



# Ashton Gate Primary School

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## Ashton Gate Primary School News & Information

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### Messages from teachers

Headlice has been reported in year 3 and year 5. Please check and treat your child's hair accordingly.

### Parent Session - Dyslexia and Reading Delay

We are delighted to announce that a representative from the Bristol Dyslexia Centre will be delivering a short presentation on dyslexia and reading delay.

We will look at practical strategies for supporting children with their reading at home and at school.

When? Monday 11<sup>th</sup> March 2024 - 9:15am

Where? Ashton Gate site

### A little reminder that World Book Day is on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2024



Throughout the school children will be participating in activities to inspire and encourage an atmosphere of reading for pleasure. We invite children to come to school dressed as an inspiring book characters on this day, or as an alternative perhaps children would like to join the staff in embracing the biggest book of words there is ... The Dictionary, and dressing as their favourite word!



### Invitation to be a Mystery Reader:



During the week beginning Monday 4<sup>th</sup> March we invite pupil's family members to pop in as 'mystery' or surprise readers to their child's class. If you are available to come in at any point please do let the class teacher know and come surprise your child with a story.

Don't forget:

Paper copies of newsletters are available from the school office

### Parent Governor Election

We are pleased to announce Kate Jarman has been elected the new Parent Governor.

### CST consultation

Following recent parent consultation meetings a document with questions and answers is now on the website. Please use this link to access the page on our website.

<https://www.ashtongate.bristol.sch.uk/page/?title=Academy+Consultation&pid=189>

### International Women's Day

On Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March it is International Women's Day. To show support, the children can come in wearing something purple. We will also be having an assembly in which our Gender Champions of the school have created a video to explain the importance of this day and how they will help to ensure our school promotes gender equality. The classes will have an opportunity to further these discussions, in class, on the day.



International Women's Day

**Wear something**

**purple**

**as a sign of support!**

**MARCH 8**

Learn more at [www.internationalwomensday.com](http://www.internationalwomensday.com)

## PTA News this week

### The PTA Pub Quiz - sold out!

Our latest PTA fundraising event - the Pub Quiz - sold out in just an hour! Thank you so much for your amazing support. The big brains amongst the PTA are hard at work crafting questions to test the wits of our teams.

Did you miss out on the quiz? Drop us a line at [ashtongatepta@gmail.com](mailto:ashtongatepta@gmail.com), and we'll do what we can to alert you if a table comes free.

### Wanted - talented grown-ups for the PTA Summer Fair

Are you, or do you know, a musician, comedian, magician or otherwise talented person?

If yes - could you wow the crowds at our Summer Fair on **Saturday 6 July**? If you'd like to be part of the entertainment at our huge end-of-year bash, let us know at [ashtongatepta@gmail.com](mailto:ashtongatepta@gmail.com).

And if you're not feeling like performing, we'll be seeking all-important volunteers for the event, so please keep the date free if you'd like to help out.



### 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



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

