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Summer Term Bulletin

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Dear Parents/Carers

We have had such a fantastic week at Ash Hill! It has been wonderful week with lots of opportunities to share our learning and celebrate with parents and families. A big well done to Year 5 for their fantastic class assembly, and to Year 2 and 3 for their absolutely brilliant violin performances. Year 4 represented Ash Hill brilliantly on their school trip to Bucks Rail Centre too!

Transition Afternoon
On Tuesday all the children visited their new classrooms and spent some time with their new teacher and support staff. It was a lovely afternoon and the children had lots of fun completing 'getting to know you' activities. After school the teachers met together for handover meetings, sharing information about their current classes with their new teacher for next year. These meetings are an important part of our transition at Ash Hill, and the teachers found them very useful. We will be holding Meet the Teacher afternoons in September for parents to come and meet their child's teacher and hear about the curriculum for next year.

Sports Day and Jubilee Picnic
A huge THANK YOU to everyone who joined us for the sports day and jubilee celebration this morning. The children have been so excited about this event and we loved sharing it with you all. Everybody did brilliantly in their events, and we are very proud of the work they presented for the jubilee exhibition too. I hope you enjoyed the picnic. It felt wonderful to finally be able to share an event as a whole community after the covid19 restrictions. We look forward to many more!

EYFS Sports Day
I'd also like to thank all parents and carers who joined us for the EYFS sports day on Wednesday. The staff organised everything brilliantly, and it was hard to believe the children are just 2, 3 and 4 years old, as they were fantastic! They loved having you cheering them on, and were very impressed with those who ran in the mummies and daddies races!

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Upper School Performances
We cannot wait to welcome you to our first Upper School performances in two years next week! We will be holding performances on Tuesday 12th July at 9.15am and Thursday 14th July at 1.45pm. You will have received a letter from Miss Butt last week about how to inform us you will be attending, and we look forward to seeing as many of you there as possible!

11+ Tests in September
If your child is in Year 6 in September, they will be sitting the 11+ early in the school year. The practice tests will take place on 13th September and the actual tests on 15th September. Parents do not need to take any action – this is just for your information, and we will send more details closer to the time.

Best wishes
Mrs Manning
Headteacher

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Attendance W/c 27/06/22

Class	Attendance %	Lates
Reception	93.1	4
Year 1	90.0	3
Year 2	96.4	2
Year 3	94.0	6
Year 4	93.3	5
Year 5	90.7	8
Year 6	90.0	2

Hero—Here Everyday, Ready On time!

100%	Excellent
96 – 99.9%	Good
90 – 95.9%	Needs to improve
89.9% or less	Really needs to improve

Community Mindedness Tokens

Year 1	10
Year 2	22
Year 3	32
Year 4	47
Year 5	74
Year 6	35

Coming Up...

Date	Event
12/07/222	Year 2 class assembly - 2.30pm
20/07/22	Year 6 Leavers assembly - 1.15pm
12/07/22 & 14/07/22	Upper School (Years 4, 5 & 6) - School Summer Production
06/07/22	Nursery & Reception Sports Day 9.30am
07/07/2022	Years 2 and 3 violin concerts
08/07/22	Years 1—6 Sports Day
12/07/22	Reception—Vision Screening
20/07/22	School closes for Summer Break 2:00pm
21/07/22	Extra Leave Day
	INSET DAYS—2022/2023 02/09/22 05/09/22 04/01/2023 17/04/2023 Year 2 & 3 violin concerts 21/07/2023
06/09/2022	Back to school (Autumn Term)

Letters this week ...

- Year 2 & 3 Violin concerts

This Week in School...

Nursery:

Nursery have had a brilliant week thinking about getting bigger and moving onto school. Those children going to Reception spent some time in the lunch room and found out what to expect. They enjoyed a snack in the lunchroom too, as well as a play in the big playground! Next week we will continue transition with groups of children spending time in the Reception environment. The children also had a great time at the EYFS sports day. They all did a fantastic job and we are very proud of all children!

Reception:

The children in Reception class have worked really hard this week on their listening and speaking skills. They have been starting to practise their class assembly and have worked hard to learn the lines and say the words loud and clear. They have been continuing to work on our class story 'Rumble in the Jungle' and have been painting some jungle animal pictures. They have been spending lots of time outside, making different noises with the instruments and using the sports equipment to make up games. The children really enjoyed their sports day. The Reception staff were all really proud of them for taking part, racing against their friends and working really hard in their teams. In maths, the children have been working on lots of mental maths this week, practising counting, ordering numbers and solving problems.

Phonics Link - https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/VDgiXGYh/MHm8v8o8

Year 1

Year 1 have had a good week. They have been working very hard to plan and write their recount about Florence Nightingale. In Maths, we have been learning how to tell the time to half past the hour. In history, we have been learning about how gruesome the hospitals were when Florence Nightingale and Mary Seacole were nurses. We hope you enjoyed seeing our Jubilee project on Friday morning!

Year 2

What an exciting week of learning and fun. The children had a wonderful violin performance, made more special by having the opportunity to perform in the presence of their adults. Sports Day was amazing! The children loved every moment of it. Thank you for sending them in with hats, water bottles and sun-screen. After a successful transition, I can say the Dream Team is definitely ready for year 3. In Writing the children enjoyed giving a recount of how they spent their extra minutes of play, who they spent the time with and what games they engaged in In Maths, we completed our measurement of mass and are now moving unto measuring capacity and volume. In History, we continue to learn about significant explorers and this week we looked at Neil Armstrong and his achievements? Why is he considered to be a significant explorer? The children have had a busy yet very interesting week. They have earned themselves a very relaxing weekend. Enjoy the gorgeous weekend that has been predicted. Have fun in the sun!

Year 3

Year 3 have had such a busy and exciting week! Again, we felt the call to showbiz and performed for our adoring fans. This time, we showcased our immense violin prowess. In other news, we met our new teacher and spent an afternoon with her in our brand new classroom in upper school. We have had a chat about how to cope with change and are excited to thinking about how we're growing up! Miss Bagguley is so proud of us! She tells us everyday how proud she is and how incredible we are.

Year 4:

Year 4: What an action-packed week! We loved meeting our new teacher on Tuesday afternoon and we had a brilliant time at the Buckinghamshire Railway Centre on Wednesday. We went on a real working steam train and our favourite bit was screaming through the tunnel on the miniature railway ride! In English, we have written our own fantastic adventure stories and in Maths, we have learnt about 2D shapes, investigating the different types of triangles. We are also very excited about the production next week and have enjoyed practising our singing and actions, ready for a live audience.

Year 5

It's been another fantastic week in Year 5! On Wednesday, Year 5 proudly stood up in front of parents and Year 6 students to present our class assembly. We showed our ability to work scientifically with some investigations and even had audience participation. We also read out some of our work from the year, shared some pictures of our maths lessons and sang Count on Me. It was a brilliant performance and they should all be very proud of themselves! In maths this week, we've finished our topic on position and direction and have enjoyed working with lines of symmetry. We've also enjoyed reading our class reader, A Series of Unfortunate Events. From Year 5- have a great weekend!

Year 6:

We hope you have all enjoyed the Sports Day and the ice cream!

Year 6 have been extremely busy working on their production! As well as this they have worked hard to compile work that represents the last decade for our jubilee celebration- we hope you enjoyed it this morning! Year 6 have all had their transition days and have spent one or more days at their new schools- this was very exciting- some children have even made new friends already and couldn't wait to share everything they did. Alongside our production rehearsals, we have also started to think about our leaver's assembly.

Your PTA needs you!

We really do need to recruit some new members, whether that be regulars on the committee or just occasional helpers.

If you think you would like to join our friendly group then please contact us at **foah@ashhillprimary.co.uk**

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