# **ASH GROVE ACADEMY**



# Events from this week w/c 1.10.18

\*Class 1 & 2 took a trip to St Barnabas Church to learn about the Christian ceremony of Baptism

> \*Class 6 had an awesome day at Knowsley Safari Park

\* The Ash Grove Football Team put on a stunning show of skill, teamwork and strength, beating Adlington 6:1.

\*Year 5 was treated to a day of raiding, trading and invading courtesy of our Viking Visitor Olaf.

\*Class 4 put on a brilliant presentation and exclaimed all of their learning about The Tudors

\*Mrs Lisle, Mrs Potts and Mrs Rutter took six Ash Grove children to a Pupil Voice Craft and Activity Morning at Tytherington High School. This was organised by the Cheshire East SEND Team. The children behaved impeccably and were outstanding representatives of the school. Thank you to Lily, Henry, Joshua, Lola, Oscar and James.

\*Reception Class have been trying out their new Dough Station this week. Apologies for the messy uniforms but wow, have they had some fun!

\*Year 4 & 5 attended their First Sing Fest Rehearsal. Over the coming months, they will be learning a full range of songs from all of the decades and will be performing in a concert in the New Year.

\*Ash Grove hosted an awesome Able Writers Day. We welcomed children from a number of Macclesfield schools to spend the day in the inspiring company of Poet, Terry Caffrey.

\*Congratulations to the Junior Recycling Officers who received their goodie bags from Ansa.

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

### What is happening next week?

We welcome two new Associate Teachers from Monday: Miss Lamptey will be working with Miss Lucas in Year 4 and Miss Broderick will be working with Miss Clare in Year 2.

#### Monday

Y1-3 PE club Yellow House at South Park 9.30am

#### **Tuesday**

Class 1 presentation

#### Wednesday

Year 5 & 6 Football Match at Nether Alderley 1.30pm Forest School will start again in the spring term

#### **Thursday**

Year 6 will be sharing their extended writing with the children in Year 5

Teacher clubs

Come into school at 8.30am every Friday morning to find out what your child has been learning over the last week in school.

#### Diary Dates for Autumn 1 2018

10<sup>th</sup> October – Year 5 & 6 Football v Nether Alderley (away)

15<sup>th</sup> October: Year 5 & 6 Football Match v St Gregory's 4pm

16<sup>th</sup> October - Reception presentation

16th October - Fluenz for children in Y1-5

22<sup>nd</sup> October – Year 5 & 6 Football v Christ the King

23<sup>rd</sup> October - Class 6 formal debate presentation

23rd October - Parents' evening

25<sup>th</sup> October - Blackpool Illuminations Trip

26<sup>th</sup> October - Half Term

## **Feedback Friday**

School is open every Friday from 8.30am for parents and carers to drop in to their child's classroom and share in the learning, which has taken place over the week. Feel free to browse through the children's books and ask your child to talk about all they have been doing in class. Make your way to the school office and staff will happily show you through.

#### Netball

Mrs Thompson will be running Year 5 & 6 Netball Training after lunch on Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons. The plan is to enter an Ash Grove Netball Team into forthcoming tournaments.

#### **Mrs Sherratt**

We are all incredibly proud of Mrs Sherratt who has achieved the National Award for Special Educational Needs. Mrs Sherratt will be leading on all SEND provision throughout Early Years Foundation Stage.

# Supervision on the Quad

Please can all parents with children in Year 1-5 ensure children are supervised on the quad in the morning until the school doors are opened at 8.50am. There have been a number of complaints from concerned parents explaining how children are being left to walk around on their own from the main gate. Parents and carers must accompany their children on the school grounds until 8.50am when school officially opens. Our supervised Breakfast Club is free, and children can be dropped off any time between 7:45am – 8:30am.

#### **Parent Council**

The first meeting of the new academic year took place on Wednesday evening. Your reps are: Natalie Heywood (y3), Aisha Monk (Y1), Laura Jennings (Reception), Emma Edwards (Year 2), Rebecca Marshall Clark (Y4), Sarah Clarke (Y6) and Janna Finlow (Y5). Topics discussed included: after school club provision, feasibility of a Spanish exchange with a school in Murcia, Spain, refinements to School Comms communications notably relating to permission slips, quad supervision concerns and parental engagement projects. If you wish to raise a general concern or have an idea on how we can continue to offer outstanding provision here at Ash Grove, then please feel free to contact your class rep. If you have a specific concern related to your child, please do contact your class directly teacher or me at principal@ashgrove.cheshire.sch.uk. The next meeting is scheduled to take place on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> December.

# **Apologies and notices**

The parent council alerted me to two errors in recent communications to which I apologise; the first being the confusion over the time parents were invited to attend Spanish Day and the second was the day of the Yellow House Visit to South Park; this will take place on Monday 8th October.

Games club on a Thursday is being run alternate weeks by Miss Clare and Miss Coope and therefore the children will exit either from Miss Coope's classroom or Miss Clare's classroom on alternate weeks.