



Ashurst Wood School Newsletter

26th January 2026 (Week 18)

THIS WEEK'S DATES TO REMEMBER

Tuesday 27th

Y2 Forest Schools (PM)

Wednesday 28th

My Digital Child Workshop (2.30pm)
Reception Forest Schools (PM)

Thursday 29th

Y4 Forest Schools (PM)

Friday 30th

Y5 Forest Schools (PM)

No Achievement Assembly

KS1 Disco (3.30pm to 4.30pm)
KS2 Disco (4.45pm to 5.45pm)

Attendance this week: 95.79%
Attendance from September 2025: 97.06%

Thank you for all your support in improving our attendance and reducing the number of lost learning days.

Dear Families,

It has been a normal and settled week in school, with no snow, ice, or water outages – our first fully disruption-free week since returning in January!

Thank you to all parents who have taken the time to complete the uniform survey; we have received 45 responses so far, and it has been wonderful to see the thoughtful discussions this has generated across our parent community.

The survey closes on 30th January, and we are keen to hear from as many families as possible, so please do share your views if you haven't already.



Shout out to Mrs Bober

Bober is often seen working closely with individual children, providing thoughtful and nurturing support for learning both indoors and outdoors.

Whether she's teaching French in KS2, getting down on the floor supporting children in Owls Class, or offering calm encouragement just when it's needed, Mrs Bober brings energy, kindness, and positivity to everything she does.

Always smiley and full of enthusiasm, Mrs Bober makes a real difference to our children's learning and wellbeing every single day. We are incredibly lucky to have her as part of our team!

Please follow us on Instagram



Top Doodlers

Doodle Maths Year 5 59%
Doodle Tables Year 5 18 %

Doodle English Year 5 65%
Doodle Spell Year 4 23%

Polite Reminders and Notices

Parent Workshop 'My Digital Child'

Just a polite reminder that we will be hosting a parent workshop 'My Digital Child' on **Wednesday 28th January, commencing at 2.30pm** run by Paula Betsworth, Early Help and Mrs Blake-Hatton. A sign-up sheet is now available in the school reception area. Alternatively, please email the office and we will register you here.

Uniform Survey

Our School Council has been working hard over the last term to review our school uniform and gather pupils' views. We would now welcome parents' opinions on the current uniform, which has been in place since 2010 when the school transitioned from a green to a pink design.

Please take a few minutes to complete the survey, as your feedback is essential before any uniform changes are considered. The survey will remain open until **30th January**. Thank you for your support.

The link for the survey is: <https://forms.gle/QwojkuYJFJNXXX5Q6>

Polite Request – Children's Magazines for After-School Club

If you have any unwanted children's magazines at home, after-school club would be delighted to receive them. Please bring them along to the office. Thank you.

PTFA School Disco

The school Discos are taking place on **Friday 30th January**. The KS1 disco is from 3.30pm to 4.30pm and the KS2 is from 4.45pm to 5.45pm. Tickets are available from the PTFA shop. **Due to setting up the disco, there will be no achievement assembly on this date.**

<https://ashurst-wood-school-ptfa.sumup.link>

Chartwells 'Back to School' Menu – 23rd February

As we are on a 'back to school' menu after half term, Chartwells have asked us to advise parents that they will have to log in to ParentPay and reorder a meal for the first day back even if you have already placed an order for this date.

Church Choir

The choir at Church has seen wonderful growth over the last year, with a number of children joining as choristers. The choir currently has vacancies for children to join and develop their musical skill and ability. The choir sings fortnightly, and for special occasions, which families have told us is a really manageable commitment. If you'd like to know more, take a look at the attached flyer, or email revgater@gmail.com.

Upcoming PTFA Events

UV GLOW Disco!



FRIDAY 30TH JANUARY

KS1 - 3:30 to 4:30

KS2 - 4:45 to 5:45

Tickets £5 each. available at the PTFA shop



SCAN ME
for the PTFA shop





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 out 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.

January 2026

Wednesday 28th January –
Parent Workshop 'My Digital Child' (2.30pm)

Upcoming Parent Workshop
Wednesday 28th January
(2.30pm)
'My Digital Child'

Run by Paula Betsworth, Early Help and Mrs Blake-Hatton

A sign-up sheet is available in the School Reception area.

Join Our School Lottery!

This month, the school lottery has a bonus draw for £1,000 Aldi gift token alongside the usual chance to win cash. Remember, the more tickets we sell, the bigger the cash prize!

Please share with relatives and friends.

We're aiming for **60 tickets** and currently have **31**. So far this January we have raised £28.80 and with 31 tickets we are on track to raise £577.60.

Every ticket makes a Difference.

Thank you for your continued support!

[Your School Lottery - Online Fundraising for Schools and PTAs - Your School Lottery](#)

February 2026

Monday 9th – Friday 13th February
Arts Week

Monday 16th – Friday 20th February
Half term

Friday 27th February – Art Exhibition

Friday 13th February
Non Uniform Day

March 2026

Thursday 5th March World Book Day (Not a dressing up year)

Friday 6th March
Cookie Sale

Wednesday 11th March – Parent Workshop 'Healthy Friendships & Relationships (2.30pm)

Week commencing 16th March - Parent Consultations

Wednesday 18th March
2pm Rock Steady Concert

Monday 23rd March - Easter Bonnet Parade (Reception)

Easter Cake Competition (KS2)

Tuesday 24th March - Easter Service @ ST Dunstans. KS1 1pm / KS2 2pm

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

Friday 27th March – Inset Day

SUMMER 2026

Monday 13th April Term starts

Monday 13th – Friday 17th April Science Week

Friday 24th April
Non Uniform Day

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

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 1st – Friday 5th June
Y4 Multiplication tests

Monday 8th – Friday 12th June
Y1 Phonics screening

Friday 5th June
Rock paper Scissors Day

Friday 12th June
Non Uniform Day

Friday 19th June Sports Day
Friday 26th June Reserve Sports Day

Monday 8th – Friday 12th June
Y6 Bikeability

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

Wednesday 15th July
2pm Rock Steady Concert

Monday 20th July Last Day of term