

8th December 2023

Dear Parents/Carers

It was wonderful to welcome so many parents/carers into school on Tuesday for our Christmas Fair. We really appreciate your support with this and it also meant a lot to the children who had worked extremely hard with their enterprise activities. I am pleased to announce that we raised an amazing **£800** for the PFA – all of which will be fed back into resources and experiences to directly benefit all children across school. Thank you for your continued support and we look forward to welcoming you into school again next week for our Christmas nativities and performances.

School Uniform

A polite reminder that at Ash Grove we expect all children to attend every day in their full school uniform and PE uniform on PE days. We celebrate children taking pride in their appearance and talk about how this helps to prepare them for later life. The uniform list is available on our website [Uniform - Ash Grove Primary Academy \(ipmat.co.uk\)](https://www.ipmat.co.uk). If children do not attend school in the correct, full uniform, parents will be contacted. We have a number of spare uniforms in school, so your child will be provided with the correct uniform to swap into for the day. If this continues to be an issue, then parents will be invited to meet with the Senior Leadership Team.

Lost Property

Please ensure you continue to add your child's name to their school uniform so that it can quickly be returned to them, should they misplace it. For any uniform found around the premises without a name, we will place this in our lost property area. The lost property area has moved location in school and is no longer accessible for everyone. Please speak to your child's class teacher if you need assistance with locating any items of lost uniform.

Christmas Concerts

We will be having our usual raffles next week at the concerts – winning numbers will be emailed and on the newsletter on Friday 15th Dec. Be Lucky!

Parent Workshop – Online Safety

Our next Parent Workshop will be held on 19th December, 1:45pm-3:00pm. This workshop on Online Safety will replace the previously planned date in November. The workshop is aimed at all parents, where we will share advice for keeping children of all ages safe when they are accessing devices – tablets, phones, laptops, Xbox etc. The workshop will be very informal and will also give parents the opportunity to share top tips, over a brew & biscuit.

This week's Picture News — **Volcano**, please log onto our website www.ashgroveprimaryacademy.co.uk and take a look at the assemblies page.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs K Gawthorp



Dates for your Diary

12th Dec – Owls Nativity – 9:30am (pm session children to attend am session)

12th Dec – Kingfishers Nativity – 2pm

13th Dec – Ospreys Class Assembly, 9:00 – 9:30am

13th Dec – KS1 Nativity, 10:15 – 11:15am

13th Dec – KS1 Nativity, 2:15 – 3:15pm



14th Dec – Sundown Adventureland Nursery Trip – **NURSERY CLOSED!**

14th Dec – KS2 Christmas Singalong, 3:00 – 4:30pm (hot chocolate available)

18th Dec – Owl's Christmas Party (am) (pm session children to attend am session)

18th Dec Kingfishers Christmas Party (pm)

18th Dec – Ospreys singing at Bennett Court, 1:30 – 2:30pm

19th Dec – KS1 Christmas Party, 1pm

19th Dec – Parent Workshop – online safety, 1:45 – 3:15pm

20th Dec – Christmas Dinner

20th Dec – LKS2 Christmas Party (pm)

21st Dec – UKS2 Christmas Party (pm)

22nd Dec – Carols at St Mary's Church – 9:30am

22nd Dec – Break up for Christmas Holidays, 3:15pm



★ Star of the Week

Owls ~ Eleanor O
Kingfishers ~ Albie H
Kestrels ~ James S
Hawks ~ Hallie W
Harriers ~ Liam M



Falcons ~ Alfie P
Buzzards ~ Skyla W
Red Kites ~ Joshua W
Ospreys ~ Brookelyn F
Eagles ~ Lexi S

Attendance Winners w/e 8th Dec

Class ~ Kestrels ~ 96.4%

Golden Table 100% Weekly Attendance Winners

Week Ending 01.12.2023

EYFS ~ Allegra B (Owls) KS1 ~ Oliver C (Harriers)

LKS2 ~ Alfie P (Falcons) UKS2 ~ Alfie-Jai S (Red Kites)



Christmas Concert Tickets



This year's concert tickets are FREE but will be limited – to save queuing you can send in your request for tickets with your child in a named envelope; please state child's name, number of tickets (see allowance below) and time of the performance for KS1. We will be holding a raffle over the concert periods to raise funds for the children. There will also be refreshments on sale. Please note the number on your concert ticket does not relate to a seat number this year – you can sit on any seat!

Owls - tickets will be available at the office from **Wed 29th November**.

(3 tickets per child in the first instance, Tues 12th Dec – Nursery Rhyme Nativity ~ 9:30am)



Kingfishers - tickets will be available at the office from **Thurs 30th November**.
(4 tickets per child in the first instance, Tues 12th Dec – Noisy Nativity ~ 2pm)



KS1 - (Kestrels, Hawks & Harriers) tickets will be available at the office from **Fri 1st December**.
(2 tickets per child in the first instance, Wed 13th Dec – Busy, Busy Bethlehem ~ 10:15am or 2:15pm)



*Tickets will be available until **Friday 8th December**, after which any remaining tickets will be given out on a first come first served basis. To avoid disappointment please get your tickets as soon as possible on or before Friday 8th December. **Remaining tickets will then be available from Monday 11th December**

