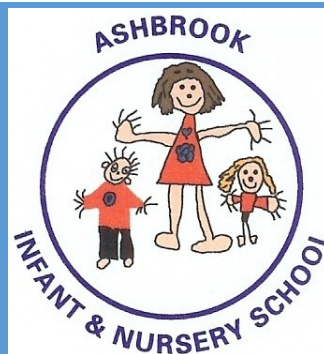


# Ashbrook Infant and Nursery School

22nd September 2023

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## Diary Dates

### September

Wednesday 27th Image Theatre visiting the Year 1 and 2 children.

Friday 29th Macmillan Coffee Morning

### October

Wednesday 4th Harvest Celebration 9.15am

Wednesday 18th Individual and family photos

Thursday 26th End of Term

Friday 27th INSET Day - school and Nursery are closed to children, Tigers is open.

### November

Monday 6th Term Starts

Wednesday 8th Open Day

Diwali Day

## Image Theatre Company

On the 27th September the theatre company are coming in to work with all year 1 and 2 children and perform 'The Wind in The Willows'.

If you haven't already done so please can you pay £5 contribution for the Theatre Visit

If you require a paypoint letter please contact the school office.

Thank you.

## Safeguarding - Everyone's Responsibility

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-inf.derbyshire.sch.uk](mailto:safeguarding@ashbrook-inf.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)

## Macmillan Coffee Morning

We would like to invite everyone to our Macmillan coffee morning on Friday 29th September from 9am. Come and have a cuppa, cake and chat to other parents and help us raise money for Macmillan. If you would like to donate cakes for our coffee morning, please bring them in to school on Thursday afternoon (28th), thank you.



## Ashbrook Tigers

Tigers is taking bookings for our INSET Day on Friday 27th October and the October holiday, week commencing 30th October. If you would like to book your child on to any day that school is closed to children, please email Lynne at [lynne.flinn@ashbrook-inf.derbyshire.sch.uk](mailto:lynne.flinn@ashbrook-inf.derbyshire.sch.uk)



## Easy Fundraising

You can raise FREE donations for Ashbrook Infant and Nursery School EVERY time you shop online. Just use easyfundraising! Over 7,000 brands will donate, including all the big names like eBay, John Lewis & Partners, Argos, ASOS, Expedia, M&S, Just Eat, Uswitch and many more! Visit: [https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/ashbrookinfantnursery/?utm\\_source=whatsapp&utm\\_medium=social&utm\\_campaign=pmc&utm\\_content=wa-1](https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/ashbrookinfantnursery/?utm_source=whatsapp&utm_medium=social&utm_campaign=pmc&utm_content=wa-1) or use the QR code to start helping us raise money for our children.



## Attendance

## Attendance Matters

We have high expectations for children's attendance and punctuality and we ensure that these expectations are communicated to families.

Children are expected to attend school punctually every day and they are required to be at school, for the full day. The morning register will close at 9.05am. Pupils will receive an unauthorised absence mark (U) if they do not attend school before this time.



We understand children sometimes can be poorly and they can't come in to school. However, if they have a cough or cold and feel well enough in themselves they still should come to school and we will contact you if we need too.

If your child is too unwell to come to school you must contact the school office before 8.45am on the first day and every subsequent day of their child's absence – it is a legal requirement that you provide an explanation for the reason for absence and an estimation of how long the absence will last, e.g. one school day.

We are currently updating the attendance policy and we will be sharing this with you all, once it has been approved. We expect all of our children to have at least 96% attendance throughout the school year.

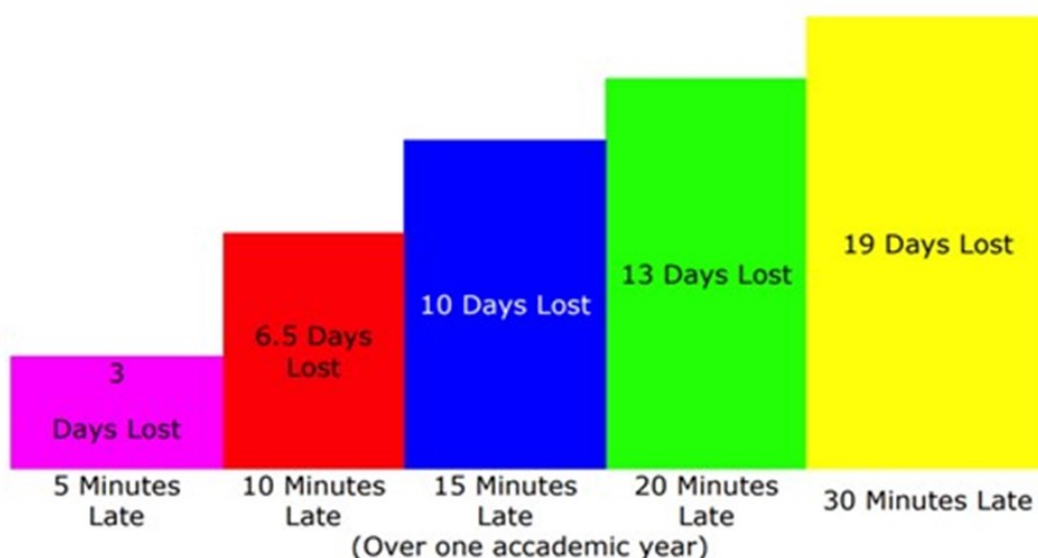
For further information, please see our website <https://ashbrook-infant-and-nursery-school.secure-primariesite.net/attendance-1/>

Why not download the Handi app - The HANDI paediatric app is a free app designed for parents, offering simple and straightforward advice to help you feel more confident to deal with a range of common childhood illnesses.

<https://derbyshirefamilyhealthservice.nhs.uk/our-services/0-5-years/handi-paediatric-app>

## Every Minute Counts

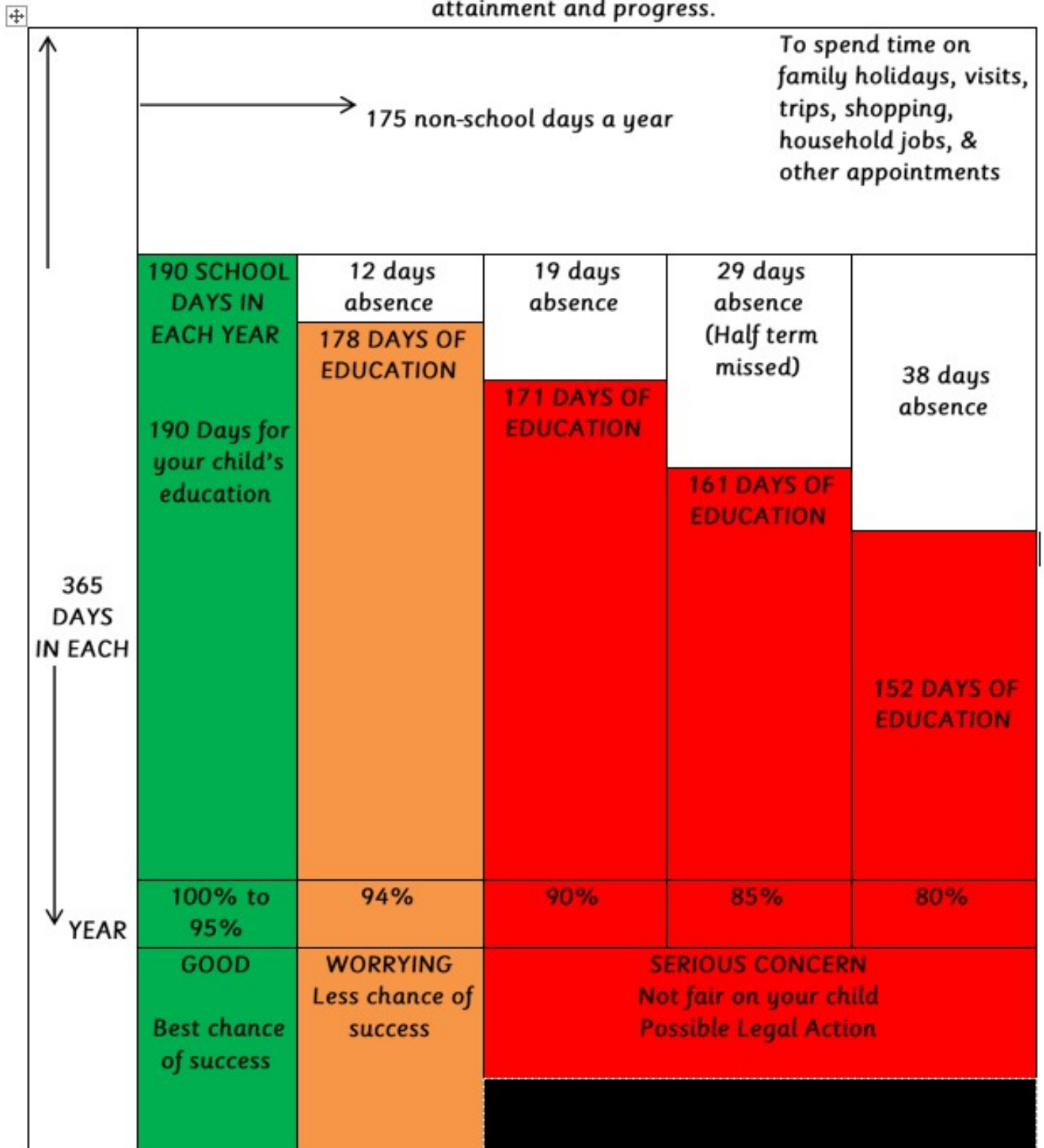
If you arrive late to school everyday your learning begins to suffer. Below is a graph showing how being late to school everyday over a school year adds up to lost learning time.



## Appendix 2 – Days off add up to Lost Learning

### DAYS OFF ADD UP TO LOST LEARNING

There is clear evidence to show that days off school impact on your child's attainment and progress.



### **Drop off and collection from School**

Please can we remind everyone that the first bell you hear at 8.45am is for Acorns Nursery children, the second bell at 8.50am is for the children in school. The gate will be open a couple of minutes before the second bell so that we can get the children straight in to class for registration.

### **Flu vaccination**

FOR ALL THE CHILDREN IN SCHOOL

Dear Parent / carer,

If you would like your child to receive the flu vaccine in school, please follow this link to complete an online consent form for the nasal spray;  
<https://nhsimms.azurewebsites.net/session/f97c0dde>



The vaccinations will take place at your child's school on the 30th November 2023. If your child has already had the Nasal Flu vaccine since Sept 2023 please disregard this message. If you have any problems accessing the link, please telephone 0333 358 3397 option 5.

### **Year 2 children**

Your child should have come home with a letter this week about recorder lessons. If you would like your child to learn the recorder on a Tuesday lunchtime,

### **Free Drumming Taster**

Would your school child like a FREE taster session with Rockin Robins?

Ben comes in every Tuesday and teaches the drums. If your child is interested and you would like to try a FREE taster session, please send Helen Jackson a Dojo message, thank you.



### **Acorns Nursery**

If your child has a school lunch, don't forget to log on to ParentPay and pay for the meals your child has received, Thank you.

### **Borrowash Vics**

Would you and your family like to win family tickets to The Fireworks and Bonfire Night being held at Borrowash Victoria AFC on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> November? All you need to do is make Guy Fawkes. The best 3 x entries will win tickets. Please bring your guys to Helen Jackson by Wednesday 25th October and they will be judged by the organisers and tickets given before we break up for the October holidays.



Dear All,

We have been having a very busy time in school since the start of the year! Our new children are well settled now and our older children are working hard. We are working towards our Year 2 children taking some more responsibility around school and demonstrating that they are our older children– I have been grateful for some fantastic assembly helpers so far!

I wanted to draw your attention to our Harvest Celebration on Wednesday 4th October at 9.15am. All the children in school will be taking part and you are most welcome to join us. If you would like to make a donation to Derby City Mission, it would be most gratefully received. Please see the attached list on the next page.

In other news, as you are already aware, many schools have been having a challenging time financially over the last few years and as I told you in Summer term, Ashbrook Infants has been no exception to this. As I made you aware in the summer, we have had to undergo a restructure. Within this, some staff have had to make sacrifices and changes to their role. Some of these have already been highlighted to you but I also wanted to make you aware that Ms Guthrie is one of those members of staff who has been affected by these changes. She continues to do a fabulous job in her teaching role but is no longer our Deputy headteacher as this role was affected by the restructure. I am very grateful to her for all her contributions over her time here so far and I can assure you that her valuable contributions very much continue.

Wishing you a lovely weekend,

Mrs Roebuck

## Harvest Celebration

We would like to invite all parents/carers to our Harvest Celebration on Wednesday 4th October at 9:15am. Please drop your child off in their classroom and walk to the main entrance, next to the office to be let in.



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TRANSFORMING LIVES TOGETHER

This year we are collecting food for Derby City Mission Food Bank in association with the Community Care Hub.

The donations they are urgently needing are:

Tins of meat e.g. stewing steak, meat in sauces

Tins of cooked meat e.g. ham, corned beef

Tins of fish e.g. tuna, sardines

Tins of vegetables e.g. sweetcorn, carrots, peas, potatoes, kidney beans/pulses

Tinned tomatoes

Tins of dessert e.g. fruit, steamed puddings/ creamed rice

Packet flavoured noodles e.g. super noodles

Sauces e.g. Tomato/brown/mayo

Rice (500g)

Tea bags (bags of 40)

Coffee (small jars)

Cuppa Soups

Jams/Honey/Peanut butter/Chocolate spread

Biscuits/crackers/crisp breads

Cereals e.g. Wheat biscuits, cornflakes, oats

Toilet Rolls

Washing up Liquid

Bath/shower gel

Shampoo

Deodorant

Toothpaste/toothbrushes

Wash Tablets (for Laundry)

Size 3/4 nappies

**PLEASE NOTE: NO FRESH PRODUCE**