



Ashton Gate Primary School

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Reception Stay and Play

The Reception team would like to invite parents/carers to spend some time with their child in school - playing, taking part in activities and exploring the environment with them.

You can attend a session on either:

Wednesday 24th January 8.40 - 9.30 am

Or

Friday 26th January 2.15 - 3.00 pm

There will be a further Stay and Play sessions in Term 5.

Park and Stride

The school has been made aware of several worrying incidents this week relating to parking and driving, particularly at the Ashton site at morning drop-off.

Parents are reminded that the school has an agreement with Aldi that allows you to park in their car park at the start and end of the school day for a maximum of 1 1/2 hours. Please can we request that you take up this offer whenever possible in a bid to keep all members of our community safe, thank you.

Zones of Regulation

Thank you so much to everyone who attended our parent session on the Zones of Regulation last week. Materials and more info can now be found on our website.

Please see below for our next session:

Parent Session: Attention and Listening Difficulties

When: Wednesday 17th January 9:10 am 10:15

Where: Ashton Gate Site

Cat McFadden is an Educational Psychologist and will be delivering a short presentation on strategies to support attention and listening difficulties.

Please use the link below to confirm your attendance

<https://forms.office.com/e/6giB5HvUE1>

Don't forget:

Paper copies of newsletters are available from the school office

School Dinners Booking System

Thank you to all parents who have booked school dinners using the new booking system. We understand that this is a big change and appreciate your support with this. The new booking system has been introduced to ensure that the school can be as efficient as possible when providing school meals and also means that parents will know what their child is having for lunch everyday. As you are aware, the deadline for booking the next week's meals is Wednesday. This is so that the school is able to order all produce required to provide our school lunches. If you are unable to book a school dinner or have forgotten to book, please speak to a member of the administration team who will be able to help you.

PE Survey

We are interested to find out parent views of PE taught in our school. Please complete this survey to offer feedback and suggestions to support the development of Physical Education and extracurricular sporting opportunities at Ashton Gate Primary School.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/PEsurvey>

Thank you,
Miss Khan & Miss Cook

Whatsapp and Online Safety

As a school we look to support children and their adults with online safety as much as possible. We are aware that there have been some disagreements between children over WhatsApp recently. Please be advised that WhatsApp is recommended for people aged 16 and over to use without supervision. Please continue to show an interest in your children's online behaviour so you can celebrate good choices and support with any problems. The links below offer support for parents and carers on the subject of their children using WhatsApp. We also have lots of useful links and suggestions on the Online Safety section of the school website. Mr Anderson will lead an Online safety session after school on the 25th January (times TBC). Please feel free to contact him with any questions or concerns beforehand or speak to your child's class teacher.

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/online-safety-blog/2023-01-12-is-whatsapp-safe-for-my-child/>

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/social-media/chat-apps/>

<https://www.ashtongate.bristol.sch.uk/online-safety-e-safety/>

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NSPCC Game Safe Festival

The links below will take you to NSPCC websites offering online training and support for parents/carers and those that work with young people who enjoy online gaming and activities.

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/charity-events/game-safe-festival/>

https://ww1.emma-live.com/GameSafe/purchase_tickets

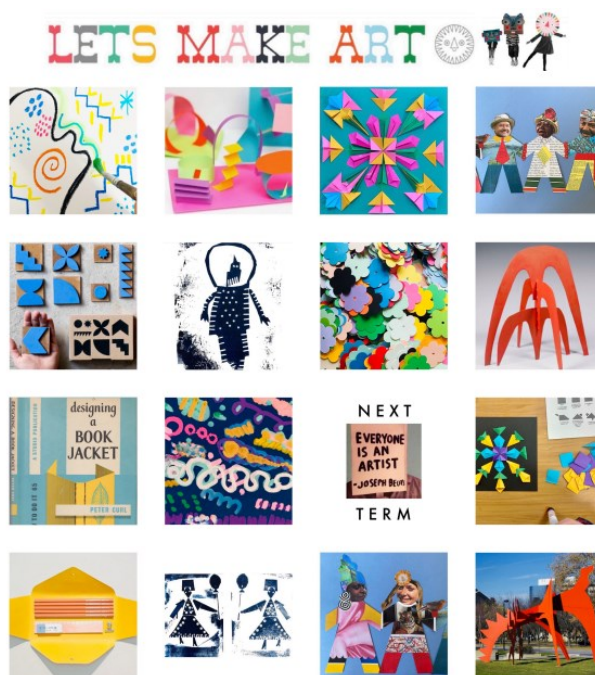
Clubs

Spanish Club

There is still space on KS1 Spanish Club please contact claudiasernazuleta@gmail.com for more information.

Art Club

Still have spaces on the KS2 clubs, please see flyer for more information



Let's Make Art >>> Art For Schools >>> After School Enrichment >>> Ashton Gate Primary School

All places for KS1 Art Club on Tuesdays are now sold out. Please add yourselves to the waiting list to receive a priority link to book for terms 5 and 6 - <https://www.tickettailor.com/events/letsmakeartuk/1062846>

There are only a few places left for Tuesday and Thursday KS2 Art Clubs. Above is a taster of what we have planned for your artists next term, including: printing, collage, sculpture, designing, painting and illustration.

Please visit to book - <https://buytickets.at/letsmakeartuk>

Our Instagram [Let's Make Art](#) or [Art For Schools](#) shows more of what we get up to.

Places are limited and bookings are made on a first-come/first-served basis for two terms. Let's Make Art for Schools facilitators are DBS checked and fully insured. Contact >> info@letsmakeart.co.uk or 07974332213

Ashton Gate Out of School Care We Are Hiring

We are looking for a new **Playworker** to join our busy Ofsted registered 'Met' rated after school club.

We provide wrap-around care and deliver a wide range of activities for around 500 children and are committed to the safeguarding and welfare of young people.

If you have a passion for working with children AGOSC could be just the right job for you.

Post subject to DBS and reference checks.



For four days per week.

After school club hours: 2:45 – 6:15pm
term time only.

Holiday Playscheme cover shifts available.

Rate of Pay: £11.10 per hour

Closing date:	On-going
Interview date:	On-going
Start date:	On-going

For more information or an application pack

Call **01179 833426** or **07366976530**

Or email: bellaw@agosc.com

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

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

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

Wednesday 19th June 2024

Tuesday 23rd July 2024



PTA NEWS

What's new this week?

The PTA have been beavering away on getting the new year started, thinking about our next set of events, and cooking up fundraising ideas for 2024.

Dates for your diary

Our **next PTA meeting** is on **18 January**. If you'd like to come along and contribute, or just see what happens at a PTA meeting, drop us an email or a message via your class rep!

Keep an eye out for our incredibly popular **school discos** (for the kids), and **pub quiz** (for the adults), coming this March. We'll confirm the dates soon.

And, the **PTA Summer Fair** is confirmed for Saturday 6 July!

Play your part with Ashton Gate PTA

With your help, the PTA aims to enrich the time of all the children at Ashton Gate Primary. This year we want to give you more options than ever to do that - through volunteering, donating, sharing ideas or just enjoying our events. Watch this space for more.

Until then, follow us at [Ashton Gate PTA](#), or drop us a line at ashtongatepta@gmail.com. See you next week!

How can I get my child to eat healthier if they won't try new things?



Peter Humbles, Family Nutritionist

Our top 6 tips to tackle fussy eating at home

1. The big "why"? Why don't they try new things? Are there tastes or textures they love or hate?

2. Check your language. Aim for encouraging language and avoid labelling. Swap "my child doesn't eat vegetables" for "my child loves sweetcorn."

3. Lower anxiety at mealtimes. Phones away and focus on chatting. There's no need to pressure them to try new foods.

Get **FREE** support to get your family healthier

Join programmes starting in January, or start online programmes now!

4. Exposure. Get them to pick out fruits and veg when you're out shopping and ask them to help chop them up.

5. Routine. Set mealtimes to build regular habits and aim for 2 healthy snacks per day between meals.

6. Make it fun! Make funny face pizzas and add some new toppings.



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Scan the code

...or click here
to find out more

Sign up today!



12th January 2024

Bristol City WFC v West Ham WFC

Please email matt.chiles@bristol-sport.co.uk if you require more assistance



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ADULTS
~~£10~~ **£7.50**

UNDER-19
~~£6~~ **£4.50**

UNDER-12
~~£5~~ **£3.75**

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BRISTOL CITY
VS WEST HAM

Sunday, January 28th 2pm KO