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## Fairwell to our Wonderful Year 6s!

There are not enough words to say how proud we are of you, or how much we are going to miss you. You came to us as little ones finding your feet, and you leave us as remarkable young people who are ready to take on the world.

You have filled our school with laughter, curiosity, and kindness. The school will feel a little quieter without you – but every corner of this building holds a memory of who you are and what you have given us.

Ashdon will always be your home. Come back and visit whenever you need us.

Go and be brilliant.



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## Grossbusters are in Ashdon!

On Tuesday 14th July, Ashdon Primary School transformed into Monster Street for our spectacular end of year production of *Grossbusters* — and what a night it was.

From the moment Bagel and Muffin took to the stage, the audience was captivated. The Normsville News reporters, the stripy-legged dancers, the brilliant ensemble numbers and a truly unforgettable full company finale — every moment was a reminder of just how talented, brave and wonderfully creative our children are. They gave absolutely everything, and it showed.

The hall was packed with proud families, and the feedback was overwhelming. Parents stopped throughout the evening to share just how fantastic they thought the show was — and we couldn't agree more.

None of it would have been possible without the incredible team who worked tirelessly behind the scenes. A heartfelt thank you to Sarah Clark, whose dedication as music teacher, choreographer and all-round theatrical force of nature was nothing short of extraordinary. Huge thanks also to our staff and friends - Ros, Hannah, Alison A, Alison W, Emma, Sam, Adam, Louise, Chloe and Rebecca for giving so generously of their time, energy and creativity. And a very special mention to parent Mrs Kilby, who threw herself into prop-making with such enthusiasm and skill — Monster Street simply wouldn't have been the same without her.

Most importantly, the children absolutely loved every single moment. Watching them shine on that stage was a joy and a privilege.

What a team. What a school. What a show.



## Colour Run Fun!

What a spectacular day! Our colour run was an absolute triumph – pupils, staff, and families threw themselves into the fun with fantastic energy and enthusiasm, and the school was awash with colour from start to finish.

A huge thank you to our wonderful PTA, whose hard work and dedication made the whole event possible. From the planning and organisation behind the scenes to the vibrant atmosphere on the day, it simply wouldn't have happened without them. We are so grateful to have such a committed and creative group of people supporting our school community.

Well done to every single pupil who took part – you were all brilliant!



## Ashdon Awards

As we reach the end of another wonderful year at Ashdon Primary, we were delighted to celebrate our annual End of Year Awards – a moment to recognise and honour the brilliant children, families, and staff who make our school the special place it is.

Every year group from Reception through to Year 6 received an award this year, with one child from each class recognised for their efforts, achievements, and the wonderful contribution they make to our school community. It was a joy to see so many deserving children celebrated by their teachers and peers.

Our Year 6 pupils each received their own individual award as they prepare to leave us and begin the next exciting chapter of their lives. Watching them collect their awards was a proud moment for all of us – a chance to reflect on just how much they have grown and achieved during their time at Ashdon. We wish every single one of them the very best as they move on to secondary school; they leave with our warmest wishes and our absolute confidence that they will go on to do great things.

To all of our children across the school – thank you for your energy, your curiosity, your kindness, and your resilience this year. To our incredible staff, whose dedication and care make every single day possible – thank you. And to our wonderful families, for your continued support and partnership – it means the world to us.

Here's to a restful summer, and we look forward to welcoming you back in September.



## Attendance Winners of the Year!



Regular school attendance is vital for your child's academic success and personal development. Each day offers unique learning opportunities and social interactions that cannot be replicated at home. Consistent attendance helps children build relationships, develop essential skills and maintain learning momentum.

**We understand children become genuinely unwell and will of course report such absences fairly. However, minor ailments like sniffles are not always a reason to miss school, and we encourage attendance wherever possible.**

Missing school creates learning gaps that compound over time. Children who attend regularly achieve better grades, develop confidence and stay engaged with their education.

**Congratulations to Saturn Class for having the highest attendance for the year! They will enjoy an extra 10 minutes of playtime as a reward.**

*Jupiter Class: 96.33%*

*Saturn Class: 97.04%*

*Mercury Class: 95.28%*

*Mars Class: 95.99%*

## Important Dates, Events and REMINDERS:

- ✓ **First Day of Autumn Term 1 - 2nd September**
- ✓ **Reception Staggered Start:**
  - 2nd September - 08:50-12:00**
  - 3rd September - 08:50-13:30**
  - 4th September - 08:50-15:30**
- ✓ **PTA Little Recyclers - Please bring in some old clothes between 7th - 9th September**
- ✓ **Last Day of Autumn Term 1 - 23rd October**
- ✓ **Please make sure that all items of clothing are labelled**

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