

Ashdon Primary School

Newsletter 5th December 2025

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<u>Two, Four, Six, Eight -</u> <u>Ashdon Cheerleaders Are Great!</u>

We're incredibly proud of our two cheerleading groups who have been working brilliantly towards the schools' cheerleading competition. Our Year 2 squad and our Year 5 & 6 team have both been learning impressive routines, demonstrating fantastic teamwork, coordination, and enthusiasm throughout their practices.

A huge thank you to Carron from USSP for coming in and helping our children learn their routines - her expertise and encouragement have been wonderful! We'd also like to thank Mrs Reynolds for her dedication in practising with our Year 2 cheerleaders - her support has been invaluable!

Both groups have now recorded their performances for the USSP schools cheerleading competition, and we're eagerly awaiting the results to see how our talented cheerleaders fared. In the meantime, please do take a look at their recorded performances to see all their hard work in action - we think you'll be as impressed as we are!

Well done to all our cheerleaders for their dedication and effort!

Click on the link or scan the QR code to watch their performances!!





Yr 5 & 6 Cheerleader Video

Attendance Winners of the Week!



Regular school attendance is one of the most important factors in your child's academic success and personal development. Each day at school offers unique learning opportunities, social interactions and experiences that cannot be replicated at home. When children attend consistently, they build strong relationships with teachers and peers, develop essential life skils and maintain the momentum needed to master complex concepts.

Missing school, even occasionally, can create gaps in learning that compound over time. Children who attend regularly achieve better grades, develop confidence and stay engaged with their education. Beyond academics, school provides a structured environment where children learn vital social skills and teamwork abilities.

Congratulations to Saturn Class for having the highest attendance last week! As our attendance winners, they will enjoy an extra 10 minutes of playtime as a reward for their excellent commitment to being in school every day.

We encourage all families to prioritise school attendance and to contact us early if challenges arise. Together, we can ensure every child has the best possible chance to thrive and reach their full potential.

Jupiter Class: 89.9% Saturn Class: 93.8% Mercury Class: 92.5% Mars Class: 86.5%

RECEPTION APPLICATIONS OPEN!!



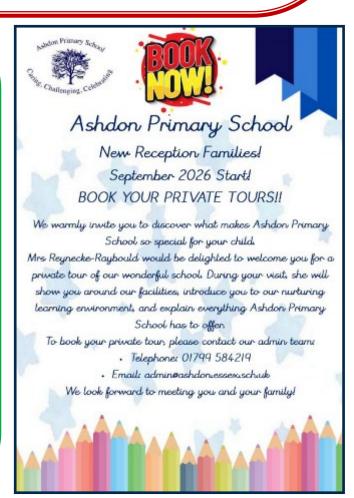


Apply from 10th November 2025 - 15th January 2026

<u>Please spread the news to parents with children starting reception September 2026</u>

Link to apply:

www.essex.gov.uk/admissions



Important Dates, Events and REMINDERS:

- * Tuesday 9th December @ 13:45 Prospective New Reception Children Stay and Play
- Wednesday 10th December Last Swimming Lesson for Jupiter Class
- * Wednesday 10th December Santa Dash and @ 15:30-17:00 PTA Christmas Film Night
- * Friday 12th December @ 10:00 and 14:00 Nativity Play Performances open to everyone
- Wednesday 17th December Christmas lunch in school
- * Thursday 18th December @ 09:00 Toddler and Parent Playgroup
- * Friday 19th December @ 09:30 Christingle and Christmas Carol Service in school all welcome. Last day of term. School finishes at the normal time of 15:30
- Monday 5th January 2026 Start of Spring Term 1
- * Thursday 12th February End of Spring Term 1
- Friday 13th February Non-pupil Day

Pawsome Readers!!

Our reading sessions with our school dog continue to make a remarkable difference to pupils' confidence. There's something special about reading aloud to a patient, non-judgemental listener that helps children relax and find their voice. We've seen even the most reluctant readers eagerly signing up for their turn, and teachers report noticeable improvements in fluency and self-assurance. Reading isn't just about decoding words - it's about building confidence, and our four-legged friend is proving to be the perfect reading companion.





Uniform for 2025-2026

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Trousers	Navy Blue
Shorts	Navy Blue
	(Smart)
Skirts	Navy Blue
Pinafore	Navy Blue
Polo Shirt	Light Blue
Jumpers	Navy Blue
Cardi- gans	Navy Blue
Sweat- shirt	Navy Blue
Summer	Blue & White
Dress	Check
School	Black
Shoes	(No Trainers/no
	boots)
P.E Kit	Navy Sweatshirt
Winter	& Tracksuit
	Bottoms
P.E Kit	Navy Polo Shirt
Summer	and Navy Blue
	Shorts
P.E	Black Plimsolls or
Shoes	Black trainers
Swim-	Swimsuit (girls)
ming Kit	Swimming
	Trunks (boy)
	Swimming hat
	Pool will not al-
	low boys wear-
	ing long swim-
	ming trunks Towel
Hair Ac-	Blue, white o
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Jewel-	Earrings: small
lery	studs only
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A huge thank you to parents and carers who have made sure that our lovely pupils are wearing the correct uniform. They look lovely and so smart! Please make sure that your children also have the correct P.E. kit as we will be doing lots of exercises! Also make sure that you take out earrings on P.E. days. **Jupiter Class** parents and carers, please make sure that your child has a P.E. kit as well as a swimming kit ready. Thanks:-)