

# Welcome to Ashby C.E Primary School



*Journey of Joy*

Friendship, Forgiveness, Compassion, Wisdom, Trust, Endurance

# Aims of this Evening

- \* Share important basic information about starting school
- \* Meet the staff
- \* Ask any questions

# Staffing

- \* Teaching staff: Mrs Randon, Mrs Hughes & Mrs Lane
- \* Support staff: Mrs Thorogood, Mrs Myatt
- \* Outdoor Learning & Forest School Lead: Mrs Murray
- \* Office Staff: Mrs Sewell, Mrs Ella, Mrs Burton

# EYFS

- \* From 3-5
- \* Reception year
- \* 7 areas of learning
- \* **Prime Areas:** Communication and Language, Physical Development, Personal, Social and Emotional Development
- \* **Specific Areas:** Literacy, Mathematics, Understanding of the World, Expressive Arts and Design
- \* **Characteristics of Learning:** Playing and Exploring, Active Learning, Creating and Thinking Critically

# Read, Write Inc.

- \* Literacy
- \* Phonic based
- \* Differentiated groups
- \* Start with learning all letters phonetically
- \* RWI workshop early in school year

# Staggered Start

- \* Individual timetables – Book Bags
- \* Smaller ratio to ease transition from pre-school
- \* Open Day

| <b>TIMETABLE ONE</b>              |                              |
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|                                   |                              |
| Tuesday 29 <sup>th</sup> August   | Morning Session              |
| Wednesday 30 <sup>th</sup> August | Morning Session              |
| Thursday 31 <sup>st</sup> August  | Afternoon Session            |
| Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> September  | Afternoon Session            |
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| Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> September  | Open Day                     |
| Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> September | Full time begins 8:45 – 3:15 |

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# Transition Sessions



New Starter Sessions (with parents)

Session 1 – Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> June 1:15 pm - 2:00 pm

Session 2 - Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> July 1:15 pm – 2:00 pm

Forest School – Leaflet

Two sessions – Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June: 9.00 am - 10.15 am

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> July: 9.00 am - 10.15 am

Summer Fair – Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June 3:30 pm – 5:00 pm



# Attendance

- \* We expect all children in school every day except if they are unwell.
- \* Direct correlation between good attendance and attainment
- \* Develops the understanding that school is important and education is to be valued
- \* Helps children maintain relationships with peer
- \* Head Teachers are no longer able to grant leave for holidays during term time, except in exceptional circumstances
- \* Attendance Policy on website

## In the case of illness

- \* Ring school on first day of absence
- \* If you don't ring us – we will text you!
- \* If we don't hear from you by lunch time we will ring you.
- \* 48 hours clear from any sickness and diarrhoea

# Punctuality

- \* It is very important that your child arrives at school on time.
- \* **School gates open from 8:40**
- \* **Foundation children go straight into EYFS building**
- \* **School day starts at 8:45**
- \* Gets the day off to a good start – during morning registration often take the children through what is happening that day
- \* Lessons start straight after registration
- \* Punctuality leads to good attendance

# ARE YOU ENTITLED TO FREE SCHOOL MEALS? (Pupil Premium)

- \* Benefits – small group time, support with paying for trips, Free School Meal, Breakfast / ACE Club etc.
- \* 2 Year funding – not automatically transferred
- \* Information on School website

<https://www.ashbyce.leics.sch.uk/free-school-meals>

- \* Speak to staff after meeting

**Notes section - for parents**

You can use the space here to write down the information you need to find out if you can register your child for Free School Meals (FSM)

My full name

Date of birth

My National Insurance Number

or National Asylum Support Service (NASS) Number

My child's name

My child's date of birth

You can make a call yourself to find out if you can register your child for FSM or ask your child's school to help you do this.

You can call the free school meals team on any of the following numbers:  
0116 305 6588  
0116 305 7093  
0116 305 2740

**Frequently asked questions:**

I cannot find my National Insurance number. What do I do?  
Call the National Insurance Enquiries helpline on 0300 200 3500.

Will the Pupil Premium (PP) affect my benefits?  
No, if your child receives the PP it will not affect any benefits you may be entitled to.

How can I ensure the school gets the extra Pupil Premium funding for my child?  
You need to find out first if you can register your child for Free School Meals (FSM). You can do this a few months before your child starts school. It is important to register your child for FSM, even if you are going to send a packed lunch with them every day.

Does my child automatically qualify for FSM if they have older brothers/sisters in school who are already registered?  
No, you need to register each child.

I need help to make contact with the Free School Meals team. What do you suggest I do?  
Your child's teachers in school can answer any questions you may have about the PP and FSM. They will be able to find someone to support you with the registration process.

**Don't let your child miss out!**

**The Pupil Premium information for parents**

Did you know that extra money could be available to help your child's learning and development?

It's quick and easy to find out if you can claim for your child.

# School Uniform

- \* Named
- \* Black school shoes ONLY please – no laces
- \* Book bag, water bottle every day
- \* No jewellery ideally – earrings studs only
- \* Parents to provide micro pore tape to cover ear rings for PE
- \* Wellies
- \* PE kit – PE days TBC
- \* PTA - Nearly New Uniform Sale

# Snacks

- \* Piece of fruit or Fruit Winder/ Bear YoYo
- \* Milk – register with [www.coolmilk.com](http://www.coolmilk.com) – free until 5<sup>th</sup> birthday
- \* Water to drink throughout day in class

# Dinner Time

- \* All children in Foundation Stage are eligible for a free school meal.
- \* Healthy packed lunch – no fizzy drinks, sweets , pure chocolate etc. **NO NUTS!**

# Homework

- \* Reading – a little each day
- \* Flashcards
- \* RWI related tasks
- \* Formation Books

# Independence

- \* Recognising their own name
- \* Independent toileting
- \* Zipping up coat
- \* Dressing, undressing, buttons and folding
- \* Hearing initial sounds
- \* Counting - rote and objects
- \* Chatting – opportunities for them to speak and explain
- \* Reading stories



# Contact Details

- \* Please keep your contact details up to date – in case of emergency
- \* Complete collection form and keep up to date
- \* If person collecting is not on the collection list – ring school

# Communication

- \* Check school website <http://www.ashbyce.leics.sch.uk> – (Policies, Pupil Premium, Curriculum, Term Dates, letters etc.)  
Year Groups – Foundation Stage – Curriculum Newsletters
- \* Fortnightly Head Teachers' Newsletter – diary dates
- \* Emails
- \* Facebook
- \* Text reminders – try not to do this

# Breakfast & ACE Club

- \* **Breakfast Club** – (Breakfast included for children arriving before 8:05)  
Early Start 7:30 – 8:50 - £6  
7:50 – 8:50 - £5
- \* **After School Club – ‘ACE Club’**  
3:15 – 4:30 - £5  
Late Stay 3:15 – 5:30 - £7.50
- \* Accept payment by childcare vouchers inc. the [Government Tax free scheme](#)
- \* Start to book children in from Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> September.

# Parent pay

- \* No cash or cheques to be sent into school for any payment to school – we are a cashless school.
- \* School Trips & Residentials /school dinners (Y3 upwards)/Breakfast/ACE Club/swimming lessons etc.
- \* Password and simple log on details will be sent home at the start of the new school year.
- \* Booking Breakfast Club & ACE Club - Bookings made up to 1 full day before the day of the session (eg: a Friday booking can be made no later than Wednesday).

<https://www.ashbyce.leics.sch.uk/clubs/breakfast-club>

<https://www.ashbyce.leics.sch.uk/clubs/ace-club-after-school-care->

# PTA

- \* Helen Pownall (Chair)
- \* Organise fundraising events – Xmas/Summer Fair, School Discos, Chocolate Bingo,
- \* Big Projects - Peace Garden, Library development, Playground Development
- \* Special little extras - Theatre Groups, Bookbags for New Starters, Xmas Parties & Presents, Magician
- \* Ashby C of E Primary School PTA group on Facebook
- \* Everybody welcome – give as much or as little time as you can
- \* [PTA1@ashbyce.leics.sch.uk](mailto:PTA1@ashbyce.leics.sch.uk)

# Any Questions / Concerns

- \* Please speak with us after the meeting
- \* Open door – working together
- \* Only quick messages in the morning
- \* After school each day
- \* Opportunities throughout the year for formal and informal conversations about your child
- \* Termly Open Classroom Events