



**ASHURST CE AIDED PRIMARY SCHOOL
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**'Memories of Ashurst CE Aided Primary School'.
by Harry Sinclair Y6.**

I remember my first day at Ashurst, a little but not completely. I joined in September 2013, in Y3. I felt very nervous and upset as my father had just passed away, but I decided to look on the bright side. In my year group we had: Billy, Benjamin, Helena, Kayla, Tiggy, Poppy and Alexie. I remember lining up to go out onto the field and that's where I met Billy and Benjamin for the first time. Ever since that day we have been SUCH close friends. I remember 'Toe by Toe' with Miss Simpson and 'Power of 2' with her. I also remember having a sponsored 'Crazy Hair Day' to raise money for charity.

My first topic in Y3 was 'The Romans' and I remember writing about Hadrian's Wall. My last topic in that year was 'The Iron Man' and I remember building his head with Nattie, Ava and I think Samuel. I remember falling over in a race on Sports Day and bursting into tears. Mrs Williams came over to me and we finished the race together. 😊

Y4 was such fun! But sadly at Christmas Mr Cham, a friend of Ashurst from The Gambia, passed away, ☹️☹️☹️. He may be gone in human form but he hasn't left our hearts. Other than that, it was one of my favourite years, as I started to get to know all of the other pupils - a boy who I am still best friends with, Orson, and another best friend Howard who I've known since the age of 2 because he is my next-door neighbour. In Y4 our first topic was 'The Stone Age', for which we did a big Homework project, and the second topic was 'The Ancient Egyptians'. Learning about the Gods was FACINATING! I also remember doing a 'Rounders Tournament' in Ashington - well I think it was in Ashington.

Thank you Mrs Robins and Harwell for a brilliant time in Y3 and Y4 😊😊😊

I had such a fun time in Y3&4, I was going to miss it a lot, but I was SO excited for Y5&6. It was nice to be back with the Y6s (the old year 4's) and I was excited to have a new teacher Miss Jordan (now Mrs Sansbury). Our first topic was 'The Ancient Greeks' and I remember making chitons in DT with Mrs Robins and wearing them while having a Greek feast. Oh I forgot. We went to Shoreham College to make musaca and Greek butter cookies with Mrs Young. Our second topic was 'Mountains', for which, again for Homework, we did a big project. I focused on Mount Everest, which is the tallest mountain ever! With Mrs Hedley in computing, we all made games. Our last project was 'Rivers', which was very interesting. One of my favourite rivers is the River Amazon. 😊😊😊

Oh my goodness, I completely forgot about Christmas. At Christmas, we usually have a Christmas party and an hour or two with Mrs Croft (our lay preacher), and at Easter we have Mrs Croft again. Oh and we have the Christmas play, this year we did 'Red Riding Hood' and I played William the Wolf. Near the beginning I had to sing a solo, which of course was a little embarrassing.

In the summer in Y5 at Ashurst we go to Swanage! It is such fun there, building the sand castles on Studland beach, going rock pooling and surprisingly shopping. I also really enjoy going on the walk from Swanage along the Purbeck Hills to Corfe Castle, I can't wait to go to Swanage this year!

Last September I moved up to Y6 and since then I have loved learning about 'Building Bridges' and 'The Victorians', especially going to Preston Manor. I also had one of the best experiences at the Chichester Planetarium, whilst we were learning about Space. We mostly focused on the Moon, the Sun and Earth.

From spring term we have been with Mrs Williams in the mornings and the work has definitely not been easy as we have been practising for our SATs! It has been fun but still I'm not saying it's been easy. Some of my favourite lessons that we have done with Mrs Williams have included long multiplication, division, fractions and verbs. ☺

Last but not least, at Ashurst we have my favourite term, the summer term. I love the summer term because I love the sun and the hot weather and the Rounders Tea Party. Oh and of course, Sports Day. We also get to do lots of other exciting things like PE on the field. Three of my favourite sports at Ashurst are: tag rugby, cricket and rounders. When it comes to the end of the summer term, it gets SO hot, so all play in the shade. ☺

I have enjoyed having lessons with Mrs Williams because I have learnt so many new methods and different ways of answering questions - so many I have never seen before. As years go by I will look back and think "Wow I went to such a tremendous, kind and loving school." ☺

As Ashurst is my second school, I have other experiences to compare it with and to let me tell you, Ashurst is the best, being at Ashurst has made me brighter and become more religious.

I will miss Mrs Williams and all the staff and I will certainly miss all my friends.

Thank you Ashurst, you have helped my life so much, you have made me such a happier person. Thank you very much ☺

And thank you Harry for your wonderful contribution to Ashurst Primary too.

We wish all eight pupils leaving every happiness and success in their new schools: four are transferring to Steyning Grammar, one to the Towers, one to Worth, one to St Andrew's and one to Brighton College; and invite all members of the Parish to join us for the special 'Y6 Leavers' Assembly' in school at 9.15am on Wednesday 19th July 2017, and to stay for coffee and biscuits afterwards. Please visit the school's website for ALL school events - you are warmly invited to join us at, and for, ALL of them.

We thank you for the tremendous support we have enjoyed throughout another happy and successful school year and send you our good wishes for a splendid summer.