

# Ashurst CE Aided Primary School Home-School Partnership - Newsletter AUTUMN TERM 2018



1<sup>st</sup> November 2018

We hope all families enjoyed the Autumn break, after a most enjoyable first half of term which included: three SPONSORED WALKS, the FAPS BARN DANCE (which raised an amazing £834.16!), SUNDAY HARVEST FESTIVAL SERVICE at ST JAMES' CHURCH, 'SHILPAR OF INDIA' ASSEMBLY and Y6 JN-GS FRIDAY SALE in aid of SHILPAR'S CHARITY (with an amazing £105.32 raised), Y5 RESIDENTIAL WEEK TO SWANAGE, Y5&6 VISIT TO THE WEALD & DOWNLAND MUSEUM, LANCING and HENFIELD FOOTBALL TOURNAMENTS, PUPILS' ART EXHIBITION OF POPPIES IN ASHURST VILLAGE HALL (with an amazing £150 raised for the British Legion Poppy Appeal), Y6 production of the school's termly NEWSLETTER for the PARISH MAGAZINE and the 'OPEN AFTERNOON', from which parent comments can now be found on the school's website.

#### SPONSORED WALKS CHARITY FUND RAISING SEPTEMBER 2018

To date, the sums raised by just over half of our families, stands at

FS/KS1: CANCER RESEARCH £181.86, MARGARET GREEN ANIMAL

SANCTUARY: £60.61

Y3&4: CANCER RESEARCH £72.83, DOGS TRUST £24.27

Y5&6:CANCER RESEARCH £77.25, CATS PROTECTION LEAGUE £25.75

The total amount to date is £442.57 - for which a huge THANK YOU to all who have given so generously. Should you still have any outstanding monies, please see Mrs Ixer and we shall announce the final sums collected before Christmas.

We trust everyone is now ready for the CHRISTMAS TERM, especially pupils in Y5&6 who are once again playing the leading roles in this year's whole school production of 'JOSEPH & THE AMAZING TECHNICOLOUR DREAMCOAT'.

#### PARENT CONSULTATION Afternoon/Evening

Y1-Y6 teachers look forward to meeting parents on  $30^{th}$  OCTOBER, as the second formal opportunity this term to review pupils' individual progress.

YR PARENTS' CONSULTATION MORNING Mrs Pockett looks forward to meeting respective parents on THURSDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> NOVEMBER to discuss individual pupil progress this term. Mrs Ixer has already contacted parents to arrange individual appointment times.

Y2 and Y6 SAT PRESENTATION EVENINGS THIS TERM - IN PREPARATION FOR MAY/JUNE 2018

Parents of pupils in Y2 and Y6 are to be invited to special SAT EVENINGS very shortly this term.

OPEN MORNINGS - FOR NEW PUPILS and PARENTS are on NOVEMBER 13<sup>th</sup> and NOVEMBER 20<sup>th</sup> - by appointment with Mrs Ixer. Should parents and/or carers know of anyone interested in a place at Ashurst for their child, commencing September 2019, and wishing to visit the school, please get them to contact School Office directly. Thank you.

#### BRITISH LEGION 'POPPY COMPETITION'

School is eagerly awaiting the results of this Art Competition which is being judged later this week and involves entries from all Chanctonbury Schools.

#### SWIMMING LESSONS Y1-Y6

Weekly swimming lessons at The Towers Convent School, Upper Beeding, continue this half term with Y1 on FRIDAY  $9^{th}$  NOVEMBER. For other dates and times please see the **Dates for the Term and the school's website**.

PE & GAMES lessons ON THE FIELD and AT DALESDOWN (with classteachers and/or PE/Games Coach, Mr Denman) continue this half term.

Exciting news of specialist Gymnastics lessons for all pupils in Spring term 2019 - including trampoline! - home shortly.

#### **FRENCH**

We thank French Specialist and former Ashurst parent and teacher, Mrs Loveless, for stepping in to support the school last term in the absence of resident French Specialist, Mrs Scadding-Hunt, due to ill health. This half term the school has approached Mr Wergen, the Headmaster of SGS

for Specialist French assistance and is awaiting news. We look forward to keeping parents informed of this and send our good wishes for a full and speedy recovery to Mrs Scadding -Hunt the meantime.

School is awaiting news of the date for the Autumn Y5&Y6 COOKERY DAY at Shoreham College following the expected delay due to the induction of the new resident Home Economics teacher at Shoreham College.

It was a great pleasure for all at Ashurst to welcome the Headmaster of Shoreham College, Mr Richard Taylor-West, to the school just before half term, to take part in a special School Partnership commemorative worship. We look forward to a return visit from him in Spring 2019, following his forthcoming visit to India.

Y3/4 REMEMBRANCE SERVICE for SENIOR RESIDENTS of ASHURST: Once again, we will be holding our own special 'REMEMBRANCE SERVICE' for pupils and staff in school at 10.30 on THURSDAY 8th November. Pupils who are members of clubs such as: Cubs, Venture Scouts, Beavers and Rainbows may choose to wear their respective uniforms/outfits for the day.

#### **PHOTOGRAPHS**

The school photographer will be with us on **WEDNESDAY 14**<sup>th</sup> **NOVEMBER**, to take individual and family photographs, for receipt by the beginning of December.

The school is taking part in the annual BBC 'CHILDREN IN NEED' APPEAL, once again, with ALL PUPILS wishing to take part, PAYING A £1.00 fee for the 'NON-SCHOOL UNIFORM DAY' on FRIDAY 16th November.

#### Y6 SWANAGE RESIDENTIAL VISIT JUNE 2019

The school looks forward to posting home to respective parents details of the proposed 'Y6 SWANAGE VISIT JUNE 2019'. The visit has been provisionally booked for 24<sup>th</sup> June -28<sup>th</sup> June.

#### AFTER-SCHOOL CHESS & FOOTBALL CLUBS DATES -

Please see attached Dates for the Term.

The school is eagerly awaiting news of its games in ROUND ONE of the COUNTY CHESS COMPETITION 2018-2019. Team members and respective families will be informed in due course.

OPEN AFTERNOON (and Christmas Sale for charity) Monday 10th December from 2.15 - 4.00.

#### CHRISTMAS PRODUCTION 2018 - 'JOSEPH'

Applications for tickets will be sent home to parents shortly.

**ALL** pupils will be needed for the matinee performances.

- DRESS REHEARSAL/MATINEE: THURSDAY 29<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER for those with toddlers.
- MATINEE: MONDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> DECEMBER without accompanying younger children, please.
- MATINEE: WEDNESDAY 5<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER without accompanying younger children, please.

DETAILS of the school's traditional *CHRISTMAS PARTY FOR ALL PUPILS* will be available AFTER THE CHRISTMAS PRODUCTION.

'THE CHRISTMAS STORY' - enacted by lay preacher MRS CROFT - WEDNESDAY 12<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2018

'CHRISTINGLE' SUNDAY at ST JAMES CHURCH date to be advised.

'INFANT NATIVITY' 9.30 in ASHURST VILLAGE HALL FRIDAY 14<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2018

For news of FAMILY SERVICES at ST JAMES' ASHURST this half term, including CHRISTINGLE, please see the 'Dates for the Term'.

#### STAFFING

School is looking forward to welcoming classteacher of Y5&6, Mrs Sansbury, back in January 2019, following her Maternity Leave since January 2018. Little Jordie Sansbury is now ten months old and starting to crawl!

We are also able to share the good news of school's part-time teacher, Miss Simpson, who has also been covering for Mrs Sansbury's during her Maternity Leave, she is pleased to be taking up a full-time teaching post at a local Junior School from January 2019.

We thank Miss Simpson very much indeed for all she has contributed to APS in the time she has been with us, and especially so in the absence of Mrs Sansbury.

There will be more news of the school's staffing/teaching arrangements for Spring term 2019 shortly. Meanwhile, congratulations to Miss Simpson on her successful appointment and all good wishes from APS.

# INSET DAY (School Closure) FRIDAY 2nd NOVEMBER: 'GLOBAL SUMMIT' DAY, PORTSMOUTH.

PLUS further staff CPD including:

TUESDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER, DIRECTLY AFTER SCHOOL FINISHES: ALL STAFF DUE AT SGS FROM 4-6
PLUS

RESPECTIVE END OF KEY STAGE SAT PREPARATION COUNTY TRAINING FOR TEACHERS

We wish everyone a happy second half of the Autumn term 2018 and ask, as always, that you contact the school straightaway if you have any concerns regarding your child's progress, well-being and/or safety at any time.

Kindest regards,

#### Mrs J A Williams, Headteacher.

PS For parent and carer information, all correspondence addressed to 'Mrs Williams' and/or 'The Headteacher' is opened personally and in confidence, and responded to similarly, as appropriate.

#### IMPORTANT NOTICE

# REMINDER CONCERNING PUPILS' SAFETY

The school strongly encourages

ALL PARENTS, CARERS

AND

THOSE DEPOSITING & COLLECTING PUPILS

DAILY BY CAR

TO USE THE RECREATION GROUND CAR PARK AND THE GATE TO THE JUNIOR PLAYGROUND.

(THE ONE OUTSIDE Y5&Y6 CLASSROOM)

This advice follows consultation over time with various professional bodies, including the Police.

AND

That, as far as possible, DOGS are not brought into and onto the playground

Many thanks for your support in these matters, it is much appreciated.

Mrs Williams November 2018

Newsletters are available on the school's website. FOR FAPS' MEETINGS, PLEASE SEE THE PARENTS' NOTICEBOARD.

### ASHURST CE AIDED PRIMARY SCHOOL

#### DATES FOR SECOND HALF AUTUMN TERM 2018

INSET DAY: FRIDAY 2nd NOVEMBER

#### Family Church Services

Family Church Service 2nd Sunday of each month at 10:30 am. Please see St. James' Church websites for further information on service dates.

Y2/Y6 SATS evening for Parents	tba
Parents Consultation Afternoon/Evening	30 <sup>th</sup> October
YR Parents ELG Reporting  To be rescheduled from 1 <sup>st</sup> November Mrs Ixer to contact respective pa	tba arents
INSET DAY	2 <sup>nd</sup> November
Y6 Visit to The Brighton Progressive Synagogue	6 <sup>th</sup> November
Y3/Y4 Remembrance Day Assembly for invited guests in school. 10:30am	8 <sup>th</sup> November
Remembrance Day Church Service, St James' Church 10:50am	11 <sup>th</sup> November
Open Morning for Prospective Parents (Appointments via School Office)	13 <sup>th</sup> November
Pupils Individual Photographs	14 <sup>th</sup> November
BBC Children in Need - Non-school uniform Day	16 <sup>h</sup> November
Open Morning for Prospective Parents (Appointments via School Office)	20 <sup>th</sup> November
Flu Vaccination In-Schools Programme	28 <sup>th</sup> November
Full Governing Body Meeting 6.30pm	27 <sup>th</sup> November
Christmas Production Whole School: Matinees 29 <sup>th</sup> November, 3 <sup>rd</sup>	<sup>d</sup> & 5 <sup>th</sup> December

Christingle Service - St. James's Church - Sunday	tba
Open Afternoon & Y5/Y6 Christmas Fundraising 2:15-4pm	10 <sup>th</sup> December
Christmas Party	11 <sup>th</sup> December
Christmas Story Mrs Croft in school for pupils	12 <sup>th</sup> December
Reception Nativity Play - for all parents Ashurst Village Hall 9:30am	14 <sup>th</sup> December
End of Term	19 <sup>th</sup> December
FAPS 'The Voice of Christmas' Concert St.Andrew's Church, Steyning	21st December

# ASHURST CE AIDED PRIMARY SCHOOL DATES FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2018 - 2019

### Autumn Term 2018

3rd September - 19th December 2018

Half Term: 22nd October -26th October 2018

# Spring Term 2019

3<sup>rd</sup> January - 5<sup>th</sup> April 2019

Half Term: 18th February - 22nd February 2019

### Summer Term 2019

23<sup>rd</sup> April - 23rd July 2019

Half Term: 27th May - 31st May 2019

### INSET DAYS

**AUTUMN TERM 2018** 

2<sup>nd</sup> November 2018

SPRING TERM 2019

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> March 2019

**SUMMER TERM 2019** 

Thursday 4th & Friday 5th July 2019



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## SECOND HALF - AUTUMN TERM 2018 FOOTBALL CLUBS

THURSDAYS 3.15PM - 4PM Y1 - Y2

CLUB DATES:

1<sup>st</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup> November

# KS2 AFTER SCHOOL FOOTBALL CLUB

CLUB DATES:

1<sup>st</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup> November

CHESS CLUB

There will be the occasional lunchtime Chess Club this term.

13<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup> November



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## SECOND HALF - AUTUMN TERM 2018 SWIMMING DATES

#### **Y1 PUPILS:**

11:40 - 12:40 all sessions

# PACKED LUNCH & MID MORNING SNACK REQUIRED Fridays 9th, 16th & 23rd November 2018

#### **Y2 PUPILS:**

11:40 - 12:40 session

# PACKED LUNCH & MID MORNING SNACK REQUIRED Friday 7th December 2018