



Ashurst Wood School Newsletter

Week 1

8th September 2025



THIS WEEK'S DATES TO REMEMBER

Meet the teachers

Wednesday 10th September

Owl Class – **3.30 – 4.15**

Hawk Class – **4.15 – 5.00**

Thursday 11th September

Falcon Class – **3.30 – 4.15**

(Osprey Meet the teacher is the following week)

Wednesday 17th September

Osprey Class – **3.30 – 4.30**

Please follow
us on
Instagram



We have a photo book of the Lion King available to order from next week on MCAS. The cost is £10. If you would like to have a look at the book before you place an order, please ask at the school office.

Welcome back,

We hope you all had a wonderful summer and the children are fully refreshed. We would like to take this opportunity to welcome all our new families and children to the school.

We are very excited about this academic year and all of the opportunities we have planned for the children. We would just like to outline a few administrative procedures for our existing and new families.

PE and Forest School Days

On the following days your children need to attend school in their PE kit. (For some weeks you will be notified that it is a Forest School session on the same day in which case they will need Forest School kit, dates to follow):-

Key Stage 1

Tuesday and Thursdays

(Reception will be having Forest Schools every Wednesday)

Falcons

Wednesday and Monday

Osprey

Wednesday and Friday

Meet the teachers

We will be hosting 'meet the teacher' afternoons w/c 8th September as below. This will give parents an opportunity to meet their child's class teacher and ask any questions they may have regarding the new academic year:-

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Celebration Assemblies

These will start on Friday 12th September and all parents and family members are welcome. We ask that if you have a pre-school child who is not able to sit quietly then you step into the corridor so that it does not interrupt the assembly. The assembly will be held at **3pm** every Friday unless notified of a change. This is an opportunity to celebrate children's achievements both in and outside school. If your child has an achievement that they would like to share, please bring any associated certificates, trophies, medals etc into the school office on Friday morning.

Attendance this week: %
Attendance from September 2025: %

The Summers Top Doodlers

Doodle Math's: Osprey – Year 5 (19% of pupils in the green zone)

Doodle Tables: Osprey – Year 5 (13% of pupils in the green zone)

Doodle English: Year 5 (19% of pupils in the green zone)

Doodle Spell: Falcons Year 4 (11% of pupils in the green zone)

Polite Reminders & Notices

Mobile Phones (Action Required)

Due to the issues caused by mobile phones over the last few years, particularly when children use WhatsApp groups, mobile phones are not allowed in school. If you feel your child needs a mobile phone as they are staying overnight with their other parent or a sleepover, the mobile phone must be handed into the school office by an associated adult. If mobile phones are found on the school premises they will be confiscated and the parent will be requested to come and collect the phone. We appreciate your support with this matter – thank you.

Safeguarding - Regular Pick Ups (Action Required)

To assist us with safeguarding, please can you advise the member of staff on duty in the morning if your child is going home with another parent/adult. If you have someone else who regularly collects your child from school (i.e. childminder, grandparent etc.), please can you email the school office so that we can record this in our collection book. Please note that we will not let a child go home with another adult until we have heard from you, so to avoid staff having to make unnecessary telephone calls please do let us know. Thank you.



Summer Performance Weekly Crafts

In order to create the most spectacular scenery for this years summer performance, we are going to need everyone’s help. Each week we will set a different craft for any families that would like to join in.

Not only will this mean we have an amazing stage set, but it will mean that everyone in the school community will be part of the production. We know not everyone will be able to or want to do them all, that’s ok, but please do join in whenever you can. There is no weekly deadline, please just bring in to school once you have finished.

Between us we are hopefully going to create some fantastic unwater coral reef displays like this.



In order to prepare, below is the full list of resources that will need over the next 6 months if you wanted to join in with every craft on the list, we thought advance notice would help so that you can keep an eye out for supplies, save things in advance, recycle, look out for or buy if you would like to.

You will need

Bright coloured paints of any kind	Tiny white ketchup paper cups	Garden sticks	Colourful spray paint
Wooden kitchen skewers or sticks	Polystyrene packing peanuts	Colourful craft papers	Mesh - Fabric
Colourful pipe cleaners	Garden Wire	Colourful craft card	Glue
Cotton Buds	Coffee filters	Spindly twigs from the garden	Cocktail sticks
Polystyrene balls or just chunks of foam	Dye, ink, food colouring or water paint	Bright coloured Felt, stuffing, needle and thread	Colourful pool noodles
Colourful cupcake cases	Plastic bottle tops and colourful plastic bottles	Thick Amazon packing paper	Small Paper cups
Colourful Tissue paper	Toilet /Kitchen rolls, wrapping paper tubes	Colourful plastic drink bottles	Colourful plastic straws
Shower puff/ louffer/ frilly scrubby things in bright colours	Egg cartons	Any other resources you think will work	Most items can be purchased cheaply online

Week 1- Sea Anemones and coral

This week we would like everyone to make us some of these out of brightly coloured pipe cleaners. Poke the pipe cleaners into foam or polystyrene ball, or just a chunk of polystyrene.

Please bring in your creations once complete.





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.

SEPTEMBER

Meet the teacher meetings

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Friday 19th Jeans for Genes Day



OCTOBER

Thursday 9th Break the rules day
Friday 10th INSET Day

Friday 17th STAR BOOKS Café *This event is for all families. Come and join us at the Star Books café and enjoy sharing books with your child, meeting the other parents and enjoying a cup of tea and a biscuit. **CAKE SALE** after school*

Harvest Festival
Tuesday 14th October 2.30pm @ St Dunstons

Monday 20th – Friday 24th
Year 6 at PGL

Saturday 25th
Village Bonfire Night

Monday 27th
HALF TERM

NOVEMBER

Remembrance Day - Tuesday 11th November *Please join us at St Dunstan's Church at 10.30am for a short service followed by remembrance at the village memorial.*

Friday 21st Children in Need *The children on the school council will be planning fundraising events for this day.*

Children have a pantomime (In school time)

24th – 28th Parliament Week

Friday 28th Non-Uniform Day for a hamper donation

DECEMBER

Friday 5th Decoration afternoon
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.

Friday 12th Christmas Jumper day
Elfdridges pm

Saturday 13th Christmas Crafts Day

Wednesday 17th **KS1 Nativity OWL Class**
Thursday 18th **KS1 Nativity HAWK CLASS (Afternoons)**

We designate one day for each class but there is some flexibility if needed.

KS2 Carol Service (evening) **KS2** Carol Service - Tuesday 17th December at Holy Trinity Church, Forest Row. *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.*

Friday 19th Last day of term

SPRING 2026

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

Monday 23rd march Easter Bonett Parade (Reception)

Easter Cake Competition (KS2)

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

Thursday 26th March last day of term – 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

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 (TBC)

Monday 20th July Last Day of term