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RESPECT RESPONSIBILITY CREATIVITY KINDNESS ASPIRATION EQUALITY

Diary Dates

- 29 January 2024 - Community Action Week
- 1 February 2024 - NSPCC Number Day
- 2 February 2024 - Oracy Day, 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

Dear Parents/Carers,

What an amazing week we have had in school.

Staff have been working hard to ensure classrooms are showing consistency in terms of visual timetables and labelling, helping to promote children's independence.

I had the pleasure of showing round a headteacher from another Trust School this week, who was extremely complementary about recent changes to shared spaces and the 'delightful children at Ashbrook'.

Our Chair of Governors, Mr Stenson, visited classes this morning and could also see the improvements already made. I am thoroughly proud of staff and children!

Ashbrook's Got Talent

We will be holding our Spring Term Ashbrook's Got Talent on Friday 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.



NSPCC Number Day.

Thursday 1 February 2024 is the annual NSPCC Number Day.

All children will be participating in a range of exciting and fun activities linked to numbers.

The children will also be able to come to school in NON-UNIFORM as part of the NSPCC theme DRESS FOR DIGITS. For example, they could dress up as a number or in a sports top with a number on....the possibilities are endless.

To raise money for the NSPCC a voluntary donation of £1.00 CASH is to be given to the class teacher.



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 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



Attendance Award

Congratulations to **ELPHINSTONE** class who have achieved the highest attendance for the week ending 27 January 2024.



Living Our School Values

Week ending 26 January 2024.

Well done to : Finley E, Ruby S, Ethan E-A, Scarlett S, Xander-Ray B, Emilia C, Jay D, Eleanor H, Dylan E, Layla P, Alfie C, Cooper P, Harper N, Noah L.



Ashbrook Tigers

Tigers are taking bookings for our INSET DAY on Friday 16 February 2024 and the February half term holiday, week commencing 19 February 2024.

If you would like to book your child on to any day that school is closed to children, please email Lynne on lynne.flinn@ashbrook-inf.derbyshire.sch.uk



Oracy Day

On Friday 2 February 2024 we will be holding our Oracy Day, where children will participate in oracy activities throughout the day.

They will then perform in an oracy celebration at the end of the day where parents and carers are invited to join us in the school hall at 2:30pm.

Children will not need to dress up or bring anything in to school.

Vacancy at Ashbrook Junior School

We currently have an opening for a part time cleaner to work 11 hours per week, starting as soon as possible.

Further information can be located on our website;

<https://www.ashbrook-jun.derbyshire.sch.uk/page/?title=Vacancies&pid=19>

Any questions regarding the post, please contact the school office on 01332 673785

A special 'Thank you'

A special 'Thank you' to Kal and Dylan who came up with the idea of making and selling bookmarks to raise money to support refurbishing and ambulance as part of the Global Community Action, Mrs Sansom is taking part in, in India.



Half Term Club with Central Soccer

We are pleased to announce that Richard, Kieran and Ash are holding a half term club throughout the February holiday, which will be held at Ashbrook Infants School.

The clubs are about enjoyment, learning and socializing. The team aim to develop the children's knowledge and enthusiasm for all the games that they play. The clubs are always a mixture of SKILLS, WORK, MATCHES and COMPETITIONS. Each day will be completely different. On the last day there will be a presentation at 2:50pm where children will receive a medal and certificate in recognition of their hard work and parents will also be able to attend.

COURSE 1- MONDAY 19 - WEDNESDAY 21 FEBRUARY 2024—FOOTBALL. 3 DAYS £30.00 2 DAYS £25.00

COURSE 2- MONDAY 19 - WEDNESDAY 21 FEBRUARY 2024—MULTISPORTS. 3 DAYS £30.00 2 DAYS £25.00

TIMES—8:30/9:00AM DROP OFF—3:00PM COLLECT

COURSES ARE OPEN TO PUPILS FROM ALL SCHOOLS.

Booking form is attached and also available from the school office.





Attendance Update—Week commencing 22 January 2024

A huge congratulations to [Elphinstone](#) Class with a weekly attendance of 100% - well done!

Elphinstone Class have been working really hard to support each other and achieve this outstanding attendance as a team this week. This is also the first time this academic year that Elphinstone have claimed the trophy. Well done Elphinstone for living our school values and winning the trophy.

Focus this week : Persistent Absence

We all understand that being in school is important to a child's achievement, wellbeing and wider development. Evidence shows that children with the highest attendance throughout their time in school gain the best GCSE and A Level results and are more likely to succeed in their chosen career path.

Across all schools in the UK, there are a number of indicators that can highlight when a child is at risk of not reaching their full potential. One of these indicators is when a child reaches an attendance level of **90%** or below.

Attendance below 90% is categorized as 'persistent absence'. Sadly, children that are showing as a persistent absentee at this point in the academic year has already lost at least 2 weeks of learning. The more a child misses, the harder it is for them to catch up on their work, they may start to feel isolated and this can all begin to impact their overall wellbeing and mental health.

At Ashbrook Junior School we understand that each of our families have their own unique set of circumstances, some of which can impact a child's school attendance. If your child's attendance is at risk of dropping to 90% or below, we will contact you so that we can work together to prevent the situation from worsening.

If your child has missed time from school and you are worried about how this has impacted their learning please talk to us.

Winter

water safety

In winter, children and pets are particularly at risk when tempted to play on the ice formed on open water, and adults can find themselves at risk in attempting to save them.

Taking a nice walk in cold weather with your family, friends or dogs in tow can be really refreshing, just make sure you know some simple tips on how to stay safe in winter.

Here are some useful tips to keep safe this winter:



KEEP BACK FROM THE EDGE

Keep back from slippery banks.

Stick to well-lit areas and plan your walks in daylight or along well-lit paths.

Never go onto the ice.



KEEP CHILDREN AND DOGS WITHIN REACH

Teach children not to go onto ice.

Keep dogs on a lead near ice and slippery banks.

If out enjoying a winter walk, walk with friends.



IF YOU'RE IN TROUBLE FLOAT AND CALL FOR HELP.

Stay calm, float on your back and call for help.

Wait for help and keep as still as possible.

Preserve heat by pressing your arms by your side and keep your legs together. Keep your head clear of the water.

Throw something that floats to somebody that has fallen in.



CALL 999

Do not enter cold water or ice to rescue.

Try and reach them from the bank using a rope, pole, tree branch, clothing tied together or anything else which can extend your reach.



Enjoy Water **Safely**

CENTRAL



**SOCCER & SPORTS
SCHOOLS**

**HALF TERM FOOTBALL or MULTISPORTS COACHING
AT ASHBROOK – FOR ALL SCHOOLS
*TO FAST BOOK TEXT/CALL 07943 837994***

We would like to give your child the opportunity to participate in some EXCITING AND FUN clubs this HALF TERM AT ASHBROOK INFANTS SCHOOL,BORROWASH. The club is open to INFANTS AND JUNIORS and is aimed at the children having maximum FUN AND ENJOYMENT IN A SAFE SUPERVISED ENVIRONMENT. For your peace of mind all of our coaches are fully CRB checked,and have had between 7 and 25 years experience working with this age group,we also have FULL PUBLIC AND PERSONAL INSURANCE IN PLACE.

We emphasise that the clubs are about ENJOYMENT AND LEARNING and we accept and encourage BOYS AND GIRLS OF ALL ABILITIES TO COME AND JOIN US. We aim to develop the childrens knowledge and enthusiasm for the games we play. The clubs are always a mixture of SKILLS WORK,MATCHES AND COMPETITIONS.....each day and session will be different and there will be a PRESENTATION AT 2.50PM ON THE LAST DAY WHICH PARENTS AND FAMILY ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND.....THE CHILDREN ALL RECEIVE MEDALS AND CERTIFICATES IN RECOGNITION.

COURSE VENUE.....	ASHBROOK INFANTS,VICTORIA AVENUE,BORROWASH
COURSE 1.....	MONDAY FEBRUARY 19 TH –WEDNESDAY 21 ST FEBRUARY – FOOTBALL 3 DAYS £30 2 DAYS £25
COURSE 2.....	MONDAY FEB 19 TH –WEDS 21 ST FEBRUARY - MULTISPORTS 3 DAYS £30 2 DAYS £25
TIMES.....	8.30/9.00AM DROP OFF – 3.00PM COLLECT
COACHES.....	ROB,KIERON,ASH
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PLEASE NOTE THAT REFUNDS CANNOT BE GIVEN ONCE PAYMENT IS ACCEPTED.

To secure a place please fill out the form below and place it in a sealed envelope with your childs NAME ON THE FRONT AND YOUR PAYMENT INSIDE.....YOU MAY PAY BY CASH OR CHEQUE PAYABLE TO CENTRAL SOCCER SCHOOLS .PLEASE THEN RETURN THE FORM AND PAYMENT TO SCHOOL..WE ARE EXPECTING A HIGH DEMAND FOR THIS CLUB SO TO ENSURE A PLACE PLEASE RETURN TO SCHOOL AT THE FIRST OPPORTUNITY TO AVOID ANY DISSAPPOINTMENT. If you have any questions no matter how small you can call me on 07943 837994.....if i don't answer it means im coaching and i will return your call as soon as i can. I hope you are interested in these courses and you consider them an option for your child.

Yours sincerely,

Richard Smith Central Soccer Schools UK

NAME.....ADDRESS.....SCHOOL YEAR.....

TELEPHONE.....MEDICAL CONDITIONS.....SIGNED.....

COURSE 1 MON TUES WEDS COURSE 2 MON TUES WEDS PLEASE CIRCLE