



DREAM

Determined risk takers who want to succeed
Resilient and respectful learners
Expressive communicators
Ambitious achievers, unafraid of mistakes
Magic happens when you dream

Inset days 2021-22

Key dates shared on our website -
ashwoodspencer.com

Friday 1st July 2022

Friday 22nd July 2022

Message from the Principal, Mrs Paula Baines-Chambers:

Wow, what another busy half term we have had! Our Spring 2 half term was filled with so much learning. Lots of new knowledge was gained, skills developed and applied, enrichment opportunities experienced and many happy memories were made for our DREAMers!

- Our year 6 pupils experienced a World War II enrichment day, some pupils also attended Derby University for a Primary Explorer morning.
- A group of year 6s and year 4s also supported our local community by participating in 'Love Trees' project - planting trees, organised by local business, Alstom.
- Year 4 enjoyed visits to Sherwood Forest and Osmaston Park linked to their learning under the conceptual lens of Global Awareness and Sustainability.
- Raising aspirations, Year 3 pupils were visited by Our Future Derby and participated in 'Yes I can' workshops. They also explored Bakewell, linked to their learning.
- Year 1 experienced a lovely day at the National Adventure Farm.

Many pupils from across school have also participated in various sporting events during the term. We can't wait for all the learning opportunities that the Summer term has planned!

Our school parliament have been busy advertising and interviewing for a variety of jobs within Ashwood. We look forward to watching the pupils grow into their new roles!

We continue to work closely with Derby University, welcoming students from the BEd training programme, Early Childhood Studies and Counselling and Psychotherapy programme.

I hope you all had a lovely Easter break.

Mrs Baines-Chambers

Attendance:

Our whole school attendance is currently 94.1%. This is below national, and below what we expect as our minimum target is 97%. May we take this opportunity to remind you again that children should be in school every day on time! Too much learning time is missed by both children arriving late and children being disturbed by late arrivals. Please make every effort to have your children in school on time ready for their learning to start: Foundation Stage & KS1 - 8:55am, KS2 - 8:45am

If your child is absent it is your responsibility to inform school. Absences are always unauthorised until we have been informed. You can report your child's absence by calling school and then selecting option 1.

Outside of school:

We please ask for consideration for pedestrians when parents in cars are dropping off their children. It has been very busy around the entrances to school with parents parking on the pavements and stopping in the no parking areas. We are concerned for the safety of the children because of this. If you live near to the school, please leave the car at home and walk to school to drop off and collect your child.

Working in partnership:

Stay and Play - is on every Friday in the canteen at 9.00 -10.15. All are welcome with pre-school children. Refreshments are provided.

PTFA: The PTFA is now back up and running, thank you for the work that you have already undertaken. If you are interested in becoming a member and joining us in organising fundraising events, school fetes, discos etc. then please speak to Mrs Mayer or a member of staff in the office.

PE Kits:

- White T Shirt
- Blue or black shorts
- Black pumps and trainers for outdoor PE
- Sweater for outdoor PE
- Navy or black track suit bottoms for outdoor PE

School uniform:

- Royal blue sweatshirt
- Black or grey trousers, or knee-length skirt
- White polo shirt
- White, black or grey socks / tights
- Flat BLACK school shoes **Trainers are not acceptable**
- Blue and white striped or checked dresses for summer
- Black or grey trouser shorts

