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**RESPECT      RESPONSIBILITY      CREATIVITY      KINDNESS      ASPIRATION      EQUALITY**

**Diary Dates**

- 22 January 2024 - Year 4 Residential Meeting
- 24 January 2024 - Year 6 Height and Weight Measurement by NHS
- 29 January 2024 - Community Action Week
- 2 February 2024 - Public Speaking Event
- 5 February 2024 - Community Action Week
- 9 February 2024 - Ashbrook's Got Talent
- 12 February 2024 - House Sports Tournament
- 13 February 2024 - Reading celebration Assembly
- 14 February—Year 4 Residential
- 15 February - Year 4 residential
- 16 February 2024 - Inset day - Children do not attend
- 26 February 2024 - Term starts
- 26 February 2024 - Year 5 Taster day at West Park

Parents/Carers,

A huge thank you to all staff, children and governors for welcoming visitors from Transform Trust in for the day on Thursday.

They noted that children's attitudes and behaviour are exemplary.

The visitors spent time looking at children's books and talking about what the children have learnt so far this year and recognised that our new enquiry curriculum is helping our children know and remember more.

They also noted that on entry to school and when in school safeguarding procedures are extremely strong.

We are very proud of the children's responsibility here at Ashbrook and thank the Wellbeing Leaders for their sessions to mark Mental Health Awareness Week.



**Ashbrook's Got Talent**

We will be holding our Spring Term Ashbrook's Got Talent on 9 February 2024.

Once children have made it through the audition stage and to the final, parents will be invited to attend via Class Dojo.



**School Website**

Our website is updated regularly with important information and dates.

You are able to sync the calendar in your phone with the website so that you are able to keep up to date with event dates and times.

Please take a look at [www.ashbrook-jun.derbyshire.sch.uk](http://www.ashbrook-jun.derbyshire.sch.uk)

**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 a 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 0808 800500 or visit [www.nspcc.org.uk](http://www.nspcc.org.uk)



### Attendance Award

Congratulations to **SAID** class who have achieved the highest attendance for the week ending 19 January 2024.



### Living Our School Values

Week ending 19 January 2024.

Well done to : Quinn G, Jacob F, Jasmine F, Robyn S, Davey J, Harrison Y, Lily D, Scarlett R, Emily S,

Alice S, Jocelyn Y, Gethin J, Ava-Mae R, Olivia B.



### Class Dojo

A polite reminder to ask you to check Class Dojo regularly.

Please check your child's class posts and also the main school page.

Messages are sent out regularly which could contain information such as changed PE times, menu changes and lots more.



### Easy Fundraising

Thank you to everyone who has already signed up to Easy Fundraising and earning the school some much needed funds whilst shopping. If you have not already signed up, please use the QR Code attached or you can log into Easy Fundraising and choose Ashbrook Junior School and of course there is an App you can download to make it a lot easier.

Once you are all signed up, if you use the Easy Fundraising App to search for suppliers, every time you make a purchase with that company the school will receive a percentage of the amount that you spend.

It is as simple as that and it will make a big difference to the school fundraising. Nothing is added to the amount that you spend.

There are over 8000 brands that work with Easy Fundraising, so this is a simple way to make a donation to the school fundraising.



# MOMENTS MATTER, ATTENDANCE COUNTS.

Attendance Update – week commencing 15 January 2024

## Focus this week: Punctuality and Lateness

A huge congratulations again to our Year 6 children in **Said** for another weekly attendance of **100%** attendance – well done.

Unfortunately, this week we are reporting that our whole school attendance has fallen to **95%** which is below our target of **96%**.

Lots of factors can impact attendance levels for example illness, holidays, medical appointments etc but did you know that **lateness also counts as absence?**

This academic year we have over **100** instances of children arriving late to start the school day. When we add all the minutes the school and children have lost due to lateness this equates to over **1,200** minutes of lost learning!

We understand that sometimes lateness cannot be avoided. However, when a child arrives late on a regular basis this can start to have a detrimental effect to that child and their learning and can also be disruptive to other pupils in their class.

The first part of our morning routine helps children;

- settle into school (e.g. hang their coats up, sort their school bags, order lunches etc),
- provides opportunities for children to catch up with friends,
- allows children time to talk to teachers if they need to; and
- sets out the timetable for the rest of the day.

If children miss out on this important part of the day, they can quickly begin to feel isolated and anxious and can start to fall behind in their learning.

### What families can do to help:

- Have a regular routine for the start of each day.
- Help all the child in your family get their clothes and equipment (e.g. shoes, packed lunches etc) ready before they go to bed.
- Set a reasonable bedtime to make sure everyone is getting enough sleep.
- If you are running late, contact the school office and let us know – we may be able to help.

**Remember our start times: all children should be in class by 8.55 am for registration.**

### What we can do to help

If you are experiencing difficulties getting to school on time on a regular basis, we would encourage you to talk to us, we are able to help and can support in many ways.

**FOOD FESTIVAL**  
by Aspens

Autumn/Winter 2023/2024:  
18/9, 9/10, 6/11, 27/11, 18/12, 22/1

# LUNCH WEEK 3 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

Hot Dog with Baked Potato Wedges

Vegetarian Shepherd's Pie

Green Beans

Watermelon Wedge

### TUESDAY

Tomato & Roasted Vegetable Pasta Bake

Mixed Vegetable Korma with Whole Grain Rice

Broccoli

Chocolate Crunch and Custard

### WEDNESDAY

Roast Gammon with Roast Potatoes and Gravy

Baked Mac n Cheese

Carrots

Oaty Apple Crunch Slice

### THURSDAY

**Pizza Day!**  
Veggie Supreme Pizza with Baked Potato Wedges

BBQ Drizzle Pizza with Baked Potato Wedges

Peas

Strawberry Jelly

### FRIDAY

Golden Fish Fingers with Chips

Golden Vegetable Fingers with Chips

Baked Beans

Vanilla Ice Cream

*Salad and bread available every day*

**Hot Pasta topped with Homemade Tomato Sauce**

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

*Cut fruit, yoghurt and jelly available every day*

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**FEBRUARY HOLIDAY COURSES 2024**

"A FUN PACKED DAY OF FOOTBALL FOR CHILDREN IN SCHOOL YEARS 1 TO 6"

**FRIESLAND SCHOOL**  
NURSERY AVENUE, RISLEY, NG10 5AF

**WEDNESDAY 21ST FEBRUARY - FRIDAY 23RD FEBRUARY**

9.00AM - 3.30PM  
ARRIVAL FROM 8.45AM

EARLY BIRD OFFERS FROM £16.95 PER DAY

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[www.soccerstarsuk.co.uk](http://www.soccerstarsuk.co.uk)

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**TINY TOTS SATURDAY MORNING SESSIONS**

FOR CHILDREN AGED 2 TO 5

INDOOR VENUES

- UNIVERSITY OF DERBY
- THE LONG EATON SCHOOL
- CHELLASTON ACADEMY
- REPTON SPORTS CENTRE

TASTER SESSIONS AVAILABLE TO BOOK ON OUR WEBSITE!  
FOR CHILDREN IN RECEPTION TO SCHOOL YEAR 6

**SKILLS CENTRES**

**SATURDAY**  
UNIVERSITY OF DERBY

- 9:15AM - 10:15AM
- 10:15AM - 11:15AM

**SUNDAY**  
ETWALL LEISURE CENTRE

- 9:00AM - 10:00AM

36 PITCHES  
WEEKLY TOPICS

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