

Headteacher's Newsletter

10/10/22



Together Everyone Achieves More

Dear Parents and Carers,

Firstly, thank you for your understanding about the severe leaking in school last week. This appears to be due to blocked drains linked to the ongoing roofing work. The situation seems to have improved and there were no leaks today even though we had heavy rain over the weekend.

M6 Theatre Visit

We will be having a visit from the M6 Theatre company on Thursday. This will be for Years 1 and 2 in the morning and Years 3,5 and 6 in the afternoon. Year 4 will not be watching this time as they will be seeing the play at the M6 theatre as part of their Linking Project work.

The play is set in an allotment and a stage will be set up in the hall for the performance. For this reason, children will be having lunch in their classrooms just for the day.

The cost of the performance is £250 and we would very much appreciate any donation that you could give towards this cost.

Parent Governor

We currently have a vacancy for a parent governor. If you are interested in this important role then please contact me via the office for further information or speak to Mrs Shabana Anwar for further details.

Caretaker Vacancy

I am disappointed to tell you that Mr Mayfield, our new caretaker

School Priorities

I would like to share the areas that we will be especially focusing on during the year. A copy of the school development plan will be available to view shortly on the school website:

- To develop pupils' reasoning skills
- To continue to develop our well-being provision
- To maintain a focus on raising standards in English and maths
- To further develop speech, language and communication across school
- To continue to develop enrichment opportunities for pupils
- To increase opportunities for parental engagement

Please keep a look out for information from class teachers about an opportunity to visit a reading lesson in the coming weeks.

As a school we are working towards a Science mark award, a further mental health award with Leeds Beckett University and Eco school status. This work will help to enhance provision for our pupils.

Mrs Begum and I have been asked by the Local Authority to support with a reading project for other schools across the LA which is a good opportunity to showcase what we do at Ashfield Valley and to work with other schools.

After School Clubs

Please remember that clubs finish at 4pm and this is when children should be picked up. If parents are consistently late for club pick up, then we will have to offer the place to another child. Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.

Some good news

Well done to Year 2 who have made a huge improvement in their focus and attention during learning time – what a wonderful class of superstars!

Well done to the pupils in Year 4 who have been busy being kind.

Thank you to the 2 Year 6 girls for your hard work with a video for the website.

Read, read, read

Please remember the importance of reading to and with your children – this is one of the most valuable ways to support your child’s learning.

If you have any questions or concerns, please speak to your child’s teacher or either myself or Mrs Begum – we will be happy to help.

With kind regards, Mrs H Edge