried over to next week.



### Can you help?

Our Eco Team need your help.

The team are busy making plans to brighten up our school and are in need of any plastic bottles with lids, flowers that are ready for planting and seeds.

The bottles can be of any size but they must have lids. If you are able to help, please drop them off at the school office or your child can take them to their class teacher.

### Thank you

We would like to say thank you to Mary at Leisure Furnishings, Long Eaton, for donating material sample's to school.

These will be used for DT units of work linked to our enquiries and also for crafts in school



## FOOD FESTIVAL by Asperns

Autumn/Winter 2023/2024  
11/9, 20/10, 28/10, 20/11, 11/12, 18/1, 5/2

# LUNCH WEEK 2 MENU



### MAIN EVENT



### MEAT-FREE MAGIC Vegetarian Dish



### RAINBOW ALLEY Vegetables and Salads



### PASTA TWIRLER Topped Pasta



### BIG TOPPING Filled Jacket



### DESSERT TROLLEY Pudding

#### MONDAY

All Day Breakfast  
Brunch  
Sausage, Egg, Hash  
Brown and Beans

#### TUESDAY

Pizza Margherita  
with Baked Potato  
Wedges

#### WEDNESDAY

Minced Beef and  
Onion Pie with Mash

#### THURSDAY

Chicken  
Chow Mein  
(Noodles)

#### FRIDAY

Golden Fish  
Fingers  
with Chips

All Day Veggie  
Breakfast Brunch  
Veggie Sausage, Egg,  
Hash Brown and Beans

Golden Vegetable  
Fingers with Baked  
Potato Wedges

Super Veggie Pie  
Vegetable, Lentil and  
Onion Pie with Mash

Mexican Bean Wrap  
with Whole Grain  
Rice

Cheesy Sweetcorn  
Pizza  
with Chips

Baked Beans

Green Salad

Carrots

Sweetcorn

Baked Beans

*Salad and bread available every day*

**Hot Pasta topped with Homemade Tomato Sauce**

**Crispy Skin Jacket Potatoes**  
with Cheese or Beans

Banana Sponge  
Cake and Custard

Jammy Crumble  
Bars

Apple Crumble and  
Custard

Orange  
Jelly

Vanilla  
Ice Cream

*Cut fruit, yoghurt and jelly available every day*

## Class Attendance – week commencing 25 September 2023

Another outstanding week for attendance this week – a huge well done to everyone for continuing to do their absolute best to attend school on time and every day.

This week we have another week where more than one class has achieved 100% weekly attendance – congratulations to **Lewis** and **Wilson** classes. It was also an extremely close week for both Zephaniah and Horowitz, with both classes achieving 99% for the week – well done!



Attendance for w/c 25 September 2023		
Class	Weekly attendance Percentage	Percentage for Year
Lewis Class Year 3	100%	96%
Wilson Class Year 3	100%	99.5%%
Riordan Class Year 4	94%	98%
Elphinstone Class Year 4	97%	97%
Zephaniah Class Year 5	99%	97%
Horowitz Class Year 5	99%	99%
Said Class Year 6	97%	97%



## Lateness - why being on time for school is important

There is a clear link between attendance and punctuality and academic achievement. Lateness impacts attendance and is as equally important as regular school attendance. Being on time means children won't miss out and fall behind with their learning and also provides opportunities for children to meet up with their friends and develop new relationships.

## Did you know how much learning children miss out on?

### Minutes late per day during the school year

5 mins  
10 mins  
15 mins  
20 mins  
30 mins

### Equal days worth of teaching lost in a year

3.4 days  
6.9 days  
10.3 days  
13.8 days  
20.7 days

## Why School Meals are Great

## FOOD FESTIVAL

By Aspens

Lunch time is an important part of a child's school day, giving pupils a break with friends and the chance to recharge their batteries. But why should you choose a school meal? Take a look at the ten great reasons we have come up with!

1. School meals are delicious, healthy, safe, varied and could be free!
2. Measures have been taken around staff training, food safety and enhanced cleaning to ensure that all of our dinners are safe.
3. It would save you hours making packed lunches for your child!
4. Children receiving Free School Meals have exactly the same choice as everyone else and no-one will know that your child's meal is free.
5. You can see the menus and choices online, so you know exactly what they'll be eating.
6. The school catering team is fully trained and ready to cater for children with allergies or other special diets.
7. School meals help encourage good eating habits from an early age and provide the opportunity to further develop their social skills as they sit down with friends to enjoy their meals.
8. There are plenty of opportunities to try new foods and more fussy eaters are much more likely to try new things if their friends are eating the same meals as they are.
9. It's easy to apply – speak to your school office for details or check your eligibility here: <https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals>
10. You'll be supporting the school too. Schools receive extra government grants for every child who is claiming Free School Meals. That can be used to pay for more books, computers, special events and much more.