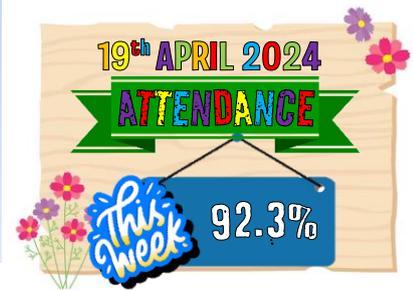


# ASH GREEN WEEKLY NEWS



Next week at Ash Green we start off with a Year 5/6 Girls Football event at Whitehill after school on Monday. On Wednesday we have our Year 5 Lights, Camera, Action recordings, a Year 3/4 Rugby Tournament in the morning and our choristers will take part in the Rotary Choir Competition at Halifax Minster in the afternoon. There will be a Year 3/4 Football event at Whitehill on Thursday after school and we end the week with our Celebration Assemblies on Friday featuring the Good Book in Key Stage 1 and Achievement and Writer of the Week certificates in Key Stage 2.



## Year 6 SATs

As you will be aware, your child is taking their Key Stage 2 SATs examinations in the week beginning **Monday 13th May 2024**. This year ALL Year 6 children will complete the tests at the Upper Site and be transported via mini bus.

The SATs tests are nothing to worry about and are the same as other tests that your child has taking during their time at Ash Green, with the major differences being that they are marked externally and not by school staff. It is important that your child tries their best in these tests as the results will be sent to high school to determine which sets they will be in and are used to measure how much progress has been made since Year 2.

The tests will take place in the mornings from Monday to Thursday.

The timetable is as follows:

Monday 13 May	Tuesday 14 May	Wednesday 15 May	Thursday 16 May
Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar Papers 1 & 2	English Reading	Maths Papers 1 & 2 (Arithmetic & Reasoning)	Maths Paper 3 (Reasoning 2)

As this is a very important stage in your child's education, please ensure that they are in school on time every day to achieve their full potential.

There will be a FREE SATs breakfast club run during the week from 8.15 each morning, the children will be able to have a relaxing breakfast and chat with their friends and staff.



## IMPORTANT UPDATE!

### ONLINE SAFETY FOR OUR PRIMARY SCHOOL STUDENTS



We wanted to share some important information regarding online safety, especially concerning social media use among our Y5 and 6 students.

Recently, we became aware of an incident involving a Y5 and 6 group (not at Ash Green) set up on WhatsApp by some students from a local primary school. Unfortunately, this group was hacked, and its name changed to 'Add contacts'. It has come to our attention that approximately 250 children added their contacts to this compromised group. As a result, the account now displays abusive material, including content that is harmful to children, likely originating from outside the UK. The incident has been reported to WhatsApp and the police for further investigation.

This incident serves as a timely reminder of the importance of monitoring our children's online activities. While the recommended minimum age to hold a WhatsApp account in the UK is 16 years, and for other popular social media accounts it's 13 years, we strongly advise against allowing children under 13 to access social media platforms.

If you have considered the risks associated with your child joining social media and still choose to allow it, we urge you to be extremely proactive in monitoring their mobile device and social media usage. Please ensure the deletion of any harmful content and remove any links to accounts, groups or individuals you do not know or have concerns about.

For further guidance on keeping your child safe online, the National Crime Agency's CEOP Safety Centre has provided useful information for parents, which you can access here: [Thinkuknow Parent Resources](#).

Your child's safety is our top priority, and we appreciate your cooperation and vigilance in this matter.

Thank you for your attention to this important issue.

## THE BIG TRIP



7<sup>th</sup> May IWK Cliffe Castle

14<sup>th</sup> May IRK Cliffe Castle

3<sup>rd</sup> June to 5<sup>th</sup> June Y6 PGL Trip to Winmarleigh Hall

**PGL DROP IN FOR PARENTS**

**THURSDAY 2<sup>ND</sup> MAY 3.30 AT EACH SITE**

Please come along to an information drop in session at each site.

Where you can find out about our upcoming PGL trip for our Year 6 pupils.

## GET AHEAD OF THE GLASS!



Unfortunately, once again we have had incidents of head lice in our classes. Please ensure you check your child's hair regularly and get rid of these unwanted house guests.

Let's make our school a nit-free zone!

**ONCE A WEEK... TAKE A PEEK!!**



MAY DAY – MONDAY 6 MAY

MONDAY 3 JUNE – TRAINING DAY

HALF TERM

CLOSE – FRIDAY 24 MAY

RE-OPEN TUESDAY 4 JUNE

MID-SUMMER

CLOSE – FRIDAY 19 JULY

## NOTICES



**HEALTHY HOLIDAYS CALDERDALE**  
Calderdale Council  
COMMUNITY FOUNDATION FOR CALDERDALE

**GLOW UP**  
WITH POSITIVE IMPACT SPORTS

**FREE!**

**MAY HALF TERM Healthy Holidays**  
Tuesday 28th May - Friday 31st May  
10 am till 2pm  
Ash Green Primary Lower

Free for children who are eligible for benefits related free school meals  
We are also offering paid places £10/child.

Multi Sports | Laser Tag | Nutrition  
Arts & Crafts | Breakfast & Hot Dinner Included

Scan the QR code or book via the link:

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**What Parents & Carers Need to Know about WHATSAPP**

WhatsApp is the world's most popular messaging service, with around two billion users exchanging texts, photos, videos and documents, as well as making voice and video calls. Its end-to-end encryption means messages can only be viewed by the sender and only recipients, not even WhatsApp can read them. Updates to its privacy policy in 2021 (involving sharing data with parent company Facebook) caused millions to leave the app, but the new policy was widely misinterpreted, it only related to WhatsApp Business accounts, not to personal messages.

**16+**

**WHAT ARE THE RISKS?**

- SCAMS**: Scammers occasionally send WhatsApp messages pretending to offer prizes – encouraging the user to click on a link to winning someone that their WhatsApp account is suspended or offering to help them with discrediting payment details or requesting a passport or driving licence and asking for money to be transferred to help with the request.
- DISAPPEARING MESSAGES**: Users can set WhatsApp messages to disappear in 24 hours, 7 days or 90 days. However, if the sender sends a message to a recipient that has viewed them, these files can't be deleted or hidden – so if your child was sent an inappropriate message, it would be difficult to prove they didn't see it. You can also turn on 'Vanish Mode' to delete a screenshot and save that as well.
- ENABLING FAKE NEWS**: WhatsApp is an unfortunately common arena for spreading fake news. In 2020, a WhatsApp group of 100 members in the UK shared 100,000 pieces of fake news. WhatsApp has taken steps to reduce the spread of fake news, but it's still a problem. WhatsApp has taken steps to reduce the spread of fake news, but it's still a problem.
- POTENTIAL CYBERBULLYING**: Group chats and video calls are great for connecting with friends, but there is always the potential for cyberbullying. WhatsApp has a 'Report and Block' feature which gives the admin(s) of a group chat the ability to remove someone from the group. You can, for example, block their phone number, so they can't contact you via WhatsApp.
- CONTACT FROM STRANGERS**: Young people shouldn't engage with anyone they don't know. WhatsApp has a 'Share My Location' feature which allows friends to see their movements and location. It's a useful feature for a family member to let loved ones know they're safe, but it's not a good idea to share your location to strangers.
- LOCATION SHARING**: The 'Live Location' feature lets users share their location with friends and family. It's a useful feature for a family member to let loved ones know they're safe, but it's not a good idea to share your location to strangers.

**Advice for Parents & Carers**

- CREATE A SAFE PROFILE**: If your child creates a profile, they should block their phone number and email address. Communication from a blocked contact won't show up on their device and won't be delivered to their contact list – so they also need to be deleted from the address book.
- EXPLAIN ABOUT BLOCKING**: If your child receives spam or offensive messages, they can block the contact. They should block their phone number and email address. Communication from a blocked contact won't show up on their device and won't be delivered to their contact list – so they also need to be deleted from the address book.
- REPORT POTENTIAL SCAMS**: Young people shouldn't engage with anyone they don't know. WhatsApp has a 'Report and Block' feature which gives the admin(s) of a group chat the ability to remove someone from the group. You can, for example, block their phone number, so they can't contact you via WhatsApp.
- LEAVE A GROUP**: If your child is in a group chat that is making them feel uncomfortable, they should leave the group. WhatsApp has a 'Leave Group' feature which allows users to leave a group chat. They should block their phone number and email address. Communication from a blocked contact won't show up on their device and won't be delivered to their contact list – so they also need to be deleted from the address book.
- THINK ABOUT LOCATION**: If your child needs to use the 'Live Location' feature, they should think about who they are sharing their location with. They should block their phone number and email address. Communication from a blocked contact won't show up on their device and won't be delivered to their contact list – so they also need to be deleted from the address book.
- DELETE ACCIDENTAL MESSAGES**: If your child posts a message they want to delete, they should delete it as soon as possible. WhatsApp has a 'Delete Message' feature which allows users to delete a message. They should block their phone number and email address. Communication from a blocked contact won't show up on their device and won't be delivered to their contact list – so they also need to be deleted from the address book.
- CHECK THE FACTS**: You can now fact-check WhatsApp messages. WhatsApp has a 'Fact-check' feature which allows users to report a message. They should block their phone number and email address. Communication from a blocked contact won't show up on their device and won't be delivered to their contact list – so they also need to be deleted from the address book.

Meet Our Expert: **NOS National Online Safety**

www.nationonline.com | @nationonline | #WakeUpWednesday



**UTOPIA**

**MAY 27TH - 31ST**

**FROM £24 PER DAY**

**8AM - 3:30PM FOR AGED 5+ YEARS**

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## Do you know what to do if you are worried about a child?

Have you ever felt uneasy about something a child has said or done?  
Is your gut instinct telling you something doesn't feel right?

**IF SO, PASS THIS INFORMATION TO A DSL  
(Designated Safeguarding Lead)**

Your information could be the missing part of the jigsaw. This child may want/need YOUR help!

Your information could help change a child's life...  
Inanorina your concerns could be detrimental to a child.

Your DSL team (wearing a red lanyard) at Ash Green Community Primary School are:



**Mungo Sheppard**  
Senior DSL

**Hugh Monaghan**  
Operational DSL



**Laura Thompson**  
Deputy DSL



**Kate Cotton**  
Deputy DSL



**Kelly Coady**  
Deputy DSL



**Julia King**  
Deputy DSL



**Jodie Wardman**  
Deputy DSL



**Anna Crowther**  
Deputy DSL



**AT CALDERDALE COLLEGE**  
FRANCIS STREET, HALIFAX, HX1 3UZ

**STARTING FRIDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2024**

(NEW PLAYERS CAN JOIN AT ANYTIME DURING THE YEAR(PROVIDING PLACES ARE AVAILABLE))



<b>Group 1</b>	<b>5:00pm – 6:00pm</b>	<b>Ages 4 - 5</b>
<b>Group 2</b>	<b>6:00pm – 7:00pm</b>	<b>Ages 6 - 7</b>
<b>Group 3</b>	<b>7:00pm – 8:00pm</b>	<b>Ages 8 - 9</b>
<b>Group 4</b>	<b>8:00pm – 9:00pm</b>	<b>Ages 10 - 13</b>

Dear Parents,

I am delighted to inform you that following the success of previous year's courses we are expanding the football coaching programme for the season. The course will run on a weekly basis **EVERY FRIDAY** during school term times.

All of our courses are run by F.A. QUALIFIED COACHES INCLUDING EX-PROFESSIONAL PLAYERS. All of our coaches have been DBS/CRB POLICE CHECKED. The course is open to boys and girls aged between 4 and 13. All abilities are catered for with total beginners introduced through FUN and confidence building practices. The course is tightly structured to ensure all aspects of football skills are developed.

At the end of the term(usually 10-15 weeks) every child will receive an engraved merit trophy and course certificate, with chances to win extra trophies including penalty shoot out, american shoot out and champions league competitions.

The cost of the course is £7.50 per week, which is payable every four weeks (£30) with the first payment due on week one. Parents are welcome to stay and watch however the club is fully supervised so children may be left in our care. We have the use of excellent facilities with the course held indoors in the large sports hall.

**TO BOOK A PLACE ON TO THE COURSE PLEASE TEXT 'HALIFAX' + CHILD'S NAME & AGE + GROUP TO;**

**07846 770 250**

Steven Nugent (Course Co-ordinator)



# MIXENDEN

## COMMUNITY FOOTBALL

INSPIRING THE NEXT GENERATION



**Book Now**  
**Leah Greig**  
**07399621444**

**Location: Ash Green Primary upper (MUGGA or Indoor)**  
**Time: 11am till 12**  
**Cost: £4**  
**Age: 4-12 years**  
**ALL ABILITIES WELCOME**  
(EVERY SATURDAY)

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# Good FOOD



# Good MOOD

**ASH GREEN PRIMARY LOWER**  
**Date: Every Monday**  
**Time: 6:30-7:30pm**



**COACH PAIGE**



**PROJECT MIXENDEN GAME CHANGER**

Keeping family nutrition on track can be super challenging. Our Programme will help you create a plan for nutritional health and wellness for your whole family one bite at a time. The session will include practical elements where families will cook meals together to encourage you to eat healthier and provide you with the knowledge and tools to lead a healthier lifestyle.

**FREE for 4 weeks then £2 per family**

**STARTING ON MONDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER**



**CONTACT DETAILS**  
positiveimpactsports@hotmail.com  
Leah Greig 07399621444





### Early Help guidance and advice service for children and families. Are you a parent, carer, professional?

The sooner a family receives the right help, the sooner they are able to improve their situation and prevent the need for prolonged support.

Working together to get the right help at the right time.

Calderdale



#### What is the role of the Early Help Guidance and Advice Service?

The Early Help Guidance and Advice team sit alongside the Multi-Agency Screening Team (MAST). This service is Calderdale's first point of contact for families and professionals, to enable them to access services to meet their needs.

We have a dedicated advice line available for professionals, parents, carers and young people.

This will be accessible from 9am-5pm Monday to Thursday, 9am-4pm Friday (excluding bank holidays).

We will work in partnership with other agencies offering advice and guidance to achieve the best possible outcome for children and families.

#### What we can help with:

- We can provide details and signpost to a range of services to support you and your family.
- Access to parenting courses.
- Details of services that can support you with emotional health and wellbeing.
- Signpost to debt management services
- Details of specialist services for children and young people.
- Services available to children and young people.

#### Find out more:

For advice and guidance, contact the Early Help and Advice Officers by email or phone: [earlyhelpadvice@calderdale.gov.uk](mailto:earlyhelpadvice@calderdale.gov.uk) or call: 01422 393387

For urgent Child Protection concerns, please contact MAST; [mastadmin@calderdale.gov.uk](mailto:mastadmin@calderdale.gov.uk) Tel: 01422 393336



Coach Paige

### Fun family workouts for everyone!

Unique indoor and outdoor fitness sessions for whole families. Are you a parent who struggles to get enough time to exercise? These sessions have the solution! Guilt free exercise for parents integrated with fun for kids to help families get more active together. Each session will not be the same we will incorporate different fitness session based on the community decision. Example one week it could be Boxing the next a fitness circuit etc



Ash Green Primary Lower



6:30-7:30pm Every Thursday

BOOK NOW

LIMITED PLACES

#### CONTACT DETAILS

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### PROJECT MIXENDEN GAME CHANGER

#### What are we offering?

- variety of fun sessions chosen by you
- Opportunity to improve your health and fitness
- Make new friends while burning calories

FREE FOR 4 WEEKS, THEN £2 PER FAMILY PER SESSION

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