

15<sup>th</sup> Sept 2023

Dear Parents/Carers

It has been a busy first full week back in school for our children, as they have been settling into their new classes and engaging with new areas of learning across all aspects of the curriculum. I want to thank you all for your support in making sure children are arriving at school on time. This helps to ensure that children are not missing any key learning. We continue to listen to parent feedback to try and ensure we are giving children the best possible education and school experience to each and every child. With this in mind, an email has been sent to all parents with an update to our morning procedures. If anyone has any queries, please don't hesitate to get in touch. Finally, I'd just like to wish you all a lovely weekend, as we look forward to another action-packed week ahead.

### Blue Peter Book Badge

As we continue to share a love of reading at Ash Grove, we wanted to share this with you! Blue Peter have announced a brand-new Book Badge that children can apply for, free of charge. The badge has been designed by Sir Quentin Blake, who you may know from books like Matilda and The BFG. All your child has to do is complete the form on the link below about their favourite book and why, then in the future they will receive a Blue Peter Reading Badge. It would be great to see our children wearing one of these around school!

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbbc/findoutmore/blue-peter-apply-for-a-book-badge>

### Harvest Festival

From Monday 18th September, we will be accepting donations of non-perishable food items, such as tins, jars, packet food, as part of our Harvest Festival event. All donations will be handed to a local Food Bank on Thursday 28th September. Thank you in advance for any donation you are able to make.

### Job Vacancies

We are currently advertising for a Premises Support Officer and a Lunchtime Supervisor. Please follow the link for further information, or share the link within the local community.

[Job Vacancies - Ash Grove Primary Academy \(ipmat.co.uk\)](https://www.ipmat.co.uk)

This week's Picture News – **Lifejackets** – please log onto our website [www.ashgroveprimaryacademy.co.uk](http://www.ashgroveprimaryacademy.co.uk) and take a look at the assemblies page.

Thank you for your continued support.

*Mrs K Gawthorp*



## Key Dates

We want to continue to improve our communication by providing as many key dates and events in advance. Although these dates are in our diary, there is always the small possibility they may change to circumstances outside of our control. We will, however, keep you updated with the dates as effectively as possible.

# Dates for your Diary

**18th Sept – Inspire Session – Hawks & parents 1:45 – 3:15**

**20th Sept – Pyjama Night – 5-6pm, whole school**

**27th Sept** – Making Sense of Autism Parent Meeting 1pm -3pm SEND parents

**28<sup>th</sup> Sept** – Harvest Festival – (see main text)

**28<sup>th</sup> Sept** – Robinwood Residential Parent’s Meeting – 3:30 - 4pm

**29th Sept** – Macmillan Coffee Morning, 9am -11am, everyone welcome ☺

**29th Sept** – Inspire Session – Kestrels & parents 1:45 – 3:15

**2nd Oct** – Inspire Session – Harriers & parents 1:45 – 3:15

**6th Oct** – Inspire Session – Falcons & parents 9:15 – 10:45

**11th Oct** – Inspire Session – Red Kites & parents 1:45 – 3:15

**6th Oct** – Inspire Session – Buzzards & parents 9:15 – 10:45

**Sat 7<sup>th</sup> Oct** – Early Years Open Day – prospective new parents, 10am -12 noon

**16th Oct** – Inspire Session – Ospreys & parents 1:45 – 3:15

**18<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> Oct** – Residential, Dobroyd Castle

**23rd Oct** – Inspire Session – Eagles & parents 1:45 – 3:15

**24<sup>th</sup> Oct** – Immunisation Team Nasal Flu – R to Y6

**24<sup>th</sup> Oct** – Book Look – Whole school & parents 3:15 – 3:45

**25th Oct** – Tempest Individual School Photographs – 8am to 2:30pm

**26th Oct** – Parent Inclusion Workshop – Sleep & Healthy Lifestyle, 1:45 – 3:15pm

**26th Oct** – Halloween Disco – TTBC

**27th Oct** – Break Up for Half Term

## ★ *Star of the Week*

Owls ~ Jay M  
Kingfishers ~ Frankie W  
Hawks ~ Skyla W  
Kestrels ~ Penny M  
Harriers ~ Elsie F



Falcons ~ Connie G  
Buzzards ~ Ebony M  
Red Kites ~ Brooke B  
Ospreys ~ Robert F  
Eagles ~ Amien K

### **Golden Table 100% Weekly Attendance Winners for week ending 08.09.2023**

EYFS ~ Allegra B (Owls)

LKS2 ~ Alexandra T (Harriers)

KS1 ~ Elsie F (Buzzards)

UKS2 ~ Josh W (Red Kites)

Children chose a friend to sit with them and go in to dinners first on Monday. They had juice and a treat with their lunch.

**Attendance Winners w/e 15<sup>th</sup> September**  
**Class ~ Hawks ~ 98.89%**

