



Term: Autumn Term  
Date: 20<sup>th</sup> October 2023

# Ashworth Nursery School

Where Happy Children Learn

## Upcoming dates

**Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October** -  
Nursery school closes for  
half term

**Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> October** -  
Nursery school re-opens at  
8.30am

**6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup> November** -  
Story time in Key Person  
groups

**Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November** -  
National Nursery Rhyme  
Week

**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November** -  
Children in Need: Wear  
brightly coloured / spotty  
clothes

**Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December** -  
Christmas Craft session  
with parents

**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December** -  
Christmas performance

**Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> December** -  
Nursery school closes for  
the Christmas holidays

**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> December** -  
Staff training day

**Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2024**  
- Nursery school re-opens  
at 8.30am



## A message from Mrs Jackson

Dear families,

I can't believe a whole half term has passed already. The children have made so much progress with their learning and play.

It has been lovely to see so many parents in Nursery this week for our Story Time sessions. We hope that you enjoyed coming into Nursery and seeing what we do. There will be lots more opportunities to come and join in with different events throughout the year, which is a great way for us to work in partnership with you.

Thank you as always for your support,

Mrs Jackson

## Other information

Don't forget, Nursery closes today for the half-term holiday.

We currently have a vacancy for a Parent Governor. Our Governing Body meet every term to help to lead and support our Nursery. If you think this is something you might be interested in, please speak to Mrs Jackson.

A reminder that children should wear black school shoes / boots every day. This ensures everyone looks smart and feels part of our school community.

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November is 'Children in Need' day. Children can come to Nursery wearing colourful / spotty clothing instead of uniform for a donation to charity. We will be selling some biscuits that the children make at the end of each session. Please support in any way that you can.

## Learning

This week we have been learning about Autumn.

We have read the story 'Fletcher and the falling leaves' and explored lots of Autumn activities. Your child has brought home an activity sheet with ideas of some activities to do over the half term holiday if you choose.



## Attendance

At the end of this half-term you will get a letter about your child's attendance. Please ask for advice at the office if you are unsure if your child is well enough to come to Nursery.

Did you know....

We have 190 school days.  
190 opportunities for learning.

190 days 100% EXCELLENT	8 days absence and lost learning 182 days 97% VERY GOOD	19 days absence and lost learning	29 days absence and lost learning	38 days absence and lost learning	48 days absence and lost learning
		171 days 90% POOR Worrying.	161 days 85% VERY POOR	152 days 80% VERY POOR	142 75% SERIOUS CONCERNS
This is the best chance of success. Get your child off to a flying start. You should be aiming for 97% and above.		Less chance of success. Needs to try harder to make progress.	Serious concerns. Not fair on your child :(		

175 non- school days in a year means 175 days for family time including holidays.

Parents of children with poor attendance will be invited to meet with the Headteacher to discuss strategies to improve attendance.

## Communication

We will continue to send out Newsletters at regular intervals throughout each term. Please make a note of the important information. In addition, you can find Ashworth Nursery School website by scanning this QR code here:



Please also follow our Facebook page by scanning this QR code here:



Lots of updates will come through Facebook in particular and it is a good way of finding out what goes on.



## Uniform Reminder

It is expected that children wear full uniform and arrive smart and ready to learn. As the weather is changing, children also need a warm waterproof coat in Nursery School everyday.



Please make sure all items of clothing have a 'stick in' name label  
(Please see Miss Barrow in the school office about how to order stick in labels).



## School Fund Reminder

You are now able to pay for school fund using the online payment service. A message has been sent from the office explaining how to set this up. Alternatively, you can pay by cash. Please remember to give your weekly donation of £2 to cover the cost. This money makes a HUGE difference.