



**ASHURST CE AIDED PRIMARY SCHOOL**  
**Home-School Partnership - Newsletter**  
**AUTUMN TERM 2016**



31<sup>st</sup> October

Welcome back to school, especially to newly-married teacher of Y5&6, Mrs Sansbury (formerly, Miss Jordan)! We hope you all enjoyed the Autumn break, after a most enjoyable first half of term which included: three different SPONSORED WALKS, the FAPS BARN DANCE, HARVEST FESTIVAL, BUMBLES' GARDEN, LANCING and HENFIELD FOOTBALL TOURNAMENTS and the 'OPEN AFTERNOON' from which parent comments can now be found on the school's website AND ALL IN BEAUTUTIFUL WEATHER which continued right up to half term and meant the school LOG BOOK recorded a FIRST for the duration of playtimes, packed lunches and PE/GAMES lessons on the field!.

**RAISING FUNDS TO ENRICH THE SCHOOL'S PE/SPORT.**

To date, the sum raised by just over half of our families, stands at £645.00 - for which a HUGE thank you to all concerned. The school looks forward to announcing the FINAL TOTAL when Mrs Ixer receives all remaining monies.

**NEWS OF KOTULALA SCHOOL & 'PAGEANT'.**

At the school's Sharing Assembly on October 19th, pupils and staff were delighted to meet the founder members of local charity, **PAGEANT** which supports schools in The Gambia, once again,; and to catch up on all progress regarding Kotukala School what has and is happening there since the demise of Headteacher, Mr Cham. It was all very interesting and exciting - seemingly Kotukala has received high praise for the quality of education provided for its Nursery age pupils.

Members of Pageant are travelling to The Gambia in November and we look forward to their return to England and Ashurst with news of even more progress on former Ashurst teacher, Mrs Mustchin's great legacy.

**We trust everyone is now ready for the excitement of the CHRISTMAS TERM.....especially pupils in Y5&6 who are visiting PRESTON MANOR next Monday!**

#### **PARENTS' CONSULTATION Afternoon/Evening**

Y3-Y6 teachers look forward to meeting parents on 1st **NOVEMBER**, 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 **FRIDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER** to discuss individual pupil progress this term. Mrs Ixer has already contacted parents to arrange individual appointment times.

#### **SWIMMING LESSONS Y1-Y6**

As part of the school's continuing partnership with The Towers Convent School, Upper Beeding, pupils from Y1-6 will have swimming lessons from this half term until the end of Spring term 2017 - **beginning on Tuesday 8th November with Y3. ALL DATES & YEAR GROUPS are attached.**

**PE & GAMES** lessons for Y1 - Y6 pupils on **WEDNESDAY AT DALESDOWN** begin on **NOVEMBER 4<sup>th</sup>**, unless weather conditions permit us to continue using the school field.

#### **PHOTOGRAPHS**

The school photographer will be with us on **THURSDAY 24<sup>th</sup> November**, to take individual and family photographs, for receipt by the beginning of December.

**Y5&Y6 COOKERY DAY** at **Shoreham College** is on **FRIDAY 18<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER**. All will require a packed lunch **AND TWO LARGE TINS** to bring home the delicious food made.

The school is taking part in the annual **BBC 'CHILDREN IN NEED' APPEAL**, once again, with a **'PAY A £1.00 for NON-SCHOOL UNIFORM DAY'** on **FRIDAY 18th November** too.

#### **SWANAGE RESIDENTIAL VISIT JUNE 2017**

We invite parents of Y5&6 to a special **'SWANAGE VISIT PRESENTATION'** in school at 2.30pm on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> December.

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

Please see attached Dates for the Term.

The school is awaiting news of its games in **ROUND ONE** of the **COUNTY CHESS COMPETITION 2016-2017**. Team members and respective families will be informed in due course.

## **INSET DAY (School Closure)**

The school will be closed for staff in-service training on **FRIDAY 4TH NOVEMBER**.

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

## **Y3/4 REMEMBRANCE SERVICE for SENIOR RESIDENTS**

Once again, the school will be holding its own special '**REMEMBRANCE SERVICE**' for pupils and staff at **10.30** on **FRIDAY 11<sup>th</sup> November**. Pupils who are members of clubs such as: **Cubs, Venture Scouts, Beavers and Rainbows** may choose to wear their respective *outfits* for the day.

## **OPEN AFTERNOON (and Christmas Sale for charity)**

**Monday 12th December from 2.15 - 4.00.**

## **CHRISTMAS PRODUCTION 2016 - 'RED RIDING HOOD'.**

Applications for tickets will be sent home to parents shortly.

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

All pupils, from **Y1 - Y6**, will be needed for the evening performances.

- **DRESS REHEARSAL/MATINEE: FRIDAY 25<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER** - for those with toddlers.
- **MATINEE: WEDNESDAY 30<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER** - without accompanying younger children, please.

and

- **TWO EVENING performances:**  
**TUES 29th NOVEMBER and THURS 1ST 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 14<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2016**

**'CHRISTINGLE' FRIDAY 9<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2016 at ST JAMES CHURCH  
- weather permitting!**

**'INFANT NATIVITY' 9.15 THURSDAY 15<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2016**

As always, please contact the school if you have any concerns regarding your child's progress, well-being and/or safety.

All correspondence addressed to 'Mrs Williams' and/or 'The Headteacher' is opened personally and in confidence, and responded to similarly, as appropriate.

We wish everyone a happy second half of the Autumn term 2016.

Kindest regards,

**Mrs J A Williams, Headteacher.**

#### **IMPORTANT NOTICE**

**Classteacher, Mrs Smith, is on Jury Service for the next fortnight.**

**Classteacher, Mrs Pockett, will be teaching FS&KS1, with additional support from French specialist teacher, Mrs Scadding-Hunt.**

# 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 Y3&Y4 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, your support in these matters is much appreciated.

Mrs Williams November 2016

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 2016

**INSET DAY: FRIDAY 4<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER**

### **Family Church Services**

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday, Family Eucharist & 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday, Family Service

Parents Consultation Afternoon/Evening	1 <sup>st</sup> November
INSET DAY	4 <sup>th</sup> November
Y3/Y4 Remembrance Day Assembly for invited guests, in school	11 <sup>th</sup> November
Remembrance Day Church Service, St James' Church	13 <sup>th</sup> November
YR Parents ELG Reporting <i>Mrs Ixer has contacted respective parents</i>	18 <sup>th</sup> November
Y5/Y6 Cookery, Shoreham College	18 <sup>th</sup> November
BBC Children in Need - Non-school uniform Day	18 <sup>h</sup> November
Full Governing Body Meeting 7.30pm	23 <sup>rd</sup> November
Christmas Production	Matinees 25 <sup>th</sup> & 30 <sup>th</sup> November Eves. 29 <sup>th</sup> November & 1 <sup>st</sup> December
Swanage Afternoon 2:30pm	5 <sup>th</sup> December
Christingle Service - St. James's Church - weather dependant	9 <sup>th</sup> December
Open Afternoon & Y5/Y6 Christmas Fundraising 2:15-4pm	12 <sup>th</sup> December
Christmas Party	13 <sup>th</sup> December
Christmas Story Mrs Croft in school for pupils	14 <sup>th</sup> December
Reception Nativity Play - for all parents 9:15am	15 <sup>th</sup> December

# **ASHURST CE AIDED PRIMARY SCHOOL DATES FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2016 - 2017**

## **Autumn Term 2016**

5th September - 16<sup>th</sup> December 2016

Half Term: 24<sup>th</sup> October - 28<sup>th</sup> October 2016

## **Spring Term 2017**

3rd January - 7<sup>th</sup> April 2017

Half Term: 20<sup>th</sup> February - 24th February 2017

## **Summer Term 2017**

24th April - 25th July 2017

Half Term: 29<sup>th</sup> May - 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2017

## **INSET DAYS**

### **AUTUMN TERM 2016**

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> October & Friday 4<sup>th</sup> November

### **SPRING TERM 2017**

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2017

### **SUMMER TERM 2017**

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> & Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July 2017



**ASHURST CE AIDED PRIMARY SCHOOL**  
**SECOND HALF - AUTUMN TERM 2016**  
**FOOTBALL CLUBS**



**THURSDAYS 3.15PM - 4PM**  
**Y1 - Y2**

**CLUB DATES:**  
**3<sup>rd</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup> November**



**KS2 AFTER SCHOOL**  
**FOOTBALL CLUB**

**THURSDAYS 3.15PM - 4:15PM**  
**Y3 - Y6**

**CLUB DATES:**  
**3<sup>rd</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup> November**



**CHESS CLUB**

**TUESDAYS 3.30 - 4.15pm**  
**Y3 - Y6**

There will be the occasional lunchtime Chess Club this term.

**CLUB DATES:**  
**15th November** (*Please note date change from 8th*)  
**& 22nd November**