



Ashgrove Primary School Newtownabbey

Our Weekly Newsletter

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Rights Respecting Schools

Article 5

"Governments must respect the rights and responsibilities of parents and carers to provide guidance and direction to their child as they grow up so that they can fully enjoy their rights."

In School, as children get increasingly older, we encourage them to develop increasing capacity to make their own informed choices. We encourage our pupils to see the links between their choices and outcomes.

Welcome back!

I hope everyone enjoyed their Half Term break- it is good to see all our pupils back safe and sound. This promises to be a very busy Half Term to Christmas, on the next page we have included a list of diary dates and times- please take note of these!

Open Night- Thursday 16th November, 6.30pm

Our Open Night for new and prospective parents and children is on **Thursday 16th November, 6.30 pm**. We already have a very healthy number of pre-enrolment forms for Primary 1 for September 2018. **Please note ALL CHILDREN WILL GO HOME AT 1.30 PM ON THURSDAY 16TH NOVEMBER.**

If you have a child who is due to start school in September, or know someone with a child of compulsory school age let them know about our OPEN NIGHT- find our more information on our website and later in our Newsletter!

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Dates for your Diary...

Date	Event
Saturday 11 th November	AQE 1
Tuesday 14 th November	BOOK FAIR THIS WEEK! Sustrans Treasure Hunt in school
Wednesday 15 th November	BOOK FAIR THIS WEEK!
Thursday 16 th November	ALL CHILDREN GO HOME AT 1.30 PM OPEN NIGHT 6.30 – 8.45 pm
Friday 17 th November	BOOK FAIR THIS WEEK! Local MP visiting Ashgrove Primary to speak with the School Councillors...
Monday 20 th November	UNICEF Day for Change
Friday 24 th November	Dairy Council visiting Primary 5
Saturday 25 th November	AQE 2
Thursday 30 th November	PTA CHRISTMAS FAIR
Friday 1 st December	Diabetes UK Award Assembly
Saturday 2 nd December	AQE 3
Tuesday 5 th December	Primary 7 Annual Reviews – Mrs Doherty will write to you if you need to attend
Wednesday 6 th December	P5-7 to MAC to see Christmas Pantomime
Friday 8 th December	Key Stage 1 Nativity Dress Rehearsal
Saturday 9 th December	PTA Breakfast with Santa
Monday 11 th December	OPEN NIGHT, ASHGROVE NURSERY
Tuesday 12 th December	Nativity 9.30 am and 11.15 am
Wednesday 13 th December	Nativity 9.30 am Children's Christmas Dinner
Friday 15 th December	P5-7 Carol Service in school
Tuesday 19 th December	OPEN DAY 9.30 am & 11.30 am
Wednesday 20 th December	Magic George to Primary1 & 2 Sustrans Santa Hat walk to school
Thursday 21 st December	12.00 PM FINISH for CHRISTMAS



**Come & join our
Ashgrove family!**



ASHGROVE PRIMARY SCHOOL OPEN NIGHT

For New Primary 1's and prospective pupils

Thursday 16th November

6.30 – 8.45 pm

Principal's address 6.40 pm

'Learning, Caring, Growing Stronger Together'

Come and see why we achieve such outstanding results

**Sign up for a personal tour of the school on
Tuesday 19th December**

Enrolment forms available

www.ashgroveprimary.com

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Book Fair

The Scholastic Book Fair will be in school from **TUESDAY 14th to FRIDAY 17th NOVEMBER**. There will be hundreds of titles for you to choose from so there's sure to be something for everyone. Our school can earn **FREE BOOKS** for every book sold making this a great opportunity to help us replenish library stock. Parents can come on **TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY and FRIDAY 1.30 – 3.30 pm** to have a look.



We are also running a **READING COMPETITION**... simply send in a photograph of your child reading a book in an unusual place – you can print these & send them to Mrs Luney by **Thursday 16th November** or alternatively email to info@ashgroveps.newtownabbey.ni.sch.uk

GOOD LUCK!

Cash for Clobber

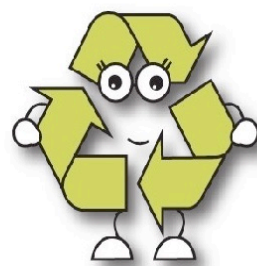
Thank you for sending items for our Cash for Clobber appeal. The first collection of items is on **MONDAY 13th NOVEMBER** – there is still some time this weekend to send in unwanted clothing items.

CASH FOR CLOBBER

Clothing Recycling.

The easy way to generate **cash** for your School.

we weigh. we pay.



Poppy Appeal...

Poppies have been on sale in school this week. Our Primary 7 Head Boy and Girl have been a great in selling these. Thank you all for your help in supporting the Royal British Legion.

Yoga for Primary 6 & 7 pupils

The classes are organized by the PTA and are **FREE OF CHARGE!** The classes will take place on **FRIDAY** afternoons from 3.00 pm starting on Friday 17th November. All you need to do is to book a space for your child through the following link: www.pta-events.co.uk/ashgrove.



PTA, Breakfast with Santa

TICKETS GO ON SALE FROM 1.00 PM, SATURDAY 11TH NOVEMBER.



Guess whos dropping in?
Ashgrove Primary PTA presents:
Breakfast with Santa!
Ticket includes pancake breakfast and drink,
Christmas themed activities
and of course some quality time
with the main man of the season.
This is a Santa experience not to be missed
and includes a gift for every child. ★
£8 per person or £30 family ticket
(2A + 2K or 1A+3K).
Tickets available from
www.pta-events.co.uk/ashgrove
Saturday 9th December
At 10am (doors open at 9.30am)

First Transfer Test 2017

Our Primary 7 pupils will be sitting the first of 3 transfer tests tomorrow at a school of their choice. We wish them all the best of luck and will be keeping them in our thoughts tomorrow morning.

Get plenty of sleep tonight and a healthy breakfast tomorrow morning and remember to arrive in plenty of time!



School Dinner Menu, £2.60 per day

VEGETARIAN OPTIONS ARE AVAILABLE EACH DAY

<p><u>Monday 13th November</u> Beef Burger, Baked Beans, Chips, Mashed Potatoes & Tomatoes Sauce ~ Yoghurt & Fruit</p>	<p><u>Tuesday 14th November</u> Buffet 2 Sandwiches, 1 chicken Goujon, 1 Pizza, Carrot Sticks & Salad ~ Jam Sponge, Custard & Fruit</p>
<p><u>Wednesday 15th November</u> Roast Chicken, Carrots, Roast & Mashed Potatoes & Gravy ~ Chocolate Steamed Sponge & Custard</p>	<p><u>Thursday 16th November</u> Chicken Curry, Boiled Rice, Mixed Vegetables ~ Strawberry Mousse & Fruit</p>
<p><u>Friday 17th November</u> Breaded Salmon Cake, Sweetcorn & Mashed Potatoes OR Lasagne, Sweetcorn & Crusty Bread ~ Biscuit, Fruit & Strawberry Milkshake</p>	<p>HEALTHY BREAK 30p per day Tuesday: Toast, Green Apple & Celery Friday: Crusty Bread, Melon & Carrot</p>

Pastoral Care Awards

The Department of Education, in partnership with the Public Health Agency, is seeking examples of outstanding pastoral care in schools.

The Awards recognise school communities that have demonstrated exceptional co-operative effort in supporting the pastoral care of pupils and their families in the past 18 months.

The closing date is **FRIDAY 15TH DECEMBER 2017** and communities are being urged to nominate now. Schools cannot self-nominate but parents or others in the wider school community can nominate a school that has provided exceptional pastoral care.

Applications should be made by no later than 15th December 2017 using the online form available at www.education-ni.gov.uk/articles/derrytrasna-award-pastoral-care

