



# Ashton Hayes Primary School News

ASPIRE TO BE AMAZING! April 2021

And so we find ourselves at the end of yet another term like no other!

It seems like we have only just got back into school, setting good routines and getting down to business. We are so proud of the way that the children have returned to school, working hard to support each other and getting used to being around other people again. The children have been fabulous and have clearly missed each other. As the sun starts to come out, with spring in the air, there is a real feeling of hope and excitement around school. We are really looking forward to the exciting challenges of the summer term when we return again on the 19th April.

Have a wonderful Easter!



## House of Dance

This week we have had a great time working with House of Dance. Each class has had a session learning a routine and having lots of energetic fun! There is still time to sign up to the KS2 after school club run by House of Dance.

## Easter Assembly

A huge 'thank you' to Reverend Weston and Mrs Papworth who joined us outside for a lovely Easter assembly this week. It was so lovely to be able to get together outside as a whole school hearing the same messages and sharing wonderful stories again.



National Day of reflection—Last week we marked 1 year since the first national lock down by joining in the National Day of reflection. We had a special assembly, shared lots of memories and hopes for the future. Each child picked and took home a daffodil to focus their reflection.

**Uniform**— As the weather is improving, it is great to see the children in their summer uniform. Can we also remind you to put on sun cream in the morning when the forecast is good. A good quality, day long application would be best, but failing that, children may keep a named bottle of sun cream in their tray which they may apply themselves before going out at lunchtime. We will not be able to help them with this and children will not be able to share. Please also send in a sun hat as we plan to use our outdoor spaces a lot over the coming term.

**School Meals**— Please continue to order your child's meals on Parentpay in advance of the day. If your child is having a packed lunch, you do not need to log on or select anything. Also, please do not select a 'dietary meal' unless you have informed us of specific allergies or dietary requirements on your pupil data collection sheet. It would also be great if you can talk through the meal choices with your child in advance, so that they can be prepared.

**Extra Curricular Clubs**—Clubs will begin after the Spring Break holidays. Please refer to letters sent on the 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> March for information about how to book a place on each one. If your children usually attend Ashton House Club, please let them know. We hope to be able to offer more clubs in the Autumn term, particularly for KS1 Children.

**Parent's Evenings**—Thank you all for signing up to our remote Parent's Evening. Following the feedback from the last Parents' Evenings we have decided to use Zoom again. In the first week after the holidays you will receive the Zoom link. Please make sure you are in the waiting room 5 minutes before your time slot. You will be admitted punctually by the teacher and therefore will also have to leave the meeting right on time. If more time is needed we will arrange a follow up call.



A Thank you...

This week was a special birthday for the wonderful Mrs Salt—our site maintenance officer. She is such an important part of our school community keeping everywhere safe and clean. She would like me to pass on her thanks to all who contributed to her birthday gift. She was absolutely overwhelmed by the generosity. We managed to get her M&S vouchers and an iPad!





New Bikes—Kestrels, (and many of the staff) are thrilled with their new and interesting bikes that have arrived. They are challenging in all sorts of ways! A huge thank you must go to the Ashton Hayes WI for their kind donation and to Mrs McGrath for tirelessly fundraising in these difficult times!



Chopstick challenges in Owl Class.

Beautiful presentation in Buzzard Class



Day of reflection daffodils

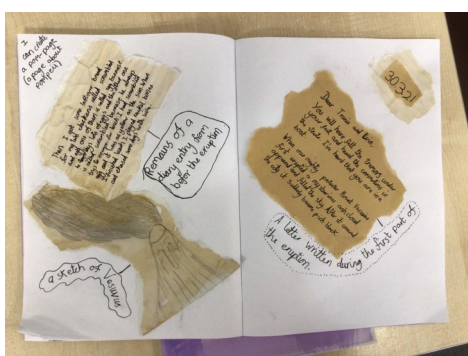
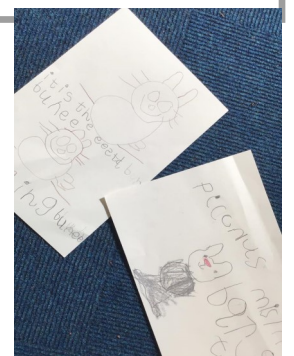


Play equipment—The children have loved returning to school to play on the new play equipment that has been installed around the Daily Mile track. There is something for everyone, adding a new physical challenge into playtimes.

Place Value outdoors in Sparrowhawk Class.



Searching for clues and making posters with Kestrel Class.



Lovely Pom-pages in Peregrine Class.



Forest School reflection journey sticks.