

# ASH GREEN WEEKLY NEWS



Welcome Back!!

We have had a fantastic first week back at Ash Green. It has been wonderful to welcome new children – and staff – and also to catch up with everyone else after a long break! The overwhelming majority of children have settled so well and it has been lovely to gift stickers and certificates to children from Year 1 to 6 in celebration assemblies today. Remember, this will be shared on Seesaw with photographs of this week's recipients so it is essential that parents and carers are accessing Seesaw to see this- a letter has been sent home today to remind families of how to log in and communicate with staff.

## SECONDARY SCHOOL APPLICATIONS

Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2021 is the closing date for applications to all Secondary Schools for our current Year 6. This is an online application which parents and carers will find on the Calderdale Council website on the schools ADMISSIONS page.

Parents who would like their child to attend Trinity Academy, Halifax and/or Trinity Academy Sowerby Bridge (now called Trinity Academy Grammar but NOT a grammar school) will need to register their child to sit the Fair Banding Assessment for their child to have a chance of attending the Trinity schools.

The registration form is available on the schools websites [halifax.trinitymat.org](http://halifax.trinitymat.org) and [sowerby.trinitymat.org](http://sowerby.trinitymat.org)

At Ash Green, children will be able to sit the Fair Banding Assessment at our school on 5<sup>th</sup> October with their own classmates in class here at Ash Green. This assessment covers both Trinity schools' applications.



We have lots of spare places at our Upper Site Breakfast Club Which runs from 7.30-8.45am and costs £2.20 per day where children can enjoy cereal, toast and a drink before they start the school day.



Is run at the Lower Site (any children from the Upper Site will be transported down) from 3.30 – 5.45pm and costs £6.50 per day – children can enjoy activities and a light tea.

Please make payments for either club via the School Gateway app.  
Thank you

Say "Cheese!"



The School Photographer will be in on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> September.



For more details next week.

## Summer of Activity!

What a busy six weeks it was over Summer. We had 4 weeks of a Mixenden Fun Camp based at our Lower Site and a week of Bikeability activities at our Upper Site, so many children accessed these activities!

There was also a huge amount of improvement work to our school buildings and site, much of it carried out by our brilliant Site Team of Mr Elliott, Mr Muir and Mr Hartley- thank you to them for all their hard work.



## ATTENTION PARENTS

Calderdale Council, working with Magpie, a creative behaviour change agency, want to speak to parents and families across Calderdale, to understand their habits, attitudes and feelings towards food choices.

The short 5 minute survey asks questions relating to your experiences and behaviours when it comes to food shopping, cooking and eating. The information from this survey is anonymous and will help with future work to support the families in our communities.

The survey can be found at [www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/RR9YYMX](http://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/RR9YYMX)



## TERM DATES

TRAINING DAY	CLOSE FRIDAY 24 SEPTEMBER	RE-OPEN MONDAY 27 SEPTEMBER
HALF TERM	CLOSE – FRIDAY 22 OCTOBER	RE-OPEN – MONDAY 1 NOVEMBER
CHRISTMAS	CLOSE – FRIDAY 17 DECEMBER	RE-OPEN TUESDAY 4 JANUARY 2022
HALF TERM	CLOSE – FRIDAY 18 FEBRUARY	RE-OPEN – MONDAY 28 FEBRUARY
EASTER	CLOSE – FRIDAY 8 APRIL	RE-OPEN MONDAY 25 APRIL
MAY DAY – CLOSE – MONDAY 2 MAY		
ADDITIONAL ROYAL BANK HOLIDAY	MONDAY 6 JUNE	TRAINING DAY – TUESDAY 7 JUNE
HALF TERM	CLOSE – FRIDAY 27 MAY	RE-OPEN WEDNESDAY 8 JUNE
MID-SUMMER	CLOSE – FRIDAY 22 JULY	



**SCHOOL WILL BE CLOSED ON  
FRIDAY 24 SEPTEMBER FOR A TEACHER TRAINING DAY**



## COVID 19 SYMPTOMS, TESTS, FOLLOW UP!

Remember that if anyone in your family is showing symptoms of Covid 19:

- A high temperature for any period of time
- A new and continuous cough
- A loss of smell or taste

That person will need a Covid 19 PCR test. For this, follow:

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/>

Now that we have returned, Calderdale guidance will be:

If a child or staff member shows these symptoms they should NOT come into school/will be sent home from school. A test should be arranged. When the test is negative they can return.

If a test is positive that person would need to isolate for 10 days and we would contact the families of anyone we felt may have been a contact.

There is no longer a requirement for children under 18 or double jabbed adults to isolate as contacts. However, the recommendation is that those contacts- including household members of the positive case- take a PCR test, they do not have to isolate unless that test proved positive.

It remains such a difficult time for us all. Covid cases are still worryingly high and we must put continued measures in place to support distancing, increased hygiene and prevent widespread contact between groups. The safety and welfare of our children, families and staff members is paramount.