

15th December 2023

Dear Parents/Carers

What a wonderful time we have had in school this week with all of our Christmas nativities, performances, Ospreys class assembly and sing-a-longs. Thank you to all of the families who were able to join us for these events. It has been lovely to see our school community coming together to celebrate Christmas. I also want to extend my thanks to all of the staff and children, who have put in a great deal of time and effort to prepare for these fantastic events. As we approach the final week of term, I would just like to remind parents/carers of the importance of every child's attendance in school. Learning will continue to take place for the duration of next week and any absence from school is lost learning time. Thank you for your continued support with this.

School Uniform

Thank you for working with school to ensure children attend in their correct school uniform & PE uniform. We continue to celebrate children taking pride in their appearance and talk about how this helps to prepare them for later life. If children do not attend school in the correct, full uniform, parents will continue to 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. The uniform list is available on our website [Uniform - Ash Grove Primary Academy \(ipmat.co.uk\)](http://Uniform - Ash Grove Primary Academy (ipmat.co.uk)).

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.

Church Visit

On **Friday, 22nd December**, we will be taking children from Year 1 to Year 6 to St. Mary's Church for a Christmas celebration. For health & safety reasons, we will not be able to allow parents into the church, unless they are an agreed volunteer who has previously arranged with the class teacher to support with walking the children to and from school. Whilst we would like to invite all parents to as many events as possible, we appreciate your understanding on this matter.

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 — **Litter Picking**, 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

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

Nursery will then be CLOSED for pm session children (see Miss White)

18th Dec Kingfishers Christmas Party (pm)

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

19th Dec – KS1 Christmas Party, pm

19th Dec – Parent Workshop – Online Safety, 1:45 – 3pm, everyone welcome!

20th Dec – Christmas Dinner

20th Dec – LKS2 Christmas Party (pm)

21st Dec – UKS2 Christmas Party (pm)

22nd Dec – Carols at St Mary's Church – Y1 to Y6

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

8th Jan 24 – School re-opens



★ Star of the Week

Owls ~ Lennon G
Kingfishers ~ Theo H
Kestrels ~ Carina B
Hawks ~ Jameson W
Harriers ~ Ellie H



Falcons ~ Ingvar S-K
Buzzards ~ Tommy B
Red Kites ~ Elliott B
Ospreys ~ Cizzie M
Eagles ~ Bobby C

Attendance Winners w/e 15th Dec

Class ~ Owls ~ 97.06%

Golden Table 100% Weekly Attendance Winners

Week Ending 08.12.2023

EYFS ~ Alaska W (Kingfishers) KS1 ~ Teddie C (Hawks)

LKS2 ~ Zuzanna M (Buzzards) UKS2 ~ Robert F (Ospreys)

Winning Raffle Ticket Numbers – please collect prizes from the office!

	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th	6 th	7 th
AB 356858	51	496	491	556	266	221	306
AB 356858	52	497	492	557	267	222	307
AB 356858	53	498	493	558	268	223	308
AB 356858	54	499	494	559	269	224	309
AB 356858	55	500	495	560	270	225	310

	8 th	9 th	10 th	11 th	12 th	13 th	14 th	15 th
AB 492865	471	216	536	341	501	251	371	446
AB 492865	472	217	537	342	502	252	372	447
AB 492865	473	218	538	343	503	253	373	448
AB 492865	474	219	539	344	504	254	374	449
AB 492865	475	220	540	345	505	255	375	450