



Ash class newsletter

Second half term of Spring term 2024

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to school and we hope that you are all feeling fully recovered from the illnesses that were rife before the holiday.

This half term our topic is '**Then and now.**' It will support the children's ability to sequence events correctly, using language relating to time, as outlined in the attached vocabulary triangle. Any practice with reciting the days of the week, working out 'tomorrow' or 'yesterday' or using terms such as 'before' or 'earlier' will benefit your child. Thank you.

The children will also gain a greater understanding of their own personal history, starting as a baby, as well as comparing their life today with times when you, or maybe their grandparents, were at school. It would therefore be wonderful if you could find time over the next few weeks to sit with your child and look through their baby photos with them. What could they do then? Not a lot! And what a lot of things they can do now!



I wonder what they will learn to do next?

If possible, it would also be wonderful to show them photos of you as a child. What did you play with? What clothes did you wear? Who were your teachers? What car did you have?



We will be looking out for signs of **Spring** and changes in the local environment. We have already spotted the daffodils starting to push up through the ground. We hope to visit **Cleave Farm** on the morning of **Wednesday 13th March** (more details to follow) and have a **welly walk** to Offwell woods planned for the afternoon of **March 18th**. If you are able to help with the welly walk, please let us know. Thank you.

The whole school will continue to work on **Normal Magic's 10-a-day** strategies to balance our emotional wellbeing, across this term. Aspects to be covered include getting enough rest and sleep, caring for others and feeling proud. In Ash, we will also find out about keeping our teeth healthy and crossing roads safely.

All Ash parents and any local parents and carers with pre-school aged children are invited to join our class, from **2.40pm on Thursday 22nd February and Thursday 21st March** for **Story and Rhyme Time**. Nursery children who do not attend on Thursdays, are also very welcome to come along with an adult.



Towards the end of term, we will discover the Easter story and celebrate with our annual **Easter egg hunt** from **2.30pm on Tuesday 26th March**. All current members of Ash and any younger siblings are very welcome to come and join us.

If you have any concerns or queries, please do come and chat with us or send an email to the above address. We look forward to a busy term,

Kind regards

Sally Hunt and the Ash team