

## Ashgrove Primary School

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# Newsletter

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**“Say cheese”**

**“Wensleydale!”**

Last week we had a visit from the famous Wallace and Gromit. Contrary to popular opinion this piece of floral art was not stolen from the council but allowed to go on tour. **“Crackin!”**

**In recent weeks the governors, members of staff, PTA and the majority of our parents have become extremely concerned about the danger of a child getting knocked down at the Ashgrove Road or inside the school gate. It has therefore been decided that from 4 November only staff cars and delivery vehicles will have access to the grounds.**

### Introduction to On-line Safety

There will be a parents meeting in the school hall at 7pm on Wednesday 12 November at which Constable Brian Herron will outline some of the many dangers that children can face when using the internet. Constable Herron will offer practical advice on how best to ensure the safety and happiness of our children on-line. See flyer for details.



## Reminder of Exceptional Closures

Please note that the dates for teacher training have now been decided:

6 February  
2 and 3 April  
21 and 22 May

## Term Time Holidays

Please note that whenever a child is withdrawn from school for a holiday during term time it is our policy to provide only basic suggestions about the work that a child will miss, e.g. reading, spellings or number facts.

## Harvest Thanksgiving Service

Many thanks to all those who helped make this year's harvest such a success. As well as performances by the children the event enabled Ashgrove to deliver gifts of fruit, vegetables, flowers and groceries to many of the elderly and sick in the area.

## School Photographs

The photographer will be in school on Monday 27 October. He will be available to take family groups from 8:45am.

## Keeping Fit?

Looking for something to do during the dark winter evenings? The ladies of Ashgrove Keep Fit Club are looking for new members and extend a warm invitation to any interested lady between 7:30pm and 8:30pm each Monday night.



## Parent Interviews

Parent interviews for P1-6 have been moved back to 13 and 17 November this year. There will be an early lunch on these days and all children will finish school at 12:30pm.

## Half-term Disco

A good crowd of children turned out last night for the PTA disco. In keeping with tradition many of the children enjoyed dressing up for the night.

## Ballygowan Water Fitness Energy

You will have received information already about this fund-raising fitness day to be held on 28 October. It was decided to run this event instead of asking for donations to our school fund. Please help your child to find suitable, generous sponsors and make this a huge success as we aim to purchase two more interactive whiteboards this year.

