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I hope you all had a wonderful summer break and enjoyed some special time with your families. It has been lovely to welcome everyone back to school - the corridors and classrooms have been full of happy, smiling faces, and it's been a joy to see all the children looking so smart and proud in their uniforms.

A very warm welcome to our new families who have joined us this term - we're delighted to have you as part of the Ashleigh family. Just a reminder that our school newsletter is published every other Friday. You can find it on our school website at <a href="https://www.ashleighdarwen.co.uk">www.ashleighdarwen.co.uk</a>, and it will also be sent out via our school app, School Spider, so please keep an eye out.

We have a fun-packed term ahead with lots of exciting learning, activities, and events already underway. We can't wait to share it all with you.

Mr. Matthews and the entire Ashleigh Staff

## YOUNG VOICES

We are delighted to announce that this will be our 18th year participating in the Young Voices concert.

If your child is taking part, rehearsals will begin after school on Tuesday, 16th September, from 3:30 PM to 4:30 PM.

Please ensure your child is collected promptly at 4:30 PM from the car park ramp.



















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## MEET THE TEACHER

On Wednesday 17th September we would like to invite parents/carers to come into school from 3.30pm-4.30pm to meet their child's new class teacher and look around the classroom. This is an ideal opportunity to speak to your child's teacher if you have any questions or concerns.



## FLU IMMUNISATION

Thank you to everyone who has returned the flu vaccination consent forms. Please can any outstanding forms be returned by next Wednesday 17th September.

The Flu immunisations will take place, in school, on Friday 3rd October.



## OPEN EVENING - WEDNESDAY 8TH OCTOBER

On Wednesday 8th October we will be holding an open evening for prospective parents to come and look around school from 6.00pm -7.30pm. If you know any parents whose children will turn 5 after 1st September 2026, it would be great if you could pass on this date to them.

Let them know that if they can't make the 8th October that they can contact school on (01254) 703171 to make an appointment to look round on almost any school day.

Nearer to the date, we will be contacting parents of Y6 children to ask if they can stay and be our tour guides for the evening.



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### SCHOOL MEALS FOR YEAR 3 AND ABOVE

Please note that school meals for children in Years 3 and above are charged at £2.70 per day. The total cost for this term is £108.00.

We kindly ask that payment is made via ParentPay, which is now fully operational following recent technical issues.

If outstanding balances are not settled, we may need to request that a packed lunch is provided for your child until the account is brought up to date.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.



## NAMED UNIFORM

To help prevent lost or mixed-up items, we kindly ask that all children's uniform is clearly marked with their full name. This includes jackets, jumpers, hats, and any other removable items.

Clear labelling makes it much easier for staff to return lost belongings quickly.





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Outdoor learning - Year 4	Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> September	AM
Outdoor learning - Year 3		PM
Mad Science After School Club (letter has been sent	Wednesday 17th September to	3.30-
home, course is now full)	Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> October	4.30pm
Meet the Teacher	Wednesday 17th September	3.30pm- 4.30pm
Outdoor learning - Year 2	Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> September	AM
Outdoor learning - Year 1		PM
Outdoor learning - Reception Rabbits	Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> October	AM
Outdoor learning - Reception Bears		PM
Flu Immunisation - Whole school	Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> October	
Open Evening for 2026 Reception starters	Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> October	6pm-7.30pm
JS Photography Individual and sibling Photos	Wednesday 15th October	
School closes	Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> October	3.30pm
School Re-opens	Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November	8.45am



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