

Ashleigh News



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I hope you all had a restful and enjoyable half term break and are feeling refreshed for the exciting Spring 2 term ahead.

WORLD BOOK DAY

A reminder that we are celebrating World Book Day on Thursday, March 6th, with this year's theme: 'Reading for Pleasure'. To mark the occasion, we invite the children to come to school dressed as a character from a traditional tale or book. Alternatively, they can choose to wear pyjamas for a cosy, book-themed day!



In addition, we encourage children to design and create a bookmark at home. Prizes will be awarded for the best designs, with other prizes up for grabs throughout the day for various book-related activities.

It's sure to be a fun-filled day, sparking everyone's love for reading!

LET'S GO SING

On Wednesday 12th March our Year 3 children will be taking part in Let's Go Sing at Blackpool Winter Gardens. We have taken part in this before and it is always a wonderful concert.

The concert starts at 6.30pm and is expected to finish at 7.40pm.

Don't forget, tickets are on sale now! It would be wonderful if you could come along to support your child. It really will be a night to remember!



<https://www.wintergardensblackpool.co.uk/events/lets-go-sing/>



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YEAR 3 & 4 PRODUCTION OF PORRIDGE

Year 3 & 4 have been very busy rehearsing for their performance of Porridge. This will take place, in school, on Tuesday 1st April with performances at 2.00pm and 6.00pm.



A letter will be sent home soon enabling you to buy tickets for these performances, tickets are priced at £2.00 each. Proceeds will be split between school fund and a chosen charity.

Reception class Dental care with AP Smilestars

Reception class are participating in a supervised tooth brushing programme, in school, through AP Smilestars. Thanks to this programme taking place in a number of Primary schools, the percentage of 5-year olds with tooth decay has dropped by 16% over the last 6 years. Blackburn with Darwen had one of the highest rates of tooth decay in England. The organisation has thanked Ashleigh for our involvement and dedication in making a difference to the Children's oral health. Keep up the brushing!



Sports News

On Tuesday evening, Year 4 boys participated in the first round of a three-part football tournament at The BRIC, Blackburn Rovers. The boys played exceptionally well with the following results:

Game A: Ashleigh 1 - St. Paul's Feniscowles 2

Game B: Ashleigh 10 - St. James Lower Darwen 0

Game C: Ashleigh 2 - Salesbury 3

Great effort from all the players!



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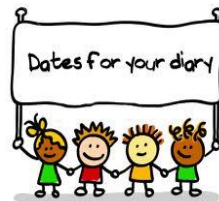
We would like to share the bittersweet news that Mrs Halsall, our dedicated Teaching Assistant, will be leaving Ashleigh Primary School to start a new chapter in her career. Mrs Halsall has been a valued part of our school family since September 2014, and her connection to Ashleigh goes beyond her role as a member of staff— She started here as a pupil in 1978, and both of her boys have also attended Ashleigh, so she's truly been part of the Ashleigh family for a long time!

Throughout her time with us, Mrs Halsall has shown exceptional commitment and dedication to the children, staff, and the entire school community. Her hard work, positivity and kind-hearted nature have had a lasting impact on many children, and we are incredibly thankful for the care and support she has provided over the years.

While we will miss her, we know she will bring the same passion and commitment to her new role. We would like to extend our sincere thanks to Mrs Halsall for all her hard work and dedication during her time at Ashleigh Primary School, and we wish her all the best in her new role.

Thank you, Mrs Halsall for everything you've done. You will always be part of the Ashleigh family!

Mr. Matthews and the entire Ashleigh Staff



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Reception Class visit to Pizza Express	Tuesday 4 th March	
Outdoor Learning - Year 6 Outdoor Learning - Year 5	Tuesday 4 th March	AM PM
Reception Class Vision screening	Thursday 6 th March	9.15am
World Book Day - Dress as a book character or in Pyjamas	Thursday 6 th March	
Bike Ability - Year 5 - (1 st Session)	Friday 7 th March	
Fire Fighters to visit Reception Class	Tuesday 11 th March	PM
Outdoor Learning - Year 4 Outdoor Learning - Year 3	Tuesday 11 th March	AM PM
Let's Go Sing Concert - Year 3	Wednesday 12 th March	PM
Police to visit Reception Class	Friday 14 th March	PM

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