



Ashgrove Primary School Newtownabbey

Our Weekly Newsletter

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Rights Respecting Schools

Article 20 (children unable to live with their family)

"If a child cannot be looked after by their immediate family, the Government must give them special protection and assistance. This includes making sure the child has alternative care that is continuous."

In school we have a very clear Safeguarding & Child Protection Policy. We actively promote safeguarding messages throughout the school in a language which child can understand. Safeguarding our pupils is of paramount concern to us in school.



We are very excited in school about our upcoming school musical- Grease! Rehearsals are now well underway, roles shared with children, props being gathered and much more happening behind the scenes!

Performances for parents and invited guests will take place on Wednesday 24th and Thursday 25th May...

TICKETS WILL GO ON SALE AFTER EASTER.

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Learning, Caring, Growing Stronger Together

Thank you!

We would like to mention a huge THANK YOU to those parents who so kindly helped us to gather wooden pallets. Mr Douglas is now busily working to make these in to a Mud Kitchen for our Outdoor Play area for Primary 1&2. Once this is finished we will include some pictures in our Newsletter!

Easter Holidays

School will close for the Easter break on **FRIDAY 7TH APRIL at 12.00pm**- there will be NO lunches served. School will recommence for the Summer term on Monday 24th April at the usual time. Please remember that a full list of our Holiday Dates is easily available on our website. A Holiday List for the next academic year was included in our Newsletter a couple of weeks ago.

Healthy Break Tuck Shop!

As a reminder, we have a Healthy Tuck Shop available for pupils from **P1-P4 on Tuesday and Friday** of each week. The cost of the Healthy Break is only 30p per child per day. A menu for the week ahead is always included on the Canteen Menu in our Newsletter.

If you wish your child to try the Healthy Break Tuck Shop all monies must be sent to school on Monday mornings- this helps our Cook to order enough food for everyone.

PLEASE SEND IN THE CORRECT CHANGE IN A LABELED ENVELOPE INDICATING WHICH DAY OR DAYS YOUR CHILD IS TO HAVE THE HEALTHY BREAK, THANK YOU!

Policy updates & Consultations...

Mrs Carberry and I are working to update the following policies in school and they will be ready for your consultation before Easter:

- Smoke Free Policy
- Healthy Eating Policy

These Policies will be updated in line with our ethos of Rights Respecting Schools. I would encourage parents and carers to read these policies on our website, and if you wish, offer us your insight and feedback.



PTA Break the Rules Day!

Today in school a few of our School Rules were broken- but all for a worthy cause!
Pupils had the chance to break one or more of the following Rules...

1. Healthy Break- Eat what you like for break!
2. School Uniform- Wear your own clothes to school!
3. Friday Test- NO Friday test!
4. Move seats- sit where you like in class!

We have included some photographs of the day below...



How do the PTA use monies raised?

We would like to thank our parents for their continued and generous support with our PTA. The money raised through PTA events help us to buy additional resources for all our children. With thanks to your help we have just bought a new Interactive Whiteboard in Primary 2! Mrs Cartmill and the P2 boys and girls are **SO EXCITED** and can't wait for this to be installed. In addition to this, the PTA have also bought 21 ipads for school.. we couldn't have done this without the hard work of the PTA and of course your generosity.



Stars of the Week

Celebrating Positive Behaviour

Our focus this week was: EXCELLENT NUMERACY		
Primary 1 Miss Morrison <i>Maja Sztochel</i>	Primary 1 Miss McLaughlin <i>Jacob Douglas</i>	Primary 2 Miss McDowell <i>Mikolaj Palejko</i>
Primary 2 Mrs Cartmill <i>Logan McCullough</i>	Primary 3 Mrs Douglas <i>Peter Murphy</i>	Primary 3 MissCrozier/Manion <i>Jack Winchester</i>
Primary 4 Mrs Torrie <i>Cara Randell</i>	Primary 4 Mr Hutcheson <i>Aaron Knott</i>	Primary 5 Mrs Luney LUKE HUNTER
Primary 5 Mrs Carberry <i>Hollie Millar</i>	Primary 6 Mrs Ewing <i>Dylan Lyndsay</i>	Primary 6 Mr Morrow <i>Olivia Ferris</i>
Primary 7 Mr Agnew <i>Owen McCrory</i>	Primary 7 Miss Taylor <i>Jamie Bill</i>	Next week our focus is ENDEAVOUR

Happy Birthday to...

*Jayden Fenton, Zack Pierce, Ben Harrison, Shay Mulligan
Cody McKee*

Mr Hutcheson!



School Dinner Menu (£2.55 per day)

Monday 20th March

Fish Fillet, Peas, Chips, Mashed Potatoes & Tomato Sauce

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Ice-Cream, Jelly & Fruit

Tuesday 21st March

Chicken Nuggets, Beans, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy **OR** Salmon Cakes, Beans & Mashed Potatoes

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Egg Sponge Flan, Fruit & Custard

Wednesday 22nd March

Roast Chicken, Carrot, Parsnip, Oven Roast & Mashed Potatoes & Gravy

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Biscuit, Fruit & Strawberry Milkshake

Thursday 23rd March

Chicken Curry, Boiled Rice, Broccoli & Naan Bread

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Carrot Cake, Custard & Fruit

Friday 24th March

RED NOSE DAY SPECIAL

Pepperoni Pizza, Sweetcorn, Chips & Tomato Sauce **OR** 2 Fish Fillet Shapes, Sweetcorn, Chips & Tomato Sauce

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Red Nose Cupcake & a Glass of Milk

Wrap & Fresh Fruit

HEALTHY BREAK

P1-4, 30p per day

Tuesday: Toast, Red Apple & Cucumber

Friday: Crusty Bread, Orange & Pepper

(AFTER EASTER OUR HEALTHY BREAK TUCK SHOP WILL BE EXTENDED TO INCLUDE P5!)

UNICEF- Mix it Up Day!

On **TUESDAY 28th MARCH** Mrs Carberry & the Rights Respecting School's Steering Group has organised a **MIX IT UP DAY!** Children can wear weird and wonderful combinations of clothing- odd socks, odd shoes,



odd hair do's etc! We ask pupils who are taking part to donate £1.00. The money raised will go towards the Save the Children Charity- **"Send my Friend to School"** which sponsors a child of our choice in a third world country to receive an education. We will get regular updates on them and the progress they make.

