



# Ashdon Primary School

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# Newsletter

## 23rd May 2024

## Magic Multi-Sports Moments

Molly's words of encouragement really made the younger pupils show off their tenacity.

Jake, Steven and Arthur were sensitive to the younger pupils' needs and made sure that they adapted the activities for everyone to be able to take part and have fun.

Leaya might not always talk a lot, but she certainly knows how to clearly explain games when she leads these.

March was thinking on his feet, adapting the game to support the younger children from Class 1!

Cecily showed so much kindness and patients by explaining the activities to the younger pupils.

When it comes to being patient, everyone can learn a lesson from Steven as he showed such a lot of patience with our younger pupils.

Joshua, Max and Finlay explained the games they led so well that all the pupils knew immediately what they had to do.

Jake showed kindness to every pupil taking part in the activity he led.

Adam and Alex made sure they showed their great sportsmanship by encouraging the younger pupils to take part in the games.

Nia and Tiffany should definitely think of becoming 'professional encouragers' as they were really amazing

Teamwork makes the dream work! This is definitely what Tanatswa and Alfie showed everyone!

Jack and Humphrey showed off what they have learned during the Autumn Term, during their cricket lessons, by showing younger pupils how to hold the cricket bat properly!

Not only did Nancy, Izabela and Leaya work incredibly well together, they also adapted the various activities.

Along with that, they also applauded all the pupils for doing a great job taking part in the activities. They definitely ticked the box for 'showing enthusiasm'.

Rosie showed the younger pupils exactly how to take part in the games and made sure that she encouraged them all the time.





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## The Ashdon meteorite:

*The meteorite hit Ashdon on march 9<sup>th</sup> 1923, 101 years ago!! The meteorite was actually witnessed falling by a thatcher named Fredrick Pratt. He was working in a wheat field when he heard a `sizzling` sound and when he looked up he saw `the earth fly up like water`*

*The meteorite hit that hard that Fredrick found it two feet deep in the ground. Later a person brought the meteorite and donated it to the natural history museum where it was later investigated.*



*The natural history museum found out that it contained :*

*Minerals*

*Feldspar*

*Pyroxene*

*Olivine*

*White specks of nickel-iron and other minerals that the solar system had formed 4.5 billion years ago.*

*The Ashdon meteorite is 12cm x 9cm x 6cm in size and it weighs 1.27 kg. when it landed it actually weighed 1.3 kg but two pieces were chipped off for microscopic examination. Also the example of it in the suffron Walden museum is a plaster cast of the real thing and it was made in 1926 using the real meteorite.*



**Pupils from Class 2 are learning about their environment in Geography this term. They went for a walk around Ashdon and wrote interesting facts about the various things that they have seen on this exploratory walk.**

**Mrs. Jarman shared with the children about the meteorite that hit Ashdon on 9th March 1923! 101 years ago! Some pupils even made it their homework to go and find out about where the meteorite landed and even went to see this at the museum! Wow!!**



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## Reception 2024-2025!

It is with great excitement that we welcome the New Reception pupils and their families in joining us at Ashdon Primary School. We are incredibly grateful for parents and carers trusting us to look after and educate their child. We will do our utmost to live up to not just your expectations but also our own high expectations, in attempting to provide your child with the education and development that they deserve.

Even though we have communicated the below through a letter last week, we also thought it useful to publish a reminder of these events in our weekly newsletter. We are looking forward to seeing you very soon for our Summer Stay and Play sessions; Come Dine With Me lunch; Reception Parents' Information sessions as well as our Coffee and Cakes hour with some of our Governors and PTA. Please see the dates below for the events this Summer Term.

### Stay and Play Sessions:

~~7th May @ 13:30-15:15~~

~~22nd May @ 10:00-12:00~~

4th June @ 10:30-11:30

### Come Dine With Me Lunch:

~~22nd May @ 12:00-12:30~~

### Reception Parent Information Sessions:

~~22nd May @ 10:00-11:00~~

~~22nd May @ 17:00-18:00~~

### Coffee and Cake with our Governors and PTA:

~~22nd May @ 11:00-12:00~~

## Important Dates & Notices:

- Tuesday 4th June - Start of Summer term 2, Stay and Play session @ 10:30
- Week of 10th June - Mathematics Times Tables Check for Year 4 pupils
- Week of the 10th June - Phonics Screening Check for Year 1 and some Year 2 pupils
- Tuesday 18th June - Sports Day (parents are invited to attend the afternoon events)  
More details to be sent out after the half term holidays.
- Wednesday 19th June - Bridging Lesson in school for Year 6s - taught by a secondary English teacher
- Monday 24th June - Thursday 27th June - Year 5 & 6 Residential @ Hautbois Activity Centre
- Friday 28th June - SWCHS Transition Day for those Year 6 pupils attending SWCHS from September 2024
- Friday 12th July - End of Year Reports to go home
- Wednesday 17th July - 'Porridge' End of Year Performance @ 14:00 and @ 18:30
- Thursday 18th July - 'Porridge' End of Year Performance @ 18:30
- Friday 19th July - Leavers Assembly @ 09:30
- Friday 19th July - Summer School Disco @ 15:30-17:00

### Parents and Carers' Annual School Survey:

I have already sent all parents and carers a letter regarding the survey. I would really like for all our parents and carers to please complete the survey via 'Microsoft Forms' by 7th June. I will send a few reminders up until the 7th June also. I will put the QR code/link in next week's newsletter, as well as on the website for everyone to have access. For those who would like a paper copy, you are more than welcome to collect this from the front office. Please return it to our admin staff as soon as you have completed it.

Here is the link and QR code to the survey:

<https://forms.office.com/e/3mXdPX3h0G>

Parents/Carers Annual Survey



Please feel free to have a look at the term dates with the teacher inset dates for 2024-2025. The Governors and Essex County Council have both approved these and we are now allowed to publish them!

**IMPORTANT NOTICE**

## School Meal Payments

We are asking all parents to please double check their Scopay accounts and ensure that enough funds are available to cover the cost of your child/children's meals. You can also add an alarm/reminder on Scopay to ensure that you are reminded to update your account before it goes into a negative amount.

## Attendance Winners

First Place: Class 3 (99.2%)

Second Place: Class 2 (98.2%)

Third Place: Class 1 (94.3)

Congratulations Class 3; you can have an extra 10 minutes playtime the next Friday we're in school.

Well done!