



# Ashgrove Primary School Newtownabbey

## Our Weekly Newsletter

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### Rights Respecting Schools

Article 29 (children from minority or indigenous groups)

*"Every child has the right to learn and use the language, customs and religion of their family, whether or not these are shared with the majority of people in the country where they live"*

One of our key strengths in Ashgrove is that we celebrate the range of cultures our families come from. Diversity is a key strength of our school, this helps our pupils grow up developing tolerance and respect to everyone in our society.

### Sports Day 2019

**We were fortunate with the weather for our Junior Sports Day – thank you to all the parents and family members who came along to support us and cheer us along.**

Unfortunately, we were not so lucky with the Senior Sports Day which was postponed to **Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June** – the same times apply, let's hope the weather for our rescheduled Sports Day is more favourable.

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## P1&2 Sports Day 2019



# Diary Dates for June 2019

Please see below for a list of important dates for your diary...

Date	Event
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June	P3 Shared Education Celebration Day
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> June	Mamma Mia Dress Rehearsal
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> June	Mamma Mia! (all children go home @ 12.30pm) performance at 6.30pm
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> June	Mamma Mia! (all children go home @ 12.30pm) performance at 6.30pm
Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> June	P6 to Ganaway, Millisle Steve Dodds – P7 Moving on Up!
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> June	P6 to Ganaway, Millisle Steve Dodds – P7 Moving on Up!
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> June	P6 return from Ganaway, Millisle P7 Class Transition Programme Ski trip payment 3 due
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> June	PTA Summer Fair P7 Shared Education Celebration Day
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> June	P7 BBQ
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> June	P7 to Edinburgh Board of Governors Meeting
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> June	P7 to Edinburgh
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> June	P7 to Edinburgh New P1 pupils visiting school
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> June	P7 return from Edinburgh New P1 pupils visiting school P6 to Glengormley High for Maths Master Class
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> June	Leavers Assembly, 9.45am
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> June	Ashgrove PS to SENTINUS NI finals
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> June	12.00pm finish for Summer

## Early home time next week...

As a reminder, pupils will go home at the earlier time of **12.30pm on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> June.** This is to allow staff time to prepare and set up for our school production of Mamma Mia! Lunches will still be served before children go home... There will be NO AFTER SCHOOL PROVISION these days- please make alternative arrangements.

There will be after school NO French Club on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> June.

PLAYSPORT is NOT on next week, but will resume the week commencing Monday 10<sup>th</sup> June!





## P6 to Ganaway, Millisle...

On **Monday 10th June** our P6 pupils will visit Ganaway (Millisle) – this is an overnight residential and we will return to Ashgrove on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> June. Mrs Ewing and Mr Morrow have already sent home a number of Ganway Newsletters and reminders informing parents what children need.

Mrs Ewing has prepared a final Ganaway note to parents

We hope our P6 pupils have an amazing time and make lots of great memories!

## Induction for New P1 pupils...

Thank you to all our new mums and dads who came along to our parent induction yesterday. We are excited to welcome our new to pupils to our Ashgrove family for their induction afternoon on **Wednesday 19th & Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> June.**

## PTA Summer Fair

Our PTA Summer Fair is on **Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> June**... the PTA will send home more information about the event very soon! We need donations of items and volunteers for stalls – Mrs Flaherty will be in touch with you very soon asking for your support.

## Leavers Assembly

As a reminder our Leavers Assembly is on **Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June, 9.45am.** This is a very special occasion in school especially for our outgoing P7 pupils who we hope are leaving us with many fond and happy memories. Parents, Grandparents etc are all very welcome to come along and help us give our Leavers a good send off!

## Mamma Mia

Rehearsals for Mamma Mia are progressing very well and this show promises to be a real treat for everyone attending! As a reminder, the performances are on **Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> & Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> June, 6.30pm.** We ask that pupils taking part in the performances are in school for 6.00pm.

**Tickets for the show are selling fast- if you want a ticket, please go online to school money and book for a day of your choice. If you would like more than 3 tickets, please ring Kerrie or Tracey in the Office and they will be happy to help!**





Parents & Carers

## Mamma Mia!

Our school production of Mamma Mia is due to take place on...

- ★ Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> June, 6.30pm; and
- ★ Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> June, 6.30pm

Initially we are able to offer up to three tickets per child for a day of your choice. Understandably, space in the Hall and therefore the number of seats is restricted. Please note, tickets will be allocated on a first come, first served basis. **Tickets cost £5.00 each**, all monies raised go towards resources and props for the productions. The cast is made up mostly of P6&7 children and the Senior Choir.

Tickets should be bought online via SchoolMoney and will be allocated on a first come first served basis, so please be prompt to avoid disappointment.

Once tickets are purchased online, they will be sent home with your child.

As a reminder, to help staff set up and prepare for the show, all children will go home at the earlier time of 12.30pm on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> & Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> June.

Kind regards

R Smith  
Principal



## Primary 7 to Edinburgh

Mrs Flaherty has organised a meeting for parents whose children are attending the P7 excursion to Edinburgh on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June, 3.00pm. Please see below a copy of the note sent home...

Our trip is fast approaching. We are going to have an information meeting on **Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June at 3pm**. If you can come along to that meeting I will outline some information about the trip and provide you with permission slips etc.

There is no special requirement re clothing except we will wear our hoodies to identify us.

Packs will be sent home on Tuesday if you are unable to attend which will need to be returned by Friday 7<sup>th</sup> June.

If you have any other queries, please contact us at school.

Many thanks,

**K Flaherty**

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