



Diary Dates week commencing 07/09/26

Wednesday 9th September - Open Classroom - Years 1 3 4 5 6 from 3.30pm - 5.30pm

Friday 11th September - Year 2 Pirate Day - parents welcome to come for Open Classroom from 3.00pm (paper letter sent home with your child tonight)

Fridays 3 Maple swimming

Running Club is never on the last week of every half term***

*****Coding Club is never on the first Thursday of every half term*****

Message for Reception Parents re Open Classroom

Reception are not participating in the open classroom session on 9th September.

Parents will have the opportunity to visit the classrooms on :

Wednesday 16th September 5.30pm - Reception Welcome Talk – 5.30pm - 6.30pm

The Early Years staff invite you to discuss how we teach phonics and maths and how we will work together to support your child's learning and emotional needs.

There will be an opportunity to ask any questions about the year in Reception in general.

We respectfully ask that you do not bring children to this talk.

Best wishes,

The EYFS team

Diary Dates

Friday 11th September - Class 3 Maple swimming

Wednesday 16th September - Reception Welcome Talk 5.30 - 6.30 (see previous note)

Thursday 24th September - Friends of Ashlands Curry and Quiz in the school hall - 6.30pm to 9pm - £10.00 to include curry - All welcome - more details to follow

Wednesday 21st October to Friday 23rd October - Year 6 residential

Friends of Ashlands Dates for 2026

Dates to follow soon ...

This weeks messages from school

Welcome to all our new families throughout school.

We hope you and your child have enjoyed the first week at Ashlands.

If you have any questions at all please ask at the school office, we will be happy to help.

Curriculum Newsletters and optional homework grids have been sent out tonight and also posted on the class page of the school website.

If you need to take your child out of school during the school day please sign them out at the front office.

CoolMilk

Attached is information about milk in school, please ask at the school office if you need any help.

General Reminders

Remember to cancel School Dinner if off poorly

Remember to cancel your child's school dinner on SchoolGrid if they are off poorly. You have until 8.45am on the day of absence otherwise you will still be charged.

NO BIKES AND SCOOTERS ON THE PLAYGROUND

For the safety of all our children, parents and carers please can we remind you that children not allowed to ride bikes and scooters in the playground.

NUT/ SEED FREE AND KIWI

Please note we are a nut and seed free site.

This includes packed lunches, please remember no pesto / humous / Nutella and seeded bread. We have children in school with airborne as well as ingested allergies so this is very important.

Sickness and Diarrhea

Reminder - please return to school 48 hours after the last episode of sickness and diarrhea

Water Bottles in Classroom

Reminder - the children are welcome to have a water bottle in the classroom but this must contain water and not juice.

There is a water fountain in school to refill during the day.

Nursery and reception children do not require a water bottle.

Please remember to name all uniform, coats, etc.

Changes to Free School Meals from 1st September

Find attached a letter that was sent out in July regarding changes to Free School Meals (FSM) which came into effect on 1st September 2026.

From 1st September all children from households receiving Universal Credit will be entitled to a free school meal, regardless of household income, as long as you apply.

There are now 2 categories of FSM – targeted and expanded and the letter attached explains this.

There is no change for children in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2 who are eligible for a free school meal under the Universal Free School Meals Programme.

There is a link in the letter to check for eligibility and if you think you need any help please contact the school office.

Please find attached

MENU WEEK 1

SERVED W/C:

7th September, 28th September,
19th October

Hutchison

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Main Meal

OPTION 1

OPTION 2

Margherita pizza & oven baked wedges

Mixed bean bolognese with penne pasta

Vegetable sausages with roast potatoes & gravy

Pan-fried vegetable stir fry with carrot rice

Vegetable nuggets, chips & tomato ketchup

Pepperoni pizza & oven baked wedges

Beef & lentil bolognese with penne pasta

Roast gammon with roast potatoes & gravy

Creamy coconut chicken & chickpea curry with carrot rice

Fish fingers, chips & tomato ketchup

Broccoli

Carrots & peas

Carrot & cabbage

Broccoli & cauliflower

Baked beans

Ham, Cheese, Tuna mayo

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Cheese, Tuna mayo

Sandwiches

Sweet Treats

Lemon shortbread biscuit

Chocolate & banana brownie sponge

Apple strudel & custard

Baked apple & cinnamon sponge

Chocolate shortbread

Available Every Day – Crunchy colourful Salad Bar & Jacket Potatoes with Cheese, Beans, Tuna Mayonnaise or Cheese & Beans

KEY

Wholegrain

Nutritionist's Choice

Vegetarian

Vegan

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19th October

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Friday

Margherita pizza
& oven baked wedges

Mixed bean bolognese
with pasta
(may contain eggs)

Vegetable sausages with
roast potatoes & gravy

Pan-fried vegetable
stir fry with carrot rice

Vegetable Sausages, chips
& tomato ketchup

Roasted vegetable pizza
& oven baked wedges

Beef & lentil bolognese
with pasta
(may contain eggs)

Roast gammon with
roast potatoes & gravy

Creamy coconut chicken
curry with carrot rice

Fish & chips
with tomato ketchup

Broccoli

Carrots & peas

Carrot & cabbage

Broccoli & cauliflower

Baked beans

Lemon shortbread biscuit

Chocolate & banana
brownie sponge

Chocolate brownie

Baked apple & cinnamon
sponge

Chocolate shortbread

Available Every Day - Crunchy colourful Salad Bar & Jacket Potatoes with Vegan Cheese, Beans, Vegan Cheese & Beans
or Tuna with Vegan Mayonnaise

KEY

Vegan Nutritionist's Choice

50-50 White & Wholegrain Rice

Volunteers Needed

Running Club - 3.30pm to 4.14pm

Parent Volunteer Needed – Friday After School Running Club Reception - Year 2

We are looking for a parent volunteer to help run an after-school running club on Fridays 3:30pm - 4:15pm. A DBS check will be required.

This is a great opportunity to support the school, encourage children to stay active, and be involved in a fun and rewarding activity. The club will take place after school and will focus on having fun, confidence, and enjoyment of running.

If you are interested in helping or would like more information, please get in touch with the school office.
Your support would be greatly appreciated!

Reception, Years 1 and 2 need to be accompanied by an adult for Running Club.

Years 3 to 6 can sign up on Arbor
Running Club is not on the last Friday of every Half Term

Gardening Club

Gardening Club volunteers needed.

Are you free to help out on an occasional Friday 12.30-1pm?
We are looking for more parents and carers to help the children grow the school garden from September.

DBS checks will be needed via the office.
Please get in touch with Rosamund (07866611044) if you are interested.

PE Kit Days this Half Term

Monday - Year 3 , 4 and 5

Tuesday - Year 3 and Year 4

Wednesday - Year 2 , 5 and 6

Thursday - Reception

Thursday - Year 1 Forest School

Friday - Year 1- PE

Friday - Year 2 Willow Forest Schools (pm)

Music Lesson Days in School

Music Lessons start w/c 07.09

Tuesday - Guitar

Wednesday - Keyboard

Thursday - Drums, Woodwind, Strings, Piano

Thursday - KS2 - Recorder



Saplings

MOVIE NIGHT



Friday 11th
September



3.30pm-5.30pm
£13.00 including Ice Lollies
Booking closes on Arbor
Wednesday 15th @ 3.30pm prompt

Lunchtime Clubs

Le Club Francais French Club - Monday

French Club runs on a Monday at lunchtime and is open to Years 1 - 6.

Children enjoy our songs and activities & have a natural ear for languages.

12.00-12.30 Year 1 & 2

*1230-1300 French for KS2

Try a taster session in September before committing for the term

Sophie has been running the clubs at school for several years.

For further information, including how to sign up for a taster session in September, lesson times & costs, please contact sophie:

svpringle66@gmail.com

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Singing Club - Wednesday

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Gardening Club Friday @ 12.30pm

(please bring waterproof and wellies)

Lunchtime Clubs with Launchpad

Netball - Monday - Netball for Years 4 - 6

No need for any different clothing but please bring a pair of trainers

Football will continue every lunchtime, days are:

Monday Year 3 (PE Day already in kit)

Tuesday Year 4 (PE Day already in kit)

Wednesday Year 6 (PE Day already in kit)

Thursday Year 5 (will need to bring kit)

Friday Year 1 & 2 (PE Day already in kit)

The session takes place on the school field. Children will need to bring an additional pair of trainers as well as a pair of tracksuit bottoms in the muddier weather - no studs.

Gaming, games and puzzles club for KS2 (Years 3- 6).

The day for this is to be confirmed next week

Sessions are priced at £5 per session, payment and booking is direct with Launchpad. If your child is eligible for free school meals on economic grounds then you are eligible for a 33% reduction - If you indicate this on the link then LaunchPad will contact Ashlands to verify this.

The sign up link for all clubs is:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScLkVwIHlir1cvOG6_BAKVzFQ1YgV4sy2kuqubZLPxPE74aQ/viewform?usp=publish-editor

If you have any queries please email LaunchPad direct on:
launchpadfootballclub@gmail.com

These clubs will start next week