

ASH GREEN WEEKLY NEWS



Next week is a busy one! On Tuesday, any Year 6 child whose family has signed up for the Fair Banding Assessment to go to Trinity Academy Halifax or Trinity Grammar (formerly TA Sowerby Bridge and NOT a Grammar School!!) will take this assessment in their class at Ash Green- it is essential all Y6 are in on Tuesday! The week also sees Mrs Rayner's children travelling to Abbey House Museum on Wednesday morning. We are sure they will have a fantastic time just like 1W did this week!

What's for Lunch?

On **Thursday 7 October** to promote our fabulous school meals and the Universal Free School Meals and Free School Meals take up, school **will provide a school lunch for ALL eligible children.**

HOT DOGS AND TOASTIES!



Remember, any child in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 is eligible for a free meal.

Please support school with this promotion and encourage your child to have a delicious school lunch. Our lunch menu is available on the school website.

If you would like further information, please call at the school office.

VIRTUAL PARENTS EVENING

Due to the current situation and safety of our community, we will be introducing a Virtual Parents' Evening that will allow parents to book appointments online and meet the class teacher via video.

Appointments will last 5 minutes and this will cover:

- How your child has settled in
- How you can help your child
- Their current attainment and target grades
- Opportunity for any concerns

Please look out for the app for further notices and if you have not already done so, ensure that the school office has your most recent email address.

Thank you.

SCHOOL PHOTOS



If you have misplaced/lost the information to order a school photo of your child, the admin team now have the access code you will need.

Please ring the school office and admin will look up the number for you.

WELCOME

We send a warm welcome to Miss Jones who will be joining our Admin team soon as Mrs Turner will leave us to have her second baby.

Next Friday (8 October) is **Mental Health Day**. We are encouraging pupils to dress in yellow clothing to raise money for Young Minds.

This can include a yellow hat, t-shirt or even a pair of socks!

We ask that pupils bring a donation of 50p or more.

Classes will spend the afternoon focusing on mindfulness activities!



Lunch time!

We have been trialling a different system for KS2 lunches over the last couple of days which the children and staff have given a big thumbs up to! It means there are less children having to sit for longer in the Dining Hall- this created a bit of boredom and noise! This means that for short times we have 3 year groups playing OUTSIDE together which the children have loved. The children remain within their own class groups INSIDE for eating and learning. Our Risk Assessment has been updated to reflect this change.



Just a reminder that we have a vacancy for a parent governor and the closing date for nominations is **Monday 4 October at 9.30am**.

A letter and nomination forms were sent home with the children on 20 September and all this information is on our website:

www.ashgreen.info.

We have a fantastic team of governors who are very committed to the school and community. Please have a look at the information and if you have any questions, you are welcome to pop in and see Mrs Lovelady, clerk to the governors, at the Lower Site office, or please ring her on **244613**.

HEY YOUTH THE ROCKSTEADY CREW



Next week, we have 'Rocksteady' music workshops going on in school. The children will have special assemblies at each site and then the chance to work with a professional musician on Wednesday (Upper Site) and Thursday (Lower Site) to learn an instrument. Children will also be able to follow this up with tuition if families desire.

COVID 19 SYMPTOMS, TESTS, FOLLOW UP!

Remember that if anyone in your family is showing symptoms of Covid 19:

- A high temperature for any period of time
- A new and continuous cough
- A loss of smell or taste

That person will need a Covid 19 PCR test. For this, follow:

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/>

Now that we have returned, Calderdale guidance is:

If a child or staff member shows these symptoms they should NOT come into school/will be sent home from school. A test should be arranged. When the test is negative they can return.

If a test is positive that person would need to isolate for 10 days and we would contact the families of anyone we felt may have been a contact.

There is no longer a requirement for children under 18 or double jabbed adults to isolate as contacts. However, the recommendation is that those contacts- including household members of the positive case- take a PCR test, they do not have to isolate unless that test proved positive. At Ash Green, if we hear of a positive case then we WILL inform the families of children who may have been contacts and recommend that they take a PCR test but those children CAN still come to school. If the child subsequently showed symptoms then they would have to isolate for 10 days or take a PCR test which if negative would mean they could return.

It remains such a difficult time for us all. Covid cases are still worryingly high and we must put continued measures in place to support distancing, increased hygiene and prevent widespread contact between groups. The safety and welfare of our children, families and staff members is paramount.

T E R M - D A T E S

SPRING

SUMMER

HALF TERM	CLOSE – FRIDAY 22 OCTOBER	RE-OPEN – MONDAY 1 NOVEMBER
CHRISTMAS	CLOSE – FRIDAY 17 DECEMBER	RE-OPEN TUESDAY 4 JANUARY 2022
HALF TERM	CLOSE – FRIDAY 18 FEBRUARY	RE-OPEN – MONDAY 28 FEBRUARY
EASTER	CLOSE – FRIDAY 8 APRIL	RE-OPEN MONDAY 25 APRIL
MAY DAY – CLOSE – MONDAY 2 MAY		
ADDITIONAL ROYAL BANK HOLIDAY	MONDAY 6 JUNE	TRAINING DAY – TUESDAY 7 JUNE
HALF TERM	CLOSE – FRIDAY 27 MAY	RE-OPEN WEDNESDAY 8 JUNE
MID-SUMMER	CLOSE – FRIDAY 22 JULY	

AUTUMN

WINTER