



# ASHDENE PRIMARY SCHOOL

TUESDAY 17TH DECEMBER

# NEWSLETTER

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Communication and Teamwork

### This week's RESPECT value champions are:

RB	Leila M
RG	Megan L
1H	Zoe H
1SH	James T
2C	Lara Y
2G	Florence W
3B	TJ Reagan
3H	Sophia P
4C	Rosa R-A
4I	Michael M
5B	Connie L
5AG	Ruben H
6R	Megan F
6RG	Sebastian P-C



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# Personal Development



## Choir - Wilmslow Library Visit

Well done to Ashdene choir who performed to the public in Wilmslow Library last week spreading some festive cheer.

Thank you to all our parent helpers who walked with us and thanks to everyone who was able to come and hear the children sing. Choir - you were fabulous!



## Reception and KS1 Panto

The children loved the performance and enjoyed the snow! The children demonstrated all of our school RESPECT values and their behaviour was commented on by the staff that worked there. A huge thank you to all the parents that volunteered and came with us; we hope you enjoyed it as much as we did.



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## KS2 Panto



On Monday, KS2 children enjoyed a panto trip to Stockport Plaza to see a fantastic performance of Sleeping Beauty.

It was lots of fun, with some fantastic singing and dancing by all the children! Many thanks to the parent volunteers for their help.

## Year 1 Parent Visit

On Friday, Year 1 had a visit from Emily's dad to talk to us about his job as a senior engineering director at a video games developer. This supported the children's learning about programming which they have been doing in their computing lessons this half term and the use of Scratch Jr. The children were very excited to learn about the projects Mr Brown had worked on and really enjoyed his Christmas Santa live animation.



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# Pupil Leadership

## Active Ambassadors

This half term, the Active Ambassadors have been busy helping to keep Ashdene Active. Every Friday lunchtime, the team have gone around school to collect the active minutes from each KS2 class in preparation of awarding the prestigious Active Class trophy in Monday's celebration assembly. This week, the team met up with Mr. Carpenter as after Christmas they will be working to get their classes even more active during active break. They have been set a task to think of new activities which will raise the heartrates of their classmates.

Watch this space!



At Ashdene, we are always keen for people to come into school to talk about their chosen careers. At the moment, we would like parents or family friends to come into school to talk about what they do in the sports industry. This can be in areas such as health and fitness, medical, research, professional competition etc. (Please contact the school office)



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## Reading Ambassadors

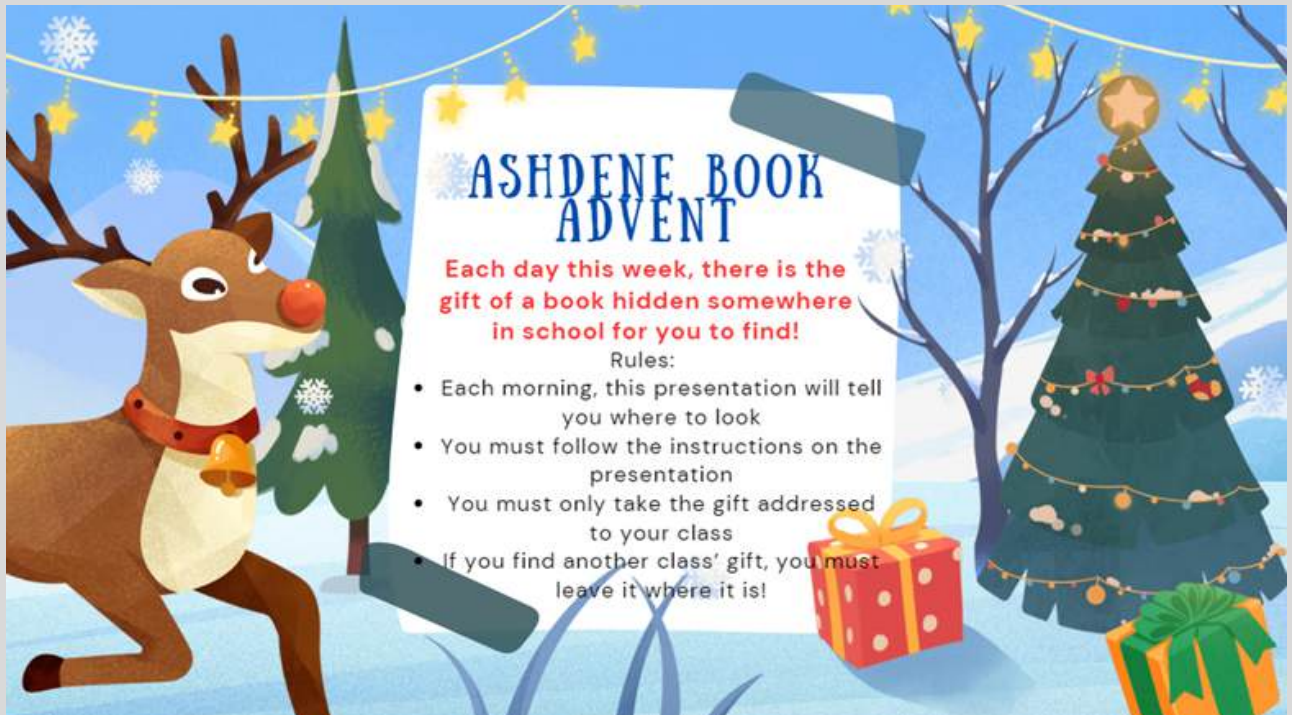
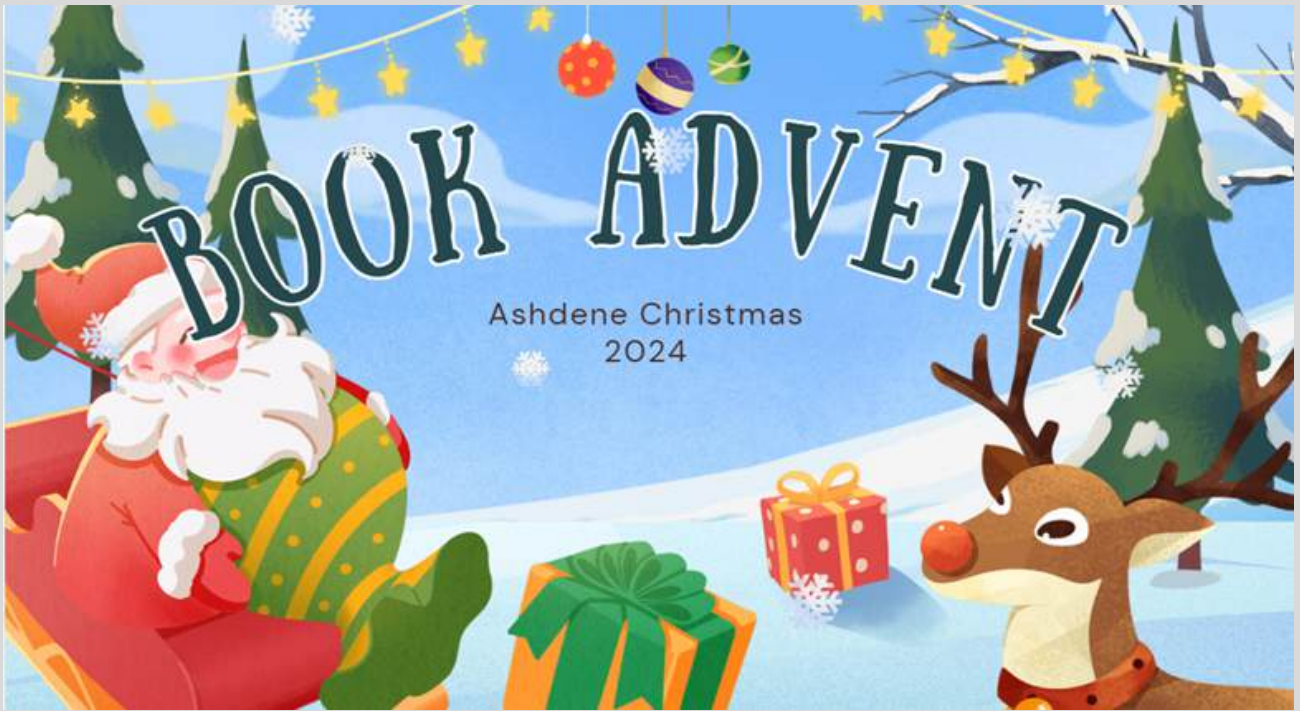
This week is the Ashdene book advent and we will be counting down to Christmas with a gift hunt each day! The children have already had a lot of fun hunting in their classrooms and the library.

The Reading Ambassadors were busy on Monday morning hiding more book gifts around Wilmslow! If you find one, it is yours to keep and enjoy, or re-gift! Do you recognise any of these hiding spots?



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# Ashdene Book Advent



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## Teaching Support Team

Thank you to our wonderful Teaching Support Team who have been busy this term helping all of our teachers.

They do an incredible job supporting our teachers by tidying classrooms, organising books, and preparing for lessons.

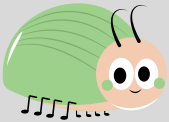
All their help is greatly appreciated, and we are very lucky to have them!



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## Eco Warriors

The KS2 eco warriors have met to discuss the biodiversity at our school. We identified areas for development such as creating bug hotels and water stations for wildlife and thought about where a nice peaceful place would be to create this. We are excited to start this next year and will keep you updated on our progress!



## Sport

### Active Ambassadors



Well done to 4I for being the KS2 Active Class of the Week with 115.5 extra active minutes.



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## Netball Competition

The Year 5 & 6 netball team played at Wilmslow High School last week in a league against other local schools. The team was captained by Winnie with assistance from Isabella. All of the team played well and showed all of Ashdene's RESPECT values. Special mentions to Maya and Sylvie who created a great shooting partnership, and also to the defence - particularly Sophie. Great effort all round and the team came second, so well played everyone.



Huge thanks to staff for taking the time to play in a match against the children who attend Mrs Prior's netball club. It was just for fun - apparently - but everyone did seem to take it all very seriously! Great resilience and teamwork shown by everyone - children and adults alike! Well played everyone! Netball club has now finished until HT4, when the evenings will be a bit lighter again. Thank you to everyone for your support this term.

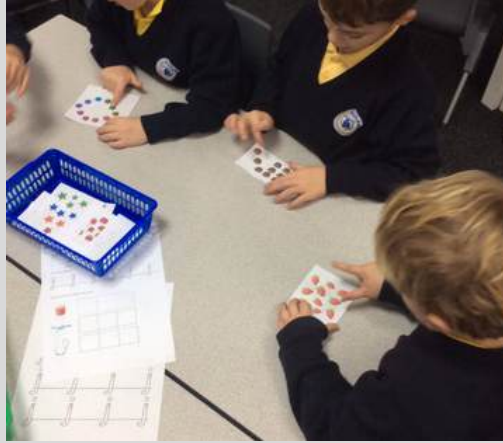
Mrs Prior



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# This Week In Pictures

## Reception



## Year 1



## Year 2



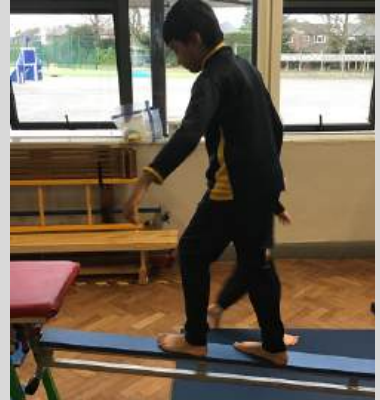
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# This Week In Pictures

## Year 3



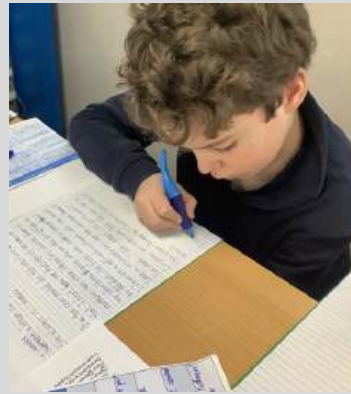
## Year 4



## Year 5



## Year 6



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# Attend. Achieve. Succeed.



Attendance	
RB	94.3%
RG	97.7%
1H	98.7%
15H	95%
2C	98.7%
★ 2G	99.7%
3B	96.7%
3H	98.7%
4C	85.3%
4I	95.8%
5AG	96.3%
5B	95%
6R	98.4%
6RG	95.2%

Equates to:	Percentage	Quality
100%	PERFECTION	
98%	IMPRESSIVE	
96%	GOOD	
95%	NEARLY THERE	
94%	NEEDS TO IMPROVE	
90%	CONCERNS	
85%	SERIOUS CONCERNS	

## Attendance

### Update

Our attendance target is 97%. We all need to work together on ensuring children are in school EVERY day and not missing any learning.

Our attendance for the week is:

96%

Our attendance for the year to date is:

97%



Well done **2G** on their impressive attendance last week!



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# Reading Leaderboard

**READING LEADERBOARD**

**Ashdene**

**Year 3**  
Henry G  
Leonard C  
Hari C  
James F  
Luke W  
Aya P  
Oliver P  
Ella W  
Rosie D  
Alice S  
Cole W  
Emily B  
Sophia B  
Daisy F  
Theo S  
Nia R  
Sophia D  
William H  
Haleh B  
Benjamin B  
Maggie M-S  
Milo A  
Elsie L-H

**Year 4**  
Dario B  
Rose E  
Teddy G  
Violet F  
Annie B  
Reeva P  
Ella-Daisy R  
George G  
Isla F  
Elias Z  
Felix C  
Edward A  
Ralph M  
Jessica S  
Henry D  
Lucas McC  
Rosa R-A  
Sophia R-A  
Oliver E-C  
Thomas H  
Natalya W  
Jasper F  
Rajveer S

Huw V  
Kingston H  
Francesca M-S

**Year 5**  
Clara C  
Florence E  
Georgina K  
Teodor K  
Lia T  
Connie L  
Austin S  
Bibi W  
Harry T  
Marco W  
James P  
Maddie A  
Olivia B  
Amelia P  
Arselia D  
Georgia L  
Nicolas S  
Edward W  
Emily H  
Lucy J  
Libby K  
Asato M

**Year 6**  
Emily B  
Megan F  
Thea McG  
Elliot S  
Ronan F  
Isabella M  
Henry E  
Lucy C  
Teddy C  
Anna P  
Elizabeth D  
Sylvie G  
Leon H  
Harper K  
Levi R  
Sophia B  
Amy M  
Eleanor P  
Eliza W

## PE Days HT3

Please see below for the PE days for HT3. On these days, children should come to school wearing their PE kit.

Year Group	PE days
Reception	Tuesday and Friday
Year 1	Monday and Thursday
Year 2	Wednesday and Friday
Year 3	Monday and Wednesday
Year 4	Monday and Tuesday
Year 5	Monday and Thursday
Year 6	Wednesday and Friday



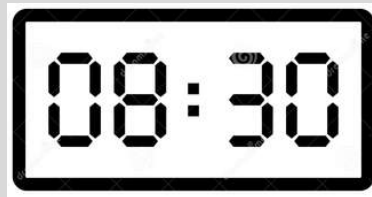
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# Morning Interventions

Next half term's morning club invitations were handed out yesterday. Please note that if your child did not receive a letter, they have not been invited to attend a session. It is important that children arrive promptly to start at 8:30am to utilise the time.

In a bid to avoid disrupting learning, anybody who arrives more than 5 minutes late will not be able to attend sessions.

If you have a query regarding the morning clubs, please contact your child's class teacher.

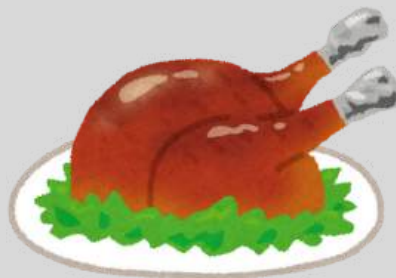


## Tights and Socks

We currently have no spare tights and socks in school. We would be grateful for any donations. Please can these be dropped into the school office.

## Christmas Lunch

If your child normally has a packed lunch on Thursday, but would like the Christmas Lunch, please make sure this is ordered through the SchoolGrid ordering system before 8.55am on Thursday 19th December.



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# Christmas Parties

On Friday 20th December, all classes will be having their Christmas party. All children can come to school in non-uniform/party clothes on this day. If your child has a PE lesson on a Friday, please ensure the clothes they wear are suitable for PE lessons.



## Parent Lunch

If you would like to attend the **Year 3** parent lunch on **Thursday 23rd January at 11.30am**, please book a place by emailing your food choice from the menu below to [admin@ashdene.cheshire.sch.uk](mailto:admin@ashdene.cheshire.sch.uk).

(please note this is an invite for parents to experience the new school meal provision; there is no charge)

The deadline for booking a place is Wednesday 8th January at 4PM - no orders can be accepted after this date.

### MENU

Tomato and Herb Pasta Bake

Beef Chilli Con Carne with Nachos

Jacket potato -cheese-beans-cheese and beans-tuna-vegan cheese

Cheese and ham melt

Cheese and ham wrap



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# Sporting Achievements

Darcie from Year 4 competed in the Wilmslow Academy of Dance Gymnastics competition. She did incredibly well. Having never achieved a first place before, she won three first places, one second place, a first overall and the coveted gymnast of the year. Well Done!



Over summer, Leo Clapham (3H) and Henry Phillips (3H) took part in a tennis tournament for Alderley Edge tennis club. They played against several teams in Cheshire, playing in a team of 4, in both singles & doubles tennis. They reached the final and after a day of playing, they won for Alderley Edge! Both Leo and Henry have now been selected to play tennis for county Cheshire! What an incredible achievement!



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# WFA Free Taster Session

We're excited to invite your **Year 4 to 6 boys and girls** to a free taster session at our WFA Afterschool Football Club!

## Details of the Session

 When: Monday 6th January

 Time: 3:30 PM – 4:30 PM

 Where: School Field



This is a wonderful opportunity for your child to experience the joy of football in a fun, friendly, and supportive environment.

During the session, we'll focus on:

- Basic skills and ball mastery.
- Team play and tactics.
- Building confidence and fostering a love for the game.

Whether your child is new to football or has tried it before, this trial session is designed to ensure everyone feels welcome and encouraged.

## Why Join?

- Play alongside friends and classmates.
- Discover the fun and excitement of afterschool football.
- Explore the possibility of joining us for the rest of the term!

Spaces are limited, so sign up now to secure your child's spot:

[https://www.academyfootball.co.uk/after-school-club-registration/?club\\_id=2](https://www.academyfootball.co.uk/after-school-club-registration/?club_id=2)

Please note: Only registered children will be able to attend the session.

If you have any questions, feel free to reach out to us directly. We're here to help!

Looking forward to seeing your child on the field



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## AFTER SCHOOL FOOTBALL REGISTRATION FORM



### BOYS AND GIRLS OF ALL ABILITY WELCOME!

Players will need to wear kit suitable for all weather with shin pads, football boots and trainers. To book your child onto the relevant course, complete the form below and return it to the school office with correct payment. Please note all groups are mixed apart from our girls only training groups highlighted below.

JAN - FEB 2025

SCHOOL	SCHOOL YEARS	DAY & TIME	DATES	PRICE
ASHDENE	Reception to Year 6	MON 3.20 - 4.30	6th Jan to 10th Feb	£51.00
FULSHAW ST. ANNE S	Years 1 to 6	MON 3.20 - 4.30	6th Jan to 10th Feb	£51.00
GORSEY BANK	Years 1 to 6	TUES 3.20 - 4.30	7th Jan to 11th Feb	£51.00
MOBBERLEY	Years 1 to 6	TUES 3.20 - 4.30	7th Jan to 11th Feb	£51.00
LINDOW	Year 2 to 6 Girls Only	WED 8.00 - 8.45 am	8th Jan to 12th Feb	£45.00
ASHDENE GIRLS	Year 2 to 6 Girls Only	WED 3.20 - 4.30	8th Jan to 12th Feb	£51.00
WILMSLOW ACADEMY	Reception to year 6	WED 3.20 - 4.30	8th Jan to 12th Feb	£51.00
LACEY GREEN	Year 2 to 6 Girls Only	WED 3.20 - 4.30	8th Jan to 12th Feb	£51.00
GORSEY BANK	Year 2 to 6 Girls Only	THU 8.00 - 8.45 am	9th Jan to 13th Feb	£45.00
LINDOW	Rec to 6	THU 3.20 - 4.30	9th Jan to 13th Feb	£51.00
LACEY GREEN	Years 1 to 6	FRI 3.20 - 4.30	10th Jan to 14th Feb	£51.00

e: erik@academyfootball.co.uk t: 07792 791 382



### ALL BOOKINGS ARE NOW MADE ONLINE

To sign up to one of our after school clubs simply complete the online form with payment and your child will automatically be added to our register for this terms sessions!

Discover more and book your place now at:

[WWW.ACADEMYFOOTBALL.CO.UK/PLAY-FOOTBALL/AFTER-SCHOOL-CLUBS](http://WWW.ACADEMYFOOTBALL.CO.UK/PLAY-FOOTBALL/AFTER-SCHOOL-CLUBS)



Online registration for WFA's Afterschool Football Sessions for next half term (January and February) is now open.

Attached are the details of the sessions.

Please click on this link to register on the WFA website and follow the instructions.

<https://www.academyfootball.co.uk/play-football/after-school-clubs/>



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# Cooking Club

Kids Kitchen After School Cooking Club are starting to take bookings for the new year, so if you'd like to have some fun in the kitchen, come and join us on:

Wednesdays from 3.30pm to 4.45pm

From 8th January to 2nd April (12 sessions), limited availability.

Cost: £132, payable before 20th December.

The cost includes all ingredients and equipment, and the kids get to try the food they make at the end of the class, and the rest is brought home to show off to mums and dads.

email [jo@beyondbakedbeans.co.uk](mailto:jo@beyondbakedbeans.co.uk)

mobile number 07966 585 545 for any questions.



# Computer Xplorers

Computer Club will be Coding with Minecraft every Wednesday from 8th January to 12th February.

Wednesdays 3.30pm-4.30pm for Years 1 - 6.



Please see the link below if you wish to sign your child up.

<https://computerxplorers.co.uk/>



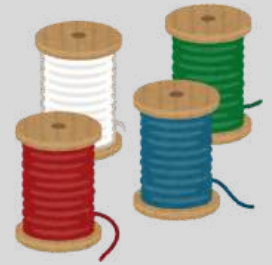
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# Sewing Club

Sewing club has been buzzing this year with KS2 children who are keen to learn new skills. We have made a variety of projects, some which the children have designed or requested. It is a lovely way to wind down from a day at school, improving fine motor skills and feeling relaxed.

Please see the link below if you wish to sign your child up.

<https://tinyurl.com/mwd5rcf8>



If you have any questions, please email: [thesewingcoach@gmail.com](mailto:thesewingcoach@gmail.com)

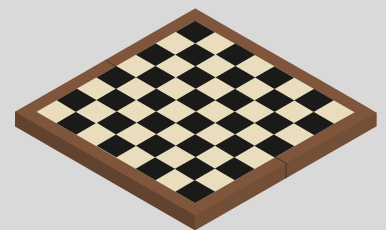
# Chess Club

We teach children chess right from the basics through to being ready to compete at national level for those that show exceptional aptitude for the game. All children will start with our level 1 school course booklet which familiarises children with the game, teaching them about check and checkmate. As well as teaching winning strategies we also provide ample opportunity to practise with games and group exercises keeping the children engaged and having fun whilst learning.

To register for a place for next term you need to click the link below, complete your child's details and make payment for the club. You will receive an automated email confirming payment has been made.

Thursdays 3.30 - 4.30pm

Booking Link <https://ukchess.fillout.com/t/1a96bEP88tus>



The cost for the term is £132 and is payable at the time of booking.



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# Drama



## Mark Hallett Drama



DRAMA SESSIONS FOR YEARS 1, 2 and 3

**Tuesday 7th January-Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> February**

3.20pm to 4.30pm in the Infant Hall

Cost £54.00

First come first served basis, as limited spaces available

“Mark Hallett Drama is now in its 15th year at Ashdene. Mark is a professional actor having appeared in many TV programmes including Corrie, Emmerdale, Waterloo Rd and The Royal to name a few; as well as Adverts for McDonalds, The World Cup, Seven Seas, Budweiser & Woman’s Own.”

“Marks classes are always fun and engaging, covering things like Music and Movement, Confidence building, Story Telling, Games and much more...”



## Mark Hallett Drama



DRAMA SESSIONS FOR YEARS 4, 5 and 6

**Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> January-Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> February**

3.30pm to 4.40pm in the Infant Hall

Cost £54.00

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For availability please email Mark at [markhallett@sky.com](mailto:markhallett@sky.com)



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# French Club

Bonjour! My name is Tania Moinian and I am a licensee and teacher for La Jolie Ronde, a company that has been at the forefront of Modern Language teaching since 1983.

I am pleased to announce that enrolment for the Key Stage 2 French Club is now open for the Spring term. French Club will run every Thursday 3.30pm-4.30pm from Thursday, 9th January 2025 to Thursday, 3rd April 2025.

The cost is £7 per lesson plus £16 for the course book.

The book includes a media app from which you can access all the La Jolie Ronde audio materials and is a requirement of the course. The book is only required for new starters. The total cost for the term is £84 (12 lessons) + £16 (book).

If your child is interested in joining the French Club, please contact me with the following information to secure a place:

- child's name
- year group (Years 3-6)
- any medical conditions or allergies
- email address
- contact number



Places are limited so will be allocated on a first come, first served basis.

Tania Moinian

Email: [madamemoinian@outlook.com](mailto:madamemoinian@outlook.com)

Mob: 07870 262215

# Spanish

Spanish Club Fun Spanish sessions with games, songs and rhymes. Food tasting and craft activities too.

Year 1 Spanish club 8.15 - 8.45am Tuesday.

Year 1-3 Spanish club Tuesday lunchtime.

Year 4-6 Spanish club Tuesday lunchtime.



All current students will have an automatic place and any new pupils will be first-come, first-served.

Text Kathryn on 07794 124288 if you are a new pupil wishing to book a place.



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# Bricks4Kidz

Bricks4Kidz will be building models from our Mission 2 Space theme where the children love our interactive Technics Bricks4Kidz models.

Get inspired to go on an adventure and join Bricks4Kidz on a Mission 2 Space! Discover some incredible structures at Kennedy Space Centre's Launch Complex 39, travel the surface of the moon on a lunar rover and explore Mars on-board the 'Curiosity'.

We'll provide the LEGO Bricks; all you need to bring for this adventure is your imagination!

For information see

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zSJCY1\\_Zu0I](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zSJCY1_Zu0I)

To book please follow

<https://booking.bricksnotts.com/bookings/course-info/733>



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# Picture News

## TAKEHOME



How can we show others we care?

## In the news this week

It is thought the number of cards sent this festive period will be lower than in previous years, as stamp prices have increased. The price of a first-class stamp rose by 30p in October, to £1.65. This rise (the fifth increase in less than three years) has also led to fears that the money reaching charities through card sales will be lower this year.

### Things to talk about at home ...

- Share your experience of giving and receiving cards and ask someone at home about theirs.
- Fewer cards are being sent each year; talk about why you think this is the case.
- What other ways can you think of to show loved ones that you care and are thinking of them?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

Share your thoughts and read the opinions of others

[www.picture-news.co.uk/discuss](http://www.picture-news.co.uk/discuss)



## Key Dates

Wednesday 18th December - EYFS Christmas Performance 9.30am KS1 Hall

Thursday 19th December - Christmas Lunch

Friday 20th December - Christmas Parties

Friday 20th December - School closes

Monday 6th January - School reopens HT3

Thursday 23rd January - Year 3 Parent Lunch 11.30am



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# Community News



  
THE KING'S SCHOOL  
CHESTER


**ENTRANCE EXAM**  
Friday  
17 January  
2025

WANT TO FIND OUT MORE ABOUT KING'S?

- Call us to arrange a personalised tour of the school
- Ask us about the format of this year's exam

Apply Now: [www.kingschester.co.uk/register](http://www.kingschester.co.uk/register)  
01244 689 553  
[admissions@kingschester.co.uk](mailto:admissions@kingschester.co.uk)

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11th January 2025 - 9 a.m.

**Upper Third (Year 7) Entrance Exam**

Register now for  
www.kingschester.co.uk

Charitable Trust  
Independent College  
for boys aged 7-13  
opened 1928

ST. BEDES COLLEGE  
1878



**Mark Hallett Drama**

**“DRAMA FUN DAY”  
AT ASHDENE PRIMARY  
SCHOOL, Thoresway  
Rd, Wilmslow, SK9 6LJ**

**FRIDAY 3rd JAN 2025**

For children aged 7 -13 years  
Time-9.30am-3.30pm (drop off from 9am)  
Where-Infant Hall  
Cost-£30

Children will need to bring a packed lunch and wear loose comfortable clothing. The day will include a variety of themes such as music and movement, Team Work, Creative thinking, confidence building, Life Skills, Drama games and Improvisation.



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# Contact Us



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