



# Ashleigh Primary School News

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10<sup>th</sup> February 2023

## MR BANNISTER

Today, we are celebrating Mr. Bannister's last day at Ashleigh, as he has decided to retire.

*Happy Retirement!*

Mr. Bannister has worked at Ashleigh as a teaching assistant for the last 5 years and has been a real asset to our school. He has mainly worked in Y2, but has worked right across school at times, and has consistently demonstrated his dedication to school and our children. Such is his commitment, despite being part-time, Mr Bannister could always be found getting things ready long before the children arrived in school, and still being here, at times, hours after they had gone. He really will be terribly missed, especially by the Y2 children and staff.

Happy retirement Mr Bannister, we look forward to hearing all about your new adventures after Ashleigh.

## SCHOOL DINNERS / PARENTPAY

A reminder that sadly due to rising costs, from after half term, Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February, we will have to increase school dinners to £2.40 per day. I'm sure that anyone who has been able to sample Mrs Holden and her team's lunches would agree that this is still fabulous value for money.

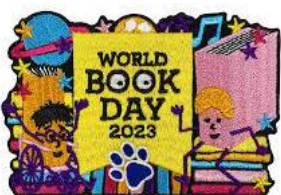


## WATER BOTTLES

A reminder that water bottles are to be filled with only water and not juice. Water bottles can be filled up during the day from the water coolers in school.



## WORLD BOOK DAY



World Book Day is on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March and the theme for this year is for children to come to school dressed as a word of their choosing. For example, if their word is 'sparkly' they could wear sparkly clothes or 'tired' they might wear pyjamas. There will be a prize per class for the most unique and ingenious word outfit. The children will also be taking part in book related activities throughout the day and will receive a £1.00 World Book Day voucher.

## EASTER EGG BINGO

Easter Egg Bingo is back and will be on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March at 6.00pm. Tickets are £3.00 each and this will include a book of bingo tickets and for children who don't want to play bingo it will be £1.00. Please feel free to bring your own drinks and snacks to this event.



A letter enabling you to buy bingo tickets will be sent home in a few weeks.

## YEAR 3 & 4 PRODUCTION - 'WHAT'S THE CRIME MR WOLF?'

The Year 3 & 4 production of 'What's the Crime Mr Wolf?' will take place on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> March at 2.00pm and 6.00pm. A letter will be sent home nearer the time to enable you to buy tickets for these performances and tickets are priced at £2.00 each; proceeds will be split between school fund and a chosen charity.



<b>School Closes for Half Term Break</b>	<b>Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February</b>	<b>3.30pm</b>
<b>School Re-opens</b>	<b>Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February</b>	<b>8.45am</b>
Year 5 visit to Blackburn Museum	Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> February	
World Book Day - Dress as a word	Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> March	
Let's Go Sing @ KGH - Year 3	Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> March	6.00pm - 7.10pm
Parents Evening	Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> March	3.35pm - 7.00pm
Comic Relief - Red Nose Day Non-uniform Day	Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> March	
Swimming Gala @ Darwen Leisure Centre	Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> March	Time tbc
Easter Egg Bingo	Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> March	6.00pm
Dress Rehearsal for Yr 3 & 4 Performance - Whole School	Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> March	PM
Year 4 Violin Performance - Parents welcome	Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> March	2.45pm
Year 3 & 4 Performance - What's the Crime Mr Wolf?	Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> March	2.00pm & 6.00pm
Cross Country @ Darwen Vale	Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> March	3.30pm
<b>School closes for Easter</b>	<b>Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March</b>	<b>1.00pm</b>
<b>School Re-opens</b>	<b>Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April</b>	<b>8.45am</b>
Scholastic Book Fair - School Hall	Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> April - Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> April	3.30pm - 4.00pm
Tempest Photography - Class/Groups Photos	Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> April	AM
Cross Country @ St Peters School	Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> April	3.30pm