



Ashurst Wood School Newsletter

23rd March 2026 (Week 25)

Our vision is for everyone to have a love of life, a love of learning and a love of people.

Be Curious Be Resilient Be Compassionate Be Respectful Be Ready Be Safe

Attendance this week: 95.42%

Attendance from September 2025: 96.81%

THIS WEEK'S DATES TO REMEMBER

Monday 23rd

Owls Class Easter Bonnet Parade (9am)
Year 2 to Year 6 Easter Cake Competition
Easter Cake Sale (3.20pm)
Football Club (3.20pm to 4.20pm) – **extra session**
Board Games Club (3.20pm to 4.20pm)

Tuesday 24th

KS1 Easter Service (1pm)
KS2 Easter Service (2pm)
No Year 1 Forest Schools due to services

Wednesday 25th

Reception Forest Schools (PM)
Football Club (3.20pm to 4.20pm)
Karate Club (3.25pm to 4.25pm)

Thursday 26th

Parent Forum (9am)
Easter Egg Hunt and Break for End of Term at **1.30pm**

Dear Families,

Thank you to all parents and carers for your thoughtful questions and helpful feedback regarding the school uniform. We truly appreciate the enthusiasm for the upcoming changes. Please do **not** place any uniform orders yet, as the new items will not be introduced until the summer term in preparation for September and there may still be some small adjustments made in light of the feedback we're receiving.

We are currently compiling a Question & Answer sheet, so if you have any queries or concerns, please contact the school office or pass them on through your class representative so they can be considered and responded to. We would also like to reiterate that the transition to the new uniform will be **gradual**, with children moving into the new items as they naturally outgrow their existing clothes. Our priority is to avoid placing any additional stress or financial pressure on our families.

We've recently introduced new hand signals and visual icons to help children recognise and understand our school values and behaviour rules. You may have seen these in action when attending consultation evenings. These simple gestures and images are already helping to embed

READY



RESPECTFUL



SAFE



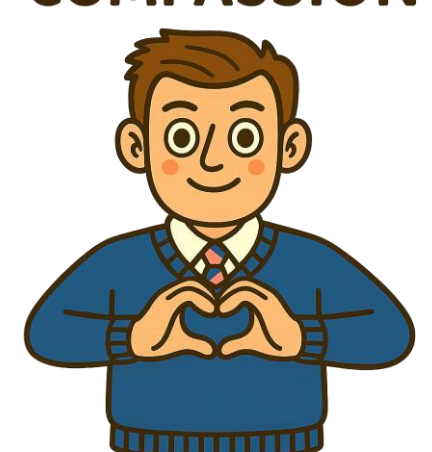
CURIOUS



RESILIENCE



COMPASSION



Top Doodlers

Doodle Maths Year 6: 50%
Doodle Tables Year 6: 13%

Doodle English Year 5: 47%
Doodle Spell Year 6: 13%

Polite Reminders and Notices

Easter Events

Please refer to the details to the right of this page.

Year 1 Forest Schools – Tuesday 24th March

Due to the Easter Services taking place on the afternoon of Tuesday 24th March, there will be no Year 1 Forest Schools.

Parent Forum – Thursday 26th March

We look forward to welcoming our parent reps to the meeting on Thursday 26th March at **9am**.

End of Term – Thursday 26th March

We break for the end of term at **1.30pm** on Thursday 26th March. We return to school on Monday 13th April.

Chartwells 'Back to School' Menu– Monday 13th April

The school will be on a 'back to school' menu on **Monday 13th April** (jacket potato with choice of toppings). Chartwells have asked us to advise that parents will need to re-order for the first day back. Thank you.

ACHIEVEMENTS

Year 3/4 Hockey Festival

On Wednesday 18th March, ten pupils from Year 3 and 4 took part in a Hockey Festival at East Grinstead Sports Club. The event aimed to introduce children to the sport and, as a festival, no rankings were awarded. Our pupils represented the school admirably and thoroughly enjoyed the morning. Thanks go to Mrs Ali-Hazell and Mrs Tjong for supervising the children at this event. Congratulations to Lina, Maisie, Henry, Bear, Thea, Millie, Rufus, Grayson, Halley and Amelia.

Rocksteady Music Concert

Thank you to all the families who joined us for the Rock Steady Music concert on Wednesday. It was wonderful to see so much support in the audience. Our young musicians gave fantastic performances, showing real confidence and clear progress since the last concert. We are incredibly proud of their hard work and growing talent. Well done to all the children who took part!

Easter Events

Monday 23rd March

Easter Bonnet Parade for Owl Class Children

Please send your child to school with a decorated bonnet or hat. At **9am**, the children, together with the preschool, will walk up and down School Lane to welcome the Easter season and show off their wonderful hats to the village.

Easter Cake Competition for Y2 to Y6 Children

There will be three prizes up for grabs, with the cakes being sold off at the end of the day to raise funds for the school. Please bring in your creations on the morning of **Monday 23rd March** for judging.

Tuesday 24th March

Easter Services at St Dunstan's Church

We will be holding two Easter Services:

KS1 at 1.00pm

(Owls Class need to wear their Easter Hats)

KS2 at 2.00pm

All parents are warmly welcome. We will also need help walking to and from the Church, so please let us know if you are able to support.

Thursday 26th March

On the last day of term. Our amazing PTFA will be organising a whole-school **Easter Egg Hunt**, which is always a highlight for the children before we break for the holidays at **1.30pm**.





THIS YEAR'S KEY DATES!

To help with organisation, below you will find key whole school dates for this term and outline dates for the remainder of the year to enable you to book time off to attend school events if you wish to do so. More details of specific events will be sent our closer to the time. If an event is in **red** it requires adult participation! There are more activities planned including PTFA events, but these are the key ones which need families to dedicate time to attend.

March 2026

Monday 23rd March - Easter Bonnet Parade (Owls Class)

Easter Cake Competition (Y2 to Y6)

Tuesday 24th March - Easter Service @ St Dunstan's. KS1 1pm / KS2 2pm

Thursday 26th March Last day of term (1.30pm finish) - Easter Egg Hunt

Friday 27th March - Inset Day

April 2026

Monday 13th April Term starts

Monday 13th – Friday 17th April - Science Week

Friday 17th April Kapla Club for whole school (funded by PTFA)

Monday 20th April Y6 to House of Parliament

Friday 24th April Non Uniform Day

Wednesday 29th April – Parent Workshop 'Supporting my Child to Emotionally Regulate'

May 2026

Monday 4th May May Day Bank Holiday

Friday 8th May Brownie Sale

Monday 11th - Thursday 14th May Y6 SATs week

Saturday 16th May Crazy Golf Day

Monday 18th – Friday 22nd May – Enrichment Week

Monday 25th to Friday 29th May - Half Term

June/July 2026

Y4 Multiplication tests

Monday 8th – Friday 12th June Y1 Phonics screening

Friday 5th June Rock paper Scissors Day

Monday 8th – Friday 12th June Y6 Bikeability

Friday 12th June Non Uniform Day

Friday 19th June Sports Day
Thursday 25th June Reserve Sports Day (Please note change of date from 26th)
Wednesday 24th June SEN Website Meeting (9am to 10.30am)

Yr 5 Sports Day at HET
Thursday 25th June Movie Night

Friday 26th June Donut Sale

Wednesday 1st – Friday 3rd July Sackville Y6 transition days (TBC)
Monday 6th July week SHOW Week

Tuesday 14th July Y6 Leavers Treat

Wednesday 15th July 2pm Rock Steady Concert
Thursday 16th July @ 2.45pm Leavers assembly Y6 parents and families only (Please note change of date from 17th)

Monday 20th July Last Day of term



[Link to School Lottery](#)

School Lottery

Support our amazing school *and* be in with a chance to win this month's exciting Super Draw prize — a Luxury City Break. We currently have just 13 supporters, so we'd love your help to boost that number. Every ticket sold helps fund extras that make a big difference to our children, from new library books to sensory and play resources. **Please spread the word to family and friends - every ticket helps, and every supporter counts!**



We have been running the school lottery for 6 years this month and in this time our wonderful supporters have raised £5000 which has directly benefitted the children in our school. Thank you .



The
Ashurst Wood
Great British Cake off is back!

Easter theme!



Monday 23rd March
cakes will be collected on the playground in
the morning

single large cakes and fairy cakes are all
welcome.

Prizes for key stage 1 and key stage 2
cakes to be sold after school

Good luck everybody, let's get baking!

Easter

CAKE COMPETITION

Entries due in Monday morning (23rd March).

Cakes will be sold after school in the playground.

