

Ashbrook Infant and Nursery School

17th November 2025

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Diary Dates

November

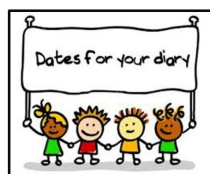
- Monday 17th - Parents Evening– 3.30pm– 5.50pm
- Tuesday 18th - Open morning 10-11am for children joining school in September 2026
- Wednesday 19th - Flu Immunisation
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- Friday 21st - Open afternoon 2-3pm for children joining school in September 2026

December

- Monday 1st - Reception to Bluebells
- Friday 5th - Reception to Snowman
- Monday 8th - KS1 Christmas performance 2pm
- Tuesday 9th - KS1 Christmas performance 9.30am
- Wednesday 10th - Early Years Christmas afternoon– 1.45pm
- Wednesday 10th - Bedtime Stories Event 4.15pm– 5.30pm
- Wednesday 17th - KS1 to Panto
- Friday 19th - Christmas Carols at School
- Friday 19th - End of Term

January 2026

- Monday 5th - Term Starts



Considerate Parking

We continue to receive complaints from local residents about inconsiderate and illegal parking in the roads around school. We ask all parents to follow the Highway Code when dropping off or collecting children from school in order to keep all our children, families and residents in our community safe. We recommend the Co-Op Car Park as the safest place to park in Borrowash.

Key Stage 1 Celebrations!

This half term, during our celebration assemblies we are giving certificates to our children who have made an 'Extraordinary Effort'

Last week (7th), certificates went to: Ava, Maicie, Alfie and Tilly.

This week (14th), certificates went to: Fraser, Lacey, Riley, Brooke, Amelia and Remi-Lynn

Lunchtime certificates went to: Maddison AL, Aila and Neve.

Congratulations to our winners!!



Children in Need

Thank you for all your kind donations to Children in Need on Friday.

Together we raised: **£83**



Since our last newsletter we have given out books to:

Corin, Lorenzo, Kayla, Phoebe, Joel, Navy, Layla, Nea, Noah, Izzy, Ralph, Connor, Aoife, Ebou, Arlo and Austin.

Congratulations and Happy Reading!



“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.

The safeguarding@ashbrook-inf.derbyshire.sch.uk is monitored regularly.

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 0800 800500 or visit www.nspcc.org.uk

Class Attendance - week commencing 10th November 2025



Class	Weekly Attendance W/C 3rd November	Weekly Attendance W/C 10th November	Attendance for Year to Date
Oak Tree	96.00%	96.5%	97.22%
Willow Tree	97.39%	96.52%	97.25%
Elm Tree	99.57%	94.35%	97.87%
Hazel Tree	94.64%	95.36%	95.15%

Whole School Attendance to Date: 96.42%

Well done to Elm and Willow for having the highest attendance in the last two weeks.

Bedtime Story Night

We are holding a Bedtime story night on Wednesday 10th December from 4.15pm until 5.30pm—children are invited to return to school in their Pyjamas and have the chance to listen to some lovely stories with milk and cookies. Letters will be sent home later this week. If you would like your child to come our Bedtime Story night please, complete and return the form. This is a fundraising activity and the small charge will cover the refreshments. Any profit will be used to fund ‘extras’ for the run up to Christmas.



Attendance Ladder



Community Information

The Ockash Trust volunteers are collecting toys and games for their stall at the Ockash Toy Market on the 29th November in the Borrowash Methodist Church Hall.

If you are having a pre-Christmas clear out and have anything you would like to donate please send a WhatsApp to +44 7746 592381, email Ockash.trust@gmail.com.

Ockash has supported our school in the past with funds for resources and supported the resurfacing of the nursery outdoor area- we would like to support their events whenever we can.

DEPARTMENT FOR EDUCATION-FUNDED

HOLIDAY CLUBS IN DERBYSHIRE

it's about me

Derbyshire's Holiday Activity and
Food Programme

2025/26

MORE INFORMATION

Did you know that as well as free school meals during term time, your child can also benefit from Department for Education-funded spaces at holiday clubs in your local area?

Thanks to the Holiday Activity and Food Programme, known in Derbyshire as 'It's About Me', your child can experience holiday clubs filled with fun, learning and healthy meals at no cost to you!

If your child is aged between 4-16 years old* and is eligible to receive benefits-related free school meals, they're entitled to access It's About Me holiday clubs.

With a wide range of activities such as sports, arts and crafts, cooking, dance, music and more, there's something for everyone! Plus, every session includes a nutritious meal to keep them energised and happy throughout the day.

Each club offers a unique programme depending on its location and type—there's so much to explore!

Not eligible? Many clubs also offer paid places, so every child has the chance to join the fun.

IMPORTANT DATES

SPRING

Bookings open: 17th March 2025

Holiday clubs open: 7th April 2025 -
17th April 2025

SUMMER

Bookings open: 30th June 2025

Holiday clubs open: 28th July 2025 -
3rd September 2025

WINTER

Bookings open: 1st December 2025

Holiday clubs open: 22nd December 2025 -
2nd January 2026

All dates exclude bank holidays and weekends.

HOW TO BOOK

1

Get your unique IAM/ HAF code from your child's school

2

Go to our website
itsaboutmederbyshire.co.uk

3

Follow our handy
[How to Book Guide](#)

4

Sign-up to receive It's
About Me updates





Ockash
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Christmas Markets

FREE
ENTRY

SATURDAY 29TH NOVEMBER
& SUNDAY 30TH NOVEMBER
10AM - 2PM
Borrowash Methodist Church Hall

Saturday

- Pre-loved Toy Market
- Santa & Mrs Claus
- Christmas Carols
- Hot drinks & Treats

Sunday

- Craft & Gift Market
- Festive Food & Drinks

Wrap up warm as the hall and church can be chilly!

Registered Charity
No. 1098200



Fundraising for
children and young
people in Ockbrook
and Borrowash.

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www.ockash.org.uk



East Midlands Airport Competition

NAME A SNOW PLOUGH

Our £2.5m winter upgrade is here: six new Compact Jet Sweepers and a snow-cutter blower, ready to keep East Midlands Airport moving.



Think witty,
imaginative, and
memorable

Closing date: Monday 15th December 2025

Prize: Snow vehicles marked up with winners' suggested names

Winners will be invited with a parent/guardian to the airport on Tuesday 30th December to see the snow fleet up close (*all visitors will require a valid passport or driving licence*)

Each winner will also receive a family ticket for Twycross Zoo's 'Lanterns of the Wild'



Click [here](#) to enter

