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Newsletter

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Support with Medication Needs

By now you should have received our policy on supporting children with medication needs and a number of parents have already called into school to complete the appropriate paperwork. I would, however, remind you of one significant change:

If you wish your child to carry an asthma inhaler or other medication for self-administration, you must complete a form with the principal.

Questionnaire Results

Last term parents were invited to give us feedback on the service that we provide. The response was very encouraging, with 116 replies representing 74% of our 159 families. Once again the vast majority of comments were positive, with a number of useful comments being offered for consideration. A summary is enclosed.

Poppy Appeal

As usual, poppies will be available during the first week back after the half-term break, 2 – 6 November.

Harvest



By now you should have received details of our Harvest Services on Wednesday 28 October.

I hope someone from each family can join us in supporting the children.

Life Education Centre

A meeting for parents of all our children (P1 – P7) will be held in St Mary's PS this Wednesday, 14 October from 7pm – 8pm. It offers a useful follow-up to the week of sessions for children on personal and social development provided by the Life Education Centre last week. I would be grateful for a good crowd of Ashgrove parents.

Contributions to School Fund

School fund contributions of £20 per family are welcome at any time. Once again this year all money will go towards the purchase of interactive whiteboards.

A reminder will be sent in November.

Road Safety

I would be grateful if you would please remind all childminders, grandparents and friends that **no vehicles should be brought into the school grounds** other than by staff and delivery personnel. This applies at all times of the day, including at the end of clubs. Thanks.

PTA Half-Term Discos

Our autumn PTA discos will be held on 5 November – Guy Fawke's night. Tickets cost £1.00 and are available from Mr Graham.

P1-2 children: 6:30pm until 7:15pm.

P3-4 children: 7:30pm until 8:15pm.

P5-7 children: 8:30pm until 9:30pm.

Fancy dress is optional, but class prizes will be awarded in Primaries 1 - 4.



A tuck shop will be available for all as well as tea and coffee for the adults.

Half-Term Holiday - Reminder

The school will close for the half-term break on Wednesday, 28 October, at:

P1	12:30
P2	14:00
P3, P4, P5, P6 & P7	14:50

I wish you all an enjoyable break and look forward to the children's safe return at 08:55 on Monday 2 November.

Canteen Menu Changes

Tuesday 27 October: £2.20

**Roast Chicken, Carrots and Parsnip
Roast Potato, Creamed Potato
Creamed Rice & Fruit
Milk, Bread and Fruit**

Wednesday 27 October: £2.20

Hallowe'en Special

**BBQ Chicken Drumstick
Spaghetti Numbers & Oven Chips
Hallowe'en Cookie
Glass of Orange
Milk, Bread and Fruit**

Payment for all meals on the Monday

Toffee Apples and Chocolate Apples
available 26-28 October at 45p

Crossing Patrol

Sam Bremmer has now retired from his position as school crossing patrolman at the junction of the Burnthill and Carnmoney Roads. Sam was always friendly and energetic in his commitment to the children's safety and we wish him all the best for a long and well-earned rest. If you get the chance please give his replacement, Jim Galbraith, a friendly Ashgrove welcome.

Advance warning: there will be no crossing patrol at this junction on Friday 27 November. Please make alternative arrangements to ensure that your child reaches school safely.