



Ashurst Wood School Newsletter (Week 8)

3rd November 2025

THIS WEEK'S DATES TO REMEMBER

27th to 31st October – half term.

Monday 3rd
School commences

Tuesday 4th
Year 1 Forest School (PM)
Just Dance Club (3.20pm to 4.20pm) – last session

Wednesday 5th
Reception Forest Schools (PM)
Y5/6 Sports Hall Athletics (Y5/6) (3.30pm to 6pm)
Football Club (3.20pm to 4.20pm)
Karate Club (3.25pm to 4.25pm)

Thursday 6th
Year 3 Forest School (PM)

Friday 7th
Y6 Forest Schools (PM)
Achievement Assembly (3pm)

Attendance this week: 98.29% 😊
Attendance from September 2025: 97.57%

Dear Families

What a Week!

We've had another amazing week in school. I was lucky enough to visit our Year 6 pupils at PGL. They are an absolute credit to the school – enthusiastic, kind, and full of energy. It's been wonderful to see them having such a brilliant time and making lasting memories together.

I am really looking forward to seeing families at the Ashurst Wood Bonfire display this Saturday - it's always a fantastic community event. I hope everyone enjoys taking part in the Scarecrow Trail too!

A huge thank you to all the families who have created scarecrows, and especially to Hannah Metz for organising the event and putting together the trail.



A Huge Thank You to Mrs Pitcaithly!

I'd like to give a special shout-out to Mrs Pitcaithly for going above and beyond last weekend - giving up her Sunday to support our Cross-Country children. Her dedication and encouragement meant so much to the pupils and families, and we're incredibly grateful for her continued commitment to our school community. Thank you! 🌟

Polite Reminders and Notices

Just Dance Club (Tuesday 4th November)

The last session of Just Dance Club takes place on Tuesday 4th November. This is to make up for the postponed session on Tuesday 21st October.

Y5/Y6 Sports Hall Athletics (Wednesday 5th November)

Please could the selected children be collected from school at **3pm** and transported to Sackville School where Mr Gowers will meet you at the bottom entrance. The event takes place at 3.30pm for a warmup. The children will need to be collected from the same entrance at **6pm**. Please refer to the letter dated 14th October for further details. **Please ensure that all consent forms are returned to the school office no later than Monday 3rd November – thank you.**

PTFA Scarecrow Trail and Bag

The Ashurst Wood Scarecrow Trail is back from **26th October until 2nd November** and the theme is 'The Natural World'. Booklets will be available to buy for £1 each from the playground after praise assembly on Friday 24th October. Alternatively, you can buy them throughout the half term from Londis (formerly Nisa, formerly Loco), The Ashurst Wood News Store (opposite the Three Crowns), Allan Martin Meats butchers and Jon's Hairdressers.

We would also like to ensure that all parents are aware that the children have designed and made a school bag that features all of the children's fingerprints. You can buy this in the shop. <https://ashurst-wood-school-ptfa.sumupstore.com/>

Polite Reminder: Flu Vaccinations

If you wish your child to have the flu vaccination in school, please remember to sign up using the links on the NHS letters. The vaccination is taking place on **11th November**, and registration closes two days beforehand.

Winter Uniform

Please can you ensure that all children return after half term in winter uniform and bring a waterproof coat to school every day. Thank you. [Uniform | Ashurst Wood Primary School](#)

We hope you all have a wonderful a wonderful half-term break.

Achievements

Football Matches

The first boys matches of the season took place on Wednesday 22nd October and our Y5 team (Y6 were at PGL) played against The Meads and Estcots. Unfortunately, we lost both matches (7-0 to both The Meads and Estcots). However, all the children displayed resilience and determination against some very tough teams, who had their Y6 children playing.

Our thanks and congratulations for representing the school go to: Benji, Joshua, Jayden, Jacob, Samuel, Ayaan, Florence and Vienna. A special thank you to Florence and Vienna for stepping up and playing against the other all boys teams so that we did not have to forfeit these matches. We are extremely proud of all our children! Thank you to Mrs Davis also for supporting our team.

Long handles
natural cotton
full colour



New Canvas Bag

The children have all contributed to making a bag. The design is based on the handprint tree in the playground and the tree itself is from a new school vision image that is in early design stages. Each leaf of the tree is a fingerprint, so every child is represented.

We do have an example stock bag if anyone wanted to see/touch it.

<https://ashurst-wood-school-ptfa.sumupstore.com/>

The bags would make lovely keepsakes, very useful bags obviously and great Christmas presents. They are available for Pre-Order ONLY from the PTFA shop.

They will be available to order until 24/10/25.

Cost effective coral. Cut 1/2 inch toilet paper core. Glue one filter inside of the ring then one on the outside. It stands great and is beautiful.

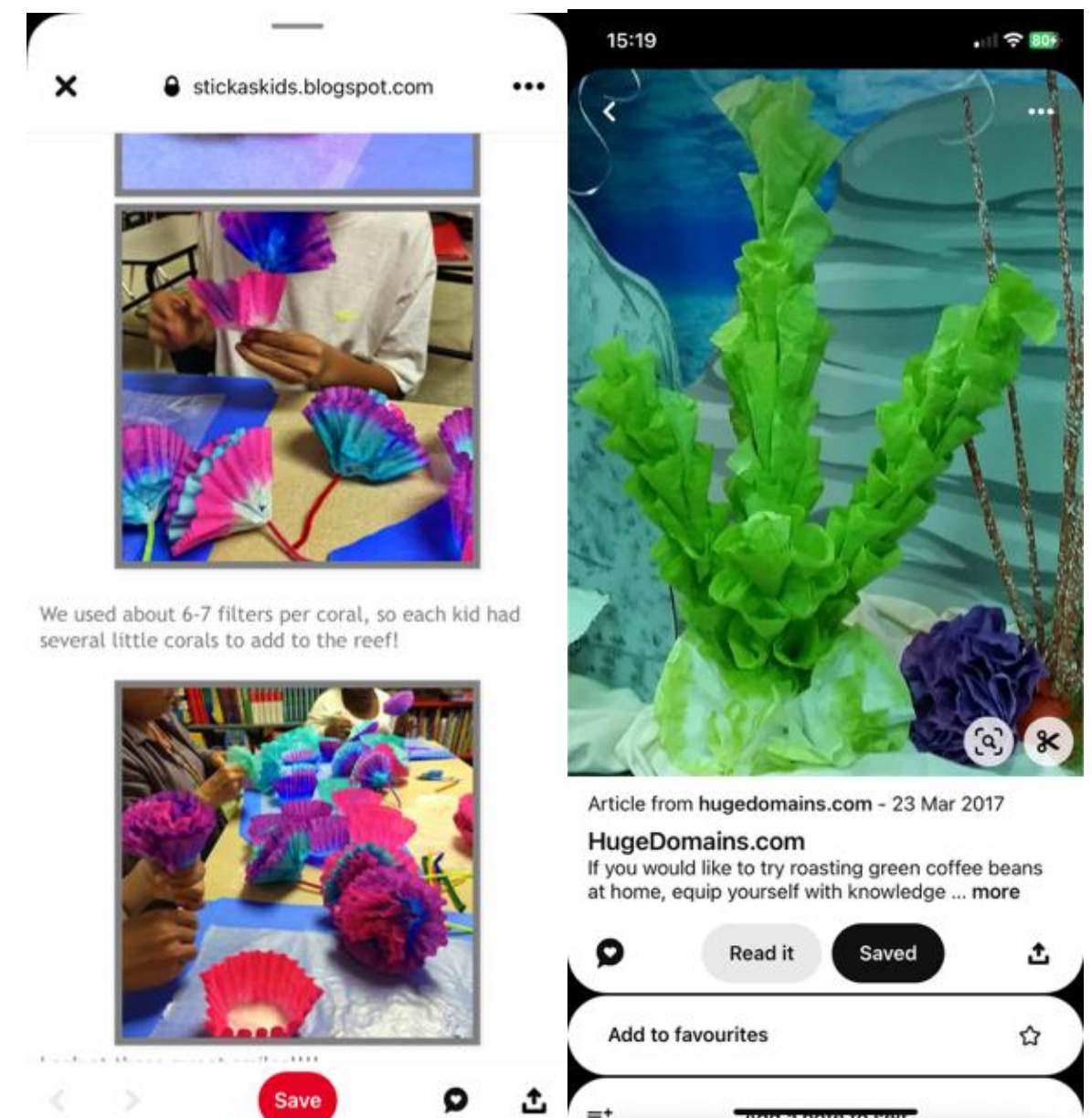


Weekly Craft Week 8- Coffee filter coral and seaweed.

Dye coffee filters using, ink, paint, water and felt tips or food colouring, then secure to look like different kinds of coral or seaweed.

There is another tutorial here <https://pin.it/1ozRWFZL9>

We would also like some green seaweed. Thread your green coffee filters onto a stick to create this one.



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OCTOBER

Half Term
Monday 27th to Friday 31st October

Top Doodlers

Doodle Maths Year 4 69%

Doodle English Year 4 69%

Doodle Tables Year 5 13%

Doodle Spell Year 3 21%

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.

NOVEMBER	DECEMBER	SPRING 2026	SUMMER 2026
Remembrance Day - Tuesday 11th November <i>Please join us at St Dunstan's Church at 10.30am for a short service followed by remembrance at the village memorial.</i> Week 10th November parent Consultations Tuesday 11th November – Flu Vaccinations (PM) Friday 21st Children in Need <i>The children on the school council will be planning fundraising events for this day.</i> Children have a pantomime (In school time) 24th – 28th Parliament Week Friday 28th Non-Uniform Day for a hamper donation.	Friday 5th Decoration afternoon <i>Book the afternoon to spend making Christmas decorations with your child. All family members are welcome. Then enjoy a drink and a cake in the hall at the Christmas Café while the children entertain you.</i> Wednesday 10th 2pm Rock Steady Concert Friday 12th Christmas Jumper day Elfridges pm Saturday 13th Christmas Crafts Day Monday 15th Chartwells Christmas Lunch Wednesday 17th KS1 Nativity OWL Class Thursday 18th KS1 Nativity HAWK CLASS (Afternoons) <i>We designate one day for each class but there is some flexibility if needed.</i> KS2 Carol Service (evening) KS2 Carol Service – Wednesday 17th December at Holy Trinity Church, Forest Row. <i>Start the Christmas season with this traditional evening and enjoy a mulled wine and mince pie. The event is open to all families and the community to attend.</i> Friday 19th Last day of term	Monday 5th First day of term Friday 23rd January – Non Uniform PJ Day 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 Thursday 5th March World Book Day (Not a dressing up year) Friday 6th March Cookie Sale Week 16th March parent Consultations Wednesday 18th March 2pm Rock Steady Concert Monday 23rd march Easter Bonett Parade (Reception) Easter Cake Competition (KS2) Tuesday 24th March. Easter Service @ ST Dunstans. KS1 1pm / KS2 2pm Thursday 26th March last day of term – Easter Egg hunt Friday 27th March INSET Day	Monday 13th April Term starts Monday 13th – Friday 17th April Science Week Friday 24th April Non Uniform Day 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