

ASH GROVE ACADEMY

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Welcome back!

Thanks to everyone who has made such an effort with the school uniform. The children have returned to school looking so smart and proud. Ash Grove has visitors from across the UK in school almost every week. They visit to see all of the amazing work, which takes place and it is lovely to receive so many comments about the smart presentation of the children.

Highlights for the second half of the spring will be Science Week with a focus on Diversity, week commencing the 9th March, World Book Day on 5th March, Sport Relief on 13th March, the Ash Grove Spring Music Concert on 1st April and the Easter Bonnet Parade on 3rd April. There are a number of sporting fixtures and class trips also planned.

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

Diary Dates for the Half Term

Date	Event
26.2.20	Reception Class Hearing and Sight Check Year 6 at Macclesfield Academy for Science Workshop Year 1 Walk along the canal to Danes Moss Nature Reserve.
27.2.20	Open the Book Assembly KS1 Year 6 swimming
28.2.20	Year 5 & 6 Girls and Boys Football Matches v Nether Alderley at Ash Grove 3pm
4.3.20	Year 6 at Macclesfield Academy for Science Workshop Year 4 Forest School
5.3.20	World Book Day Book and Butty 9-10am Secret Readers 1pm
6.3.20	Emotional Wellbeing Workshop Year 5 & 6
9.3.20	Science Week – Diversity Y5 and Y6 Netball Matches at Hollin Hey PE Club Y4-6
10.3.20	Year 5 Class Presentation 3pm
11.3.20	Animal Magic in Year 1 9.30am Y5 Science Workshop at Macclesfield Academy Y6 Sensational Science Workshop at King's Macclesfield Year 4 Forest School
12.3.20	Reception class at the Fire Station Open the Book assembly
13.3.20	Sport Relief including sponsored activities, non-uniform and bake sale
17.3.20	Y4 Trip to Chester Nursery Class Presentation 11.30am Reception visit to the Foodbank Rhona – Uganda assembly 9.30am
18.3.20	Year 3 and 4 Able Computing Day Y4 at TMA for Science workshop Year 5 at Kings for Science workshop
19.3.20	Afternoon tea for special Mums and female carers – Reception class Y3 Multi skills afternoon at TMA Ash Grove LAC Meeting 5pm
20.3.20	Down Syndrome Day
24.3.20	Year 3 trip to Pooles Cavern DR and NL presenting at RfP Conference Year 1 Class Presentation 3pm
25.3.20	Y3 Science Workshop at Macclesfield Academy Year 2 Forest School Parent Council Meeting 5.30pm
26.3.20	Open the Book Assembly Aspire Football Tournament
27.3.20	Feedback Open Morning 8.30am
31.3.20	Parents Evening
1.4.20	Year 2 at TMA for science workshop Year 2 Forest School Y3-Y6 Silk Club Gymnastics Spring Music Concert 2.30pm
2.4.20	Winning House trip to Cinemac to see Onward 10am Andy from St Barnabas visiting Year 3 Y3 class debate 3pm
3.4.20	Progress Cub and Easter Bonnet Parade 9.15am 3pm Feedback Open afternoon

World Book Day

A letter has been sent out today regarding World Book Day. The theme this year is **Traditional Fairy Tales**. Children are welcome to bring a prop or item of clothing relating to a Traditional Fairy Tale of their choice. There is absolutely no requirement for children to dress up so please do not feel the need to spend a lot of money on expensive costumes. More importantly, we would like to welcome you into school between 9am and 10am for Book and Butty in the school hall. Come and share a book with your child or sign up to be a secret reader in the afternoon.

Rights Respecting

Lacey, a member of our Pupil Steering Committee has chosen the right she wishes to promote for this week.



Children who move from their home country to another country as refugees (because it was not safe for them to stay there) should get help and protection and have the same rights as children born in that country.

Ash Grove Bookshelves

This term Ash Grove has introduced our Bookshelves. Every class from Nursery to Year 6 has a bookshelf in the classroom showcasing up to five class texts which will be used for whole class reading, guided reading, stimulus for writing and to promote the pleasure of reading. The whole school theme for this term is *Imagine*. Each class teacher has selected a range of fiction, non-fiction, poetry, classical literature and picture book quality texts linked to the whole school theme. A letter has gone out today highlighting the rich range of texts. The purpose of the bookshelves is to ensure the children of Ash Grove are able to access both breadth and depth of quality literature during their time at school. Below are some examples of the texts in use for this term.



VE Day Celebrations

On Thursday 7th May, we will be celebrating VE day in school. The day will be action packed with plenty of events to include our community. We would also like to hear from any family members who attended Ash Grove or who lived in Macclesfield during World War 2.