

ASH GROVE ACADEMY

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Events this week in school w/c. 5.3.18

* Thank you to all parents who have joined us in school for workshops or have accompanied us on trips as part of our Community Week initiative. It has been a brilliant week. Extended thanks to all Ash Grove staff who collectively made this week such a success.

*Forest school started again this week. Year 4 will be working with Ranger Dan for 3 weeks. Forest school runs from 3pm-4.30pm and provides the children with an excellent opportunity to build their resilience and resourcefulness in an outdoor learning environment.

*Am educational journalist from The Economist visited Ash Grove this week and observed a lesson in Year 6 and met with Mrs Finnegan, Mr Simpson and other members of the senior leadership team of the Aspire Educational Trust to learn more about how the children of Ash Grove achieve so well in their learning.

*Class 6 presented on, 'What makes Macclesfield brilliant?' on Tuesday

Please check out the Ash Grove twitter feed @ashgroveacademy for updates and photos from all classes across the week.

Events for w/c 12.3.18

Monday

Year 5 football match v Adlington Primary
3.45pm kick off at Ash Grove. Supporters welcome.

Rescheduled World Book Day – Share a Story

Tuesday

Class 4 Presentation 2.45pm

Wednesday

Year 4 Forest School
Parent Council Meeting 5.30pm

Thursday

Year 5 & 6 Debate Training

Friday

The Great British Spring Clean

Come in and join us every Friday from 8.30am for Feedback Friday. Find out all about what your child has been learning in class.

Key Dates for next half term

12.3.18 Y5 Football match against Adlington.
12.3.18 World Book Day – Share a Story
16.3.18 Great British Spring Clean
20.3.18 Bikeability Y5
20.3.18 Parents Evening except Reception children
21.3.18 Bikeability Y5
22.3.18 Bikeability Y3 and Y4
23.3.18 Bikeability Y6
28.3.18 Progress Cup Assembly and attendance prizes
28.3.18 Easter Bonnet Parade
28.3.18 School closes for Easter holidays and reopens on 16.4.18

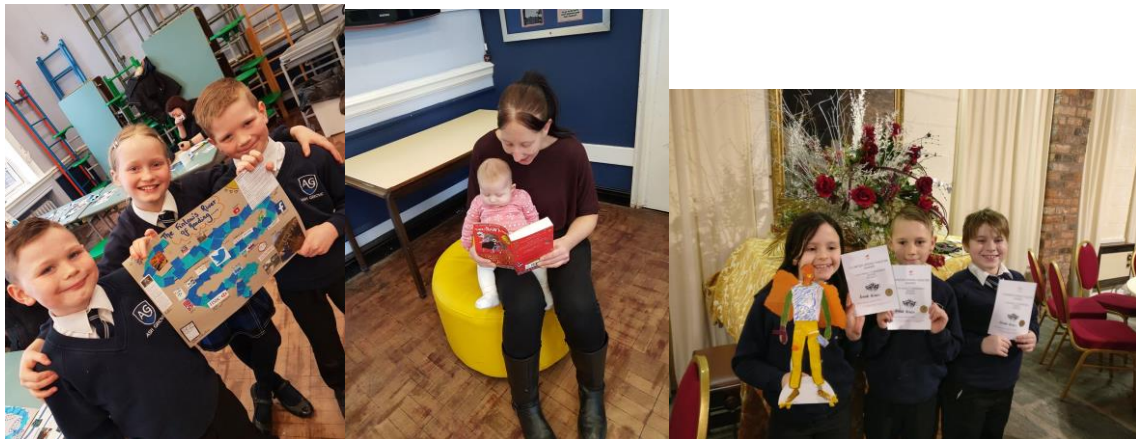
Term Time Holidays and unauthorised absences

On Thursday 8th March, Ash Grove received a visit from the Cheshire East Educational Welfare Officer who audited the school attendance. Overall our attendance is good and currently stands at 95.8% overall but is falling short of our target of 97%. During the meeting, she requested to see a list of the names of all of the children who have taken or who plan to take unauthorised holidays. She made us aware of the revised criteria, which would initiate a statutory obligation to fine.

A fixed penalty notice can now be issued when five school days are lost due to unauthorised absence or holiday or for persistent late arrival in any two consecutive half terms. The penalty is £60 per child.

For further clarification on this, please request from the school office a copy of the Cheshire East Code of Conduct on Fixed Penalty Notices.

Community Week Photos



Sport Relief is back!

Ash Grove will be selling wristbands (£1 each) throughout the week of 19th - 23rd March to support the Sport Relief charity. Details about sponsored events and activities will follow next week.

Local Governing Body Meeting

The meeting took place on Thursday evening within which Mrs Finnegan fed back on pupil progress and attainment, community engagement, attendance and submitted the revised home-school policy for consideration.

The next parent council meeting is scheduled to take place on Wednesday 14th March. Please consult with your class rep regarding any general issues you would like to raise. As usual, if the issue is specific to your child, please feel free to contact your class teacher or email me directly on principal@ashgrove.cheshire.sch.uk