Ashbrook Infant and Nursery School

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Diary Dates

February

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Friday 2nd	Number Day - assembly 2.30pm		
W/C 5th	Children's mental health week		
Tuesday 6th	Internet Safety Day - more details to follow		
Friday 9th	Acorns and Hazel celebrating Luna New Year		
	Support group coffee morning		
Tuesday 13th	Shrove Tuesday, AKA Pancake da		
Thursday 15th	End of Term		
Friday 16th	INSET Day - School and Acorns closed to all children, Tigers is open.		
Monday 26th	Term Starts		
<u>March</u>			
Friday 1st	Acorns and Hazel celebrating St David's Day		
Friday 8th	World Book Day		
Friday 15th	Red Nose Day - more details to follow		
W/C 18th	ollow Parents Evening for Elm, Willow and Oak Classes - more details to follow		
Wednesday 20th	oetry Enrichment Day for all hildren in school and Nursery		
Monday 25th	Acorns and Hazel celebrating Holi		
Thursday 28th	End of Term Dates for your diary		
<u>April</u>			
Monday 15th	Term Starts		

Number Day - 2nd February 2024

We will be celebrating NSPCC Number Day by asking children and staff to take part in the theme 'Dress for Digits.' Please don't go and buy anything- writing numbers on faces in face paint is just as effective! Wear your own clothes if you wish, or make your own maths attach object and it to you! Number day is something we all look forward to in school each year. A maths inspired fundraising day, having fun with maths and raising money for the NSPCC.

Please send your £1 voluntary donation via ParentPay. We would like to invite you all to our Number assembly for all the children in Nursery and school, starting at 2.30pm.

Support Group Coffee Morning

On Friday 9th February we are holding a coffee morning for people to come, have a coffee / tea and chat about how to best support your child at home, with Autism / ADHD, and other needs diagnosed or undiagnosed.

"Safeguarding is everyone'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.

Starting Point is Derbyshire's first point of contact for children and younger adults for advice and support or if you have concerns for a child. The service is available Mon to Fri 8am to 6pm. Telephone 01629 533190 or visit www.derbyshire.gov.uk/startingpoint or contact NSPCC free 24 hour, 365 days a year helpline on 0808 800 5000 or visit www.nspcc.org.uk. However, if you are concerned that a child is in immediate danger, you should contact the police.





Class Attendanc	<u>e</u>			The class with the best
Class	Weekly	Weekly	Attendance	attendance this week went to
	Attendance	Attendance	for Year to	
	W/C 15.01.24	W/C 22.01.24	Date	WILLOW TREE CLASS!
Oak Tree	97.67%	97.13%	95.49%	CONGRATULATIONS!
Willow Tree	97.86%	97.22%	95.58%	Attendance
Elm Tree	99.03%	97.13%	94.79%	Matters
Hazel Tree	84.64%	86.94%	92.74%	

Reception and Key Stage 1 Celebrations!

During assemblies we are giving certificates to our children who have been spotted showing "Caring Kindness".

Last week, certificates for our children showing caring kindness went to:

Georgia, Anna, Ella, Poppy, Theo, Leo, Joshua and Arlo

Acorns Nursery got a Headteacher award for being super stars when the boiler broke last week and the children had to come over to school to play all week– they managed so well in a totally different environment.

Last week's Lunchtime superstars went to: Donny, Ernie, Neve and Kynan

Last week's Tidiest Classroom award went to Hazel Tree Class

Last week's class with the highest attendance went to Elm Tree Class

This week, certificates for our children showing caring kindness went to:

Liara, Aoife, Max, Asta, Emily, Sophie, Charlotte and Ashleigh-Alice

This week's Lunchtime superstars went to: Emma, Izzy, Brody and Polly

This week's Tidiest Classroom award went to Oak Tree Class

Congratulations to our winners!!

Since our last newsletter we have given out books to:

Harley, Donny, George, Imogen, Shiloh, Ebou, Josh H, Myla, Aila and Iris

Congratulations and Happy Reading!



Ashbrook Tigers

Tigers is taking bookings for our INSET Day on Friday 16th February and the February holiday, week commencing



19th February. If you would like to book your child on to any day that school is closed to children, please email Lynne at lynne.flinn@ashbrookinf.derbyshire.sch.uk

Contacting School

Don't forget that we have an open door policy in our school. If you have any concerns about your child, please see your child's class teacher in the first instant at the start or end of the day. If it becomes apparent that something requires a longer meeting, or needs input from a different member of staff, we will arrange this at a mutually convenient time. Teachers will only respond to Dojo messages between the hours of 8am and 4pm. Please keep in mind that staff are teaching and are with your children. They will answer you when they can and will aim to respond within 2 days.



We are fortunate to have the help, support and experience of Nat Coxon in our school once a week to help our children – here is a bit more information about her:

Mental Health & Wellbeing Support



Hi, my name is Nat Coxon and I am the Youth & Children's coordinator for St Stephen's Church in Borrowash and All Saints' in Ockbrook. I have worked with children & young people for over 20 years and have a degree in Youth work and Community.

Part of my role is to support all children and young people in our community with their mental health and well-being. I can do this by offering support and guidance in a small group or 1-1 within the school setting. Working alongside the school, I hope I can make a positive difference in the lives of the children.

My role is not to replace that of mental health professional but to support children in some of the low-level struggles they may be facing. I will listen without judgement and offer practical ways that will hopefully help them. I will work closely with school and would always pass on any areas for concern.



I look forward to meeting the children in the coming weeks and months.