

ASH GROVE ACADEMY

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Events this week in school w/c 25.5.18

* Classes 2, 3 and 5 have taken part in the **Macclesfield Brick Project** and have painted bricks throughout the week on the underpass in town. The project is open to the wider community and we would encourage you to visit with your families. It is a fantastic recognition of the sense of community that exists in Macclesfield.

*Well done to Year 6 for winning last week's attendance award with a whopping 100% attendance for the previous week.

*Well done to Year 2 who delivered a very informative class presentation on the Titanic. Thanks to all parents and carers who attended.

*Year 3 enjoyed their final forest school.

*Year 1 had a brilliant day at the Sea Life Centre

*Well done to Year 6 who participated in the Quad Kids tournament at Macclesfield Academy

*A massive well done to the Year 3&4 and Year 5&6 Football Teams who played Adlington on Tuesday. Despite defeat, the teams showed great resilience and skills.

*Reception children enjoyed a visit from Macclesfield Fire Brigade.

*A big thankyou to Bethany's Granddad who came in to talk to the children in Year 5 all about his career as a Glass Maker for Pilkington's.

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

****REMINDER****

SCHOOL WILL BE OPEN ON MONDAY 4TH JUNE. THE INSET IS ON THURSDAY 14TH JUNE

UNAUTHORISED ABSENCE

The Parent Council have requested that school remind all parents that any unauthorised absence has a direct impact on the overall percentage attendance level of the school. The parent, pupil and staff community is incredibly proud that Ash Grove is an outstanding school and in order for this status to remain, unauthorised absence must be kept to an absolute minimum.

PLEASE THINK BEFORE BOOKING A TERM TIME HOLIDAY. We are all responsible for working together to ensure Ash Grove retains the outstanding status it so deserves so that it can continue to provide our children with the very best education.

After School Football Coaching

We are looking into running after school football coaching sessions for our teams. We do not have the resource or capacity to provide this as part of the curriculum however, we are aware of the need to provide our teams with the opportunity to train. If there are any parents who would like to volunteer to support this and help us with after school football coaching please do get in touch.

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In the meantime, we are going to look into commercial football coaches however, ideally I would like to avoid having to pass this cost onto parents.

PTA

My Hero Competition for Father's Day

The PTA are running a photo competition. They are requesting funny photos of the children with their Dad, Grandad or their Hero. The judges are looking for the funniest and craziest photos. Entries can be emailed to friendsofashgrovepta@outlook.com or send them in with the children. It is £1.00 to enter and all proceeds will be donated to the Ash Grove PTA.

Parent Council Meeting

The following points were raised as points of discussion:

*Further clarification was sought about unauthorised absences. Principal reiterated that all communications have been made through newsletters and are in line with Cheshire East statutory Guidance. The regulations apply to all parents with no exemption.

*Feasibility of providing extra football coaching specific to Ash Grove Teams ideally run by volunteers from the parent community. Principal to source parent volunteers.

*Review of the end of year report format. Principal to feedback at the next meeting.

*Feasibility of providing PE clubs in the holidays. Principal to liaise with The Sports Hub to organise.

*Positive Feedback received on the content of the class presentations over the course of the half term.