



Ashton Gate Primary School

'Rising High Together'

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Children's Individual Photographs

Jefferson Studios will be in school next week to take your child's individual photograph. If you would like sibling photographs please bring your children to either site between 8-8.30am.

Ashton Site MONDAY 13th NOVEMBER 2023

Upton Site TUESDAY 14th NOVEMBER 2023

Appointments

If you need to collect your child early for an appointment or other reason, please complete a Request for Planned Absence form: <https://forms.office.com/e/MF8waxCQ81>

Please be aware that you may be asked to provide evidence for appointments. If a request is not received, then the absence will be marked as an unauthorised absence.

Children in Need

On Friday 17th November, we encourage children to come to school wearing spots and/or Pudsey ears in aid of Children in Need. We ask that, if children would like to dress up, they donate £1.

<https://www.justgiving.com/page/ashton-gate-primary-cin>



Don't forget:

Paper copies of newsletters are available from the school office

DBS Checked Volunteers Wanted

If you have a DBS and would like to help out some of the many Ashton Park School Sport Partnership events that we attend throughout the year, please could you contact Miss Cook, Miss Khan or Mr Hawkins. We try to attend as many competitive sports events as possible and any extra help will enable us to continue to provide these sorts of opportunities for our children.

Flu Vaccination Catch-up Clinics

Children's Flu vaccination (nasal and injection) catch-up clinics are available for all students who did not receive their vaccinations at school. Please book an appointment at <https://imms.sirona-cic.org.uk/flu/2023/book> If you have any queries please contact the Immunisation Team directly on 0300 124 5515 or email sirona.sch-imms@nhs.net

Winter illnesses

Please see information from NHS regarding winter illness.

<https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>

Basketball

On Tuesday a group of year 5/6 children took part in the first of three basketball tournaments. They all played fantastically and won a few of their matches. I know the children are looking forward to the next two tournaments. Well done to the basketball players! Miss Cook.



PTA News this week - The Big PTA Christmas Raffle

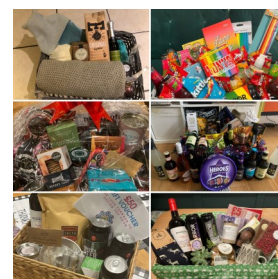
Create your class Christmas raffle prize

Christmas at Ashton Gate has officially arrived! It's time for each class to get creative with a bundle of gifts and prizes to be given away in the raffle event of the year, at the PTA's Christmas Fair.

Your PTA class rep will get you started; here are some suggested steps:

- Find some class buddies to help you organise your prizes
- Decide a theme
- Work out a budget. Run a collection pot, or agree a figure to aim at
- Top tip: can anyone in your class donate a product, professional service or skill? These non-cash contributions making for unique prizes
- Purchase your prizes and bundle them up

Deadline to send us your raffle prizes: **Wednesday 6 December.**



The PTA Christmas fair is coming - we need volunteers!

PTA Christmas Fair | Saturday 9 December | 11am - 3pm

The 2023 PTA Christmas Fair is on its way and it's going to be big. Your little ol' PTA will definitely need some willing volunteers to spend just one hour (or more if you want) running games, stalls, and helping this massive school fundraising event run smooth.

Giving your time has never been easier thanks to [our new SignUp app](#): Follow these simple steps to get involved:

- [Click this link](https://signup.com/client/invitation2/secure/93286566075/false#/invitation): <https://signup.com/client/invitation2/secure/93286566075/false#/invitation>
- Choose a slot

That's it! Once we have all our volunteers, we'll confirm your job nearer the time.

Other dates for your diary

FREE Film night | Tonight | 6.00pm

A SOLD OUT showing of Inside Out. Kids are encouraged to bring blankets!

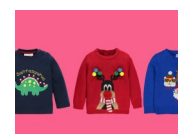


[Buy your Christmas trees](#) | Collection Saturday 2 Dec

We still have some trees left - [grab yours here](https://bookwhen.com/agpta/e/ev-swzn-20231202100000): <https://bookwhen.com/agpta/e/ev-swzn-20231202100000>

PS - donate your unwanted Christmas jumpers

If you've got festive knitwear going spare, please drop it off at school reception next week. They are always popular at our 2nd hand uniform sales.



Get in touch with your PTA

Follow us at [Ashton Gate PTA](#), or drop us a line at ashtongatepta@gmail.com.

Permanent Change of menu

For Term 2, there will be a couple of permanent menu changes.

Thursday of Week 1. The menu choices will now be Sweet and Sour Chicken with rice or Sweet and Sour Vegetables with rice.

Friday of Week 2. The menu choices will now be Fish Fingers or Vegan Sausages.



Jacket Potato—EY & KS1

We are now be able to offer jacket potato on the Ashton site on a Tuesday and Wednesday. You will need to pre order this the week before. A link will be sent out on a Wednesday for you to order your child a jacket potato for the following Tuesday and Wednesday. This order will close on a Friday at 1pm.

After this time you will not be able to place the order.



School Triathlon

Restless Development School Triathlon is back! This event proved to be hugely popular last year! If you were not selected to take part last year and would like to enter into the ballot again this year, then please read the information carefully. The deadline for entries is Friday 24th November.

This event is organised externally by the charity Restless Development so please direct any questions to:

schoolstriathlon@restlessdevelopment.org



ASHTON GATE SCHOOL IS INVITED TO THE SCHOOLS TRIATHLON 2024

The Schools Triathlon is the largest sports fundraising event for children in the UK. Since 2015, more than 25,000 children have raised over £3.4m for Restless Development and 100s of different charities chosen by participating schools. As part of a team, children of all abilities are invited to take on the challenge of swimming, running and cycling to raise money for charity.

When? Sunday 5th May 2024

What is Involved in The Schools Triathlon?

Teams of 4 complete the course as a relay. Each team member will swim (50m / 100m), cycle (1km / 2km) and run (750m). The distances will depend on the child's year group which are split as follows: Years 3 & 4 will participate together, as will Years 5 & 6. Years 7 & 8 will complete the longer distances together.

How Can My Child Enter?

- Create a team of four children
- Choose a team name (the more creative the better!)
- Elect one parent from the team to enter the whole team into the ballot for the event (you will need all participant names and their parent/guardian's email)
- You will receive an email to confirm you have entered your team into the ballot (NB: if you did not receive an email your entry has not gone through)
- If you are successful in the ballot, each participant's parent/guardian will then be emailed directly to complete their child's registration
- The team's place is only secured when all members have completed registration
- **Hoodies are available to preorder during registration, or can be purchased on the day of the event**

Important Information

Your school's deadline for entering the ballot is Friday 24th November 2023.

Due to the high demand for places and limited capacity at the venue, each participating school is limited to a set number of teams.

We aim to notify teams within 3 weeks of your school's deadline.

Where? Clifton College

Who is Invited?

Anyone in Years 3 – 8 can enter
All abilities are invited to participate!

**CLICK HERE TO REGISTER
FOR THE CLIFTON COLLEGE TRIATHLON**



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Fundraising

Each participant must fundraise a minimum of £50, with a target of £100. This can be done through JustGiving. The first £50 raised by each child will go to Restless Development as the organising charity. The second £50 raised will go to your school's chosen charity. Anything raised over £100 will go to Restless Development.

Restless Development

Through education and training Restless Development develops young people's skills so they can support themselves and their community. We support young people all over the world to use their youth power to lead change and tackle challenges they face such as lack of education, unemployment and climate change.



Please check out our FAQs, or email us on
schoolstriathlon@restlessdevelopment.org



@schoolstriathlon

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Date:
Monday 13th November
- Thursday 16th November

Scan the QR code to pay online!



Social Media

We are now on Facebook. Please like our page, we will be using this page to celebrate events and learning moments taking place across the school. We encourage you to invite other parents and family members to join as well, so that too can be part of our vibrant school network.

Rest assured, our Facebook page will prioritise the privacy and security of our children. We will follow all the necessary precautions and guidelines to protect identities and ensure a safe online environment.



Parent Portal

Last year we introduced Parent Portal. This allows us to send you messages and newsletters directly to an app on your phone. It also allows you to submit changes, such as a new phone number or email address.

The video below explains how it works:

Portal Video

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kpyrDjCEOh8>

You can download the app from the following stores

<https://apps.apple.com/gb/app/rm-parent-portal/id1531109058>

https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.rm.parentportalmobile&hl=en_GB&gl=US

Please log onto this and make any necessary changes to ensure we have up to date information.

Reporting Absences



Studybugs

The school absence line will close on Sunday 17th September. If your child is unwell or unable to attend school, you need to report this using the StudyBugs app or using this link - [Studybugs – Parents](#). When reporting absences please add your child's name and class.

Term Dates 2023 to 2024

Friday 1st September to Friday 20th October 2023

Monday 30th October to Friday 15th December 2023

Tuesday 2nd January 2024 to Friday 9th February 2024

Monday 19th February 2024 to Thursday 28th March 2024

Monday 15th April 2024 to Friday 24th May 2024

Monday 3rd June 2024 to Tuesday 23rd July 2024

Inset Days 2023 to 2024

Friday 1st September 2023

Tuesday 2nd & Wednesday 3rd January 2024

Wednesday 19th June 2024

Tuesday 23rd July 2024



BARCLAYS WOMEN'S SUPER LEAGUE



UNDER 12S £1

**BRISTOL CITY VS
MANCHESTER UNITED**

Sunday, November 26th 12.30pm KO



For more details and to purchase tickets, contact Matt Chiles

matt.chiles@bristol-sport.co.uk