

## THIS WEEK'S DATES TO REMEMBER

**Curriculum  
Enrichment Week  
19<sup>th</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> May  
No clubs this week!**

### Monday 19<sup>th</sup> May

Falcon & Kestrels  
visit to The Tower  
of London

### Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> May

Eagles visit to  
Shakespeare's  
Globe, London  
Falcon Class Forest  
Schools AM  
Owls & Hawks  
Forest Schools PM

### Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup>

Owls & Hawks visit  
to Amberley  
Museum

### Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup>

Kestrel Class Forest  
Schools AM  
Eagles Class Forest  
Schools PM

### Friday 23<sup>rd</sup>

Achievement  
Assembly (3pm)

**Half-Term  
26<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> June**

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## Ashurst Wood School Newsletter

### Week 30 – 19<sup>th</sup> May 2025

Attendance this week: 97.45% 😊 😊  
Attendance from September 2024: 94.52%

## Polite Reminders & Notices

### Curriculum Enrichment Week – 19<sup>th</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> May

We have a number of workshops and events planned this coming week including our visits to London and Amberley Museum. If you have yet to give consent or make a contribution, we would appreciate receiving this as soon as possible – thank you.

#### *Tower of London Visit – 19<sup>th</sup> May:*

Please could the children in **Falcon and Kestrel** class be transported to East Grinstead Station on **Monday 19<sup>th</sup> May** at **08.50** where staff will meet and register the children. They are hoping to catch the **09.14** train from East Grinstead to London Bridge. The party are expected back at **16:50** and the children should be collected directly from the station. The children should wear school uniform and sensible walking shoes (e.g. trainers). Please ensure they bring a sun hat/cream or a waterproof coat depending on the weather. They will also require a packed lunch and plenty of water to drink. Please refer to the letter dated 24<sup>th</sup> March for further details.

#### *Shakespeare's Globe Visit – 20<sup>th</sup> May:*

Please could the children in **Eagle** class be transported to East Grinstead Station on **Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> May** at **08.50** where staff will meet and register the children. They are hoping to catch the **09.14** train from East Grinstead to London Bridge. The party are expected back at **16:20** and the children should be collected directly from the station. The children should wear school uniform and sensible walking shoes (e.g. trainers). Please ensure they bring a sun hat/cream or a waterproof coat depending on the weather. They will also require a packed lunch and plenty of water to drink. Please refer to the letter dated 24<sup>th</sup> March for further details.

#### *Amberley Museum Visit – 21<sup>st</sup> May:*

The children in **Owl and Hawk** class will be visiting Amberley Museum on **Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> May**. The coach will be departing promptly at **9am** and the children will return to school at **4.15pm** when they should be collected. The children should wear school uniform and sensible walking shoes (e.g. trainers). Please ensure they bring a sun hat/cream or a waterproof coat depending on the weather. They will also require a packed lunch and plenty of water to drink. If you have ordered a packed lunch from Chartwells, this will be provided. Please refer to the letter dated 24<sup>th</sup> March for further details.

### Forest Schools

Please note that Forest Schools is slightly different for Curriculum Enrichment Week and the date for each class are shown in the date's column.

### Clubs

Please can we remind you that there is no Karate or Football club this week.

### Burgess Hill Town Council – Wowzer Wednesdays

Wowzer Wednesdays are a staple in the Town Council holiday programme. With events in May half-term, the summer holidays and October half-term, there is always something for families to enjoy over the holiday period. Burgess Hill Town Council provides these FREE activities for the benefit of the community. Please see the following link: [Wowzer Wednesday - Burgess Hill Town Council](#)

## Meet your Governing Body

Hi, I'm Reverend Gater, or Jamie to my friends, and I'm delighted to be a governor at Ashurst Wood. Having committed to leading assembly at school every week, supporting the school as a governor is an extension of my support as the Vicar. I regard it as a huge privilege and, since I started in June of last year, I've loved getting to know the families, children and staff of our wonderful school.

Working in school comes very naturally to me as, before ordination, I was a primary school teacher, leading first on music, and then English in schools on the Sussex Coast. That commitment to education has continued as I'm now in the latter stages of my PhD, which is on the impact of vicars on church schools; if you're ever REALLY bored, ask me about it.

When I'm not being the vicar (which I do for half the week) or working for the Bishop at Church House (the other half of my week) I can be found supporting the Air Cadets in East Grinstead as their Chaplain, enjoying good music, exploring the Sussex countryside or doing my absolute favourite thing: just hanging out with my beautiful wife and our wonderful son. Do say hello if you see me out and about and thank you for making me and the family so welcome as we've moved to the area!



## This week's top Doodlers

**Doodle Math's:** Kestrels – Year 4 (78% of pupils in the green zone)

**Doodle Tables:** Falcons – Year 3 (24% of pupils in the green zone)

**Doodle English:** Kestrels - Year 4 (56% of pupils in the green zone)

**Doodle Spell:** Hawks (28% of pupils in the green zone)

## Ashurst Wood Summer Term

### W/C 19<sup>th</sup> May – Curriculum Enrichment Week:-

*Monday 19<sup>th</sup> – Kestrels and Falcons to Tower of London*

*Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> – Eagles to The Globe, London*

*Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> – Owls and Hawks to Amberley Museum*

*Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> – World Maths Day – details to follow*

W/C 26<sup>th</sup> May – Half Term Holiday

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June – Inset Day (school closed)

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> June – Y6 swimming commences – **details sent to Y6 parents (29<sup>th</sup> April)**

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> June – Y3 at The Big Sing – **details sent to Y3 parents (28<sup>th</sup> April)**

W/C 9<sup>th</sup> June – Y1 Phonics Screening

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> June – Parents Meeting for new Reception parents (5pm)

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> June – Sports Day

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> June – Reserve Sports Day

Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> June – Area Sports at Sackville School

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> June – Story time for new Reception children (9.45am to 10.15am)

Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> July – Story time for new Reception children (1.30pm to 2pm)

Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> to Friday 4<sup>th</sup> July – Y6 Sackville Transition Days

Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July – Y7 New Parents Meeting at Sackville School (6pm to 7pm)

Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> July – Y5 Taster Day at Sackville School (details to follow)

Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> July at 7pm – Lion King Performance - **new date added.**

Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> July – Lion King Performances (3.30pm and 7pm) – **please note later time for evening performance.**

Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> July – Ashurst Wood Transition Morning

Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> July – Year 6 Leavers' Assembly

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July – Term Ends at **1.30pm**

## Ashurst Wood Primary

### Summer Show

### Lion King Jr

Rehearsals will begin in earnest after half term, and we are delighted that we will be having **three** shows to enable everyone to attend. Please support the children and the school by encouraging friends and family to save the date and purchasing tickets when available.

We have an amazing group of parents and friends who have been making props and costumes ahead of the show (we could not do it without them). We still have some jobs to allocate if anyone is able to help.

### Show Dates & Times

Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> July at 7pm

Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> July at 3.30pm

*(KS1 can be collected at 3pm to enable them to attend the show)*

Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> July at 7pm

Logistical details for KS2 will follow next week.

We need volunteers to complete the following tasks.



| Task   | Skills and equipment needed.   |
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| Cut and sew 2 big elephant ears  | Hopefully fabric will be donated!<br>Ears need sewing at top so it can slide onto a pole like a curtain.               |
| Attach draped material to Lioness masks and add elastic for hands.                         | Hand sewing<br>Materials provided.   |
| Make 5 Grass Dancer Hats   | Materials and template will be provided.<br>You will need a glue gun.  |
| Make 2 White Bird Lady hats.   | Materials and instructions will be provided  |
| Make leopard print wrist and ankle cuffs   | Sewing by hand or machine.<br>material provided.   |
| Wrist cuffs for main part lions  | Sewing by hand or machine.<br>materials will be provided.  |
| Embellish Mufasa existing costume  | Sewing by hand or machine.<br>Materials provided   |
| Paint markings on the Cheetah costumes.  | Be able to paint on fabric.<br>Costume parts provided. Paint needs to be sourced.                                      |
| Lioness Masks to be painted with yellow base coat and then painted to look like lionesses. | Base coat yellow provided. Masks already made.<br>For painting to look like lionesses some artistic flair is required. |