



# Ashton Gate Primary School

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### Messages from Teachers

#### **Year 6**

#### **WW1 Museum**

To celebrate our learning on WW1, we would like to invite Y6 families to the Upton hall from 9-10am on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> November.

Please ensure children bring in their projects on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> November.

If you are unable to attend, there will be lots of photos on the website. Looking forward to seeing the wonderful creations and information that they have produced.

#### **Thank you**

Year 6 would like to send out a massive thank you to all parents who have helped out and supported us on all our recent trips. These couldn't go ahead without you, so we are all very grateful!

### Clubs

There are still spaces on Spanish Club

KS1 Spanish – Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> Jan-22<sup>nd</sup> March

KS2 Spanish - Friday 12<sup>th</sup> Jan-22<sup>nd</sup> March

Bookings can be made here: <https://spanishconclaudia.uk/ashton-gate>

### Talking About Emotions: Zones of Regulation

We will be holding a parent session to present our whole school policy of Zones of Regulation.

We will be discussing how to talk to children about big feelings and share useful strategies for managing emotional dysregulation.

Where: Ashton Gate site

When: 9:10am on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> December

Please let us know you would like to attend by completing the form using the link below:

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



Paper copies of newsletters are available from the school office

### **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 25<sup>th</sup> 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/>

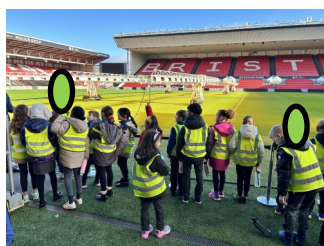
<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/social-media/chat-apps/>

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

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### **Ashton Gate Stadium**

Some pupils in Year 5 went on a tour of Ashton Gate this week. They were given an amazing tour which included an opportunity to visit the changing rooms, the players tunnel, the pitch and a chance to sit in the home team dug out. Thanks to Matt Chiles at Bristol Sport for this terrific experience.



### **Join us for a Parent Coffee Morning with the school Nurse**

This is a great opportunity to meet our school nurse to answer questions you may have, or just come for a chat with other parents.

#### **What Advice can we offer?**

We can advise on issues such as sleep, continence, healthy eating/lifestyles, behaviour & emotional health or any other concerns you may have about your child's physical or mental health.



Ashton Site - Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December

8.45am-9.45am

EVERYONE IS WELCOME (including little ones)



### The PTA Christmas fair - just 2 weeks to go

The biggest school fundraising event of the year is just around the corner!

**Saturday 9 December | 11am - 3pm**

We are so excited to welcome the Ashton Gate community to our huge festive celebration. All profits from the fair will be donated to our amazing school.

**All are welcome** to come and enjoy the day. We'll see you there.

#### Raffle tickets - now on sale!

Thanks to the efforts of your PTA class reps, we have a stack of INCREDIBLE prizes coming your way for our spectacular raffle.

You can buy your tickets now using this link to have a shot at winning big, just in time for Christmas.

**<https://bookwhen.com/agpta/e/ev-s8in-20231128000000>**

**Some of our prizes themes include...**

Family night in - Ladybirds

Cosy reading - Caterpillars

Cash in a Box - 5H

Christmas Giving - 4C

A Festive Feast - Beech

Merry & Bright - Elm

Tickets: **<https://bookwhen.com/agpta/e/ev-s8in-20231128000000>**

#### Some more jolly Christmas fair reminders

We still need volunteers! Just an hour of your time will make a heap of difference. [Sign up here.](#)

Please bring your unwanted cuddly toys and Christmas jumpers to school reception over the next few days. We shall make treasures of them!

Cakes! If you'd like to donate something delicious to the fair's cake stall, please bring it along on the day.

♪ [Christmas trees, oh Christmas trees](#), we have a few remaaiinning ♪ Collection 2 December.

Buy here: **<https://bookwhen.com/agpta/e/ev-swzn-20231202100000>**

### 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.



## MURMURATION COMMUNITY THERAPY



### New SEND Parent Carer Nurture Groups

Starting January 2024: 8 sessions to build  
emotional wellbeing and friendship  
amongst a small group of SEND parents.

#### Brislington - Tuesdays - 1-2:30pm

Broomhill Children's Centre, Fermaine Ave, Brislington, BS4 4UY

#### Upper Horfield - Wednesdays 10.30am - 12noon

Upper Horfield Children's Centre, 34 Sheridan Rd, Horfield, BS7 0PU

#### Eastville - Wednesdays 8 - 9.30pm

Nissen Hut, Eastville Park, Fishponds Rd, Eastville, BS5 6XA

Places are free, we welcome donations.

FOR MORE INFO AND TO BOOK VISIT  
[MURMURATIONCOMMUNITYTHERAPY.COM](https://murmurationcommunitytherapy.com)



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### 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](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

