

TUESDAY 10TH FEBRUARY

NEWSLETTER

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Positivity

This week's RESPECT value champions are:

RB	William L
RG	Theo M
1D	Eliza H
1S	Nikki B
2C	Sienna T
2G	Mila T
3B	Harry H
3W	Luna B
4C	Hettie D
4EM	Nikita W
5B	Niall Mc
5AC	Sofia B
6HG	William H
6R	Austin S



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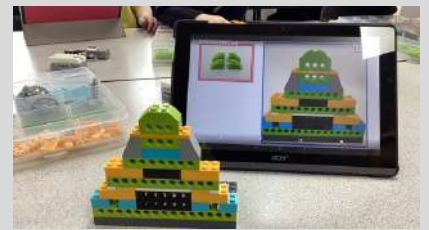
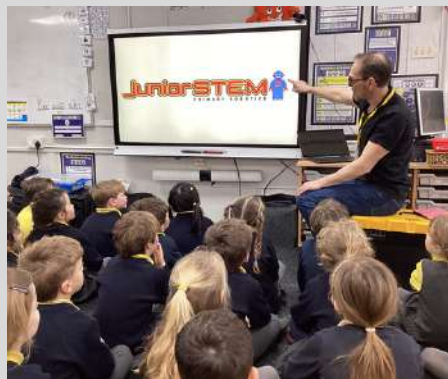
Year 1 Enjoy Hands-On STEM Workshop

Year 1 had a fantastic time taking part in an exciting STEM workshop led by Junior STEM. During the session, the children were introduced to early programming skills using Lego WeDo, a child-friendly coding programme.

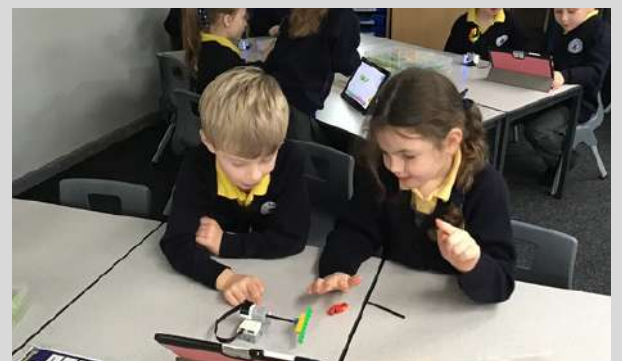
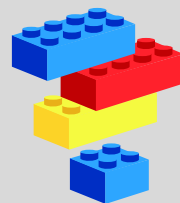
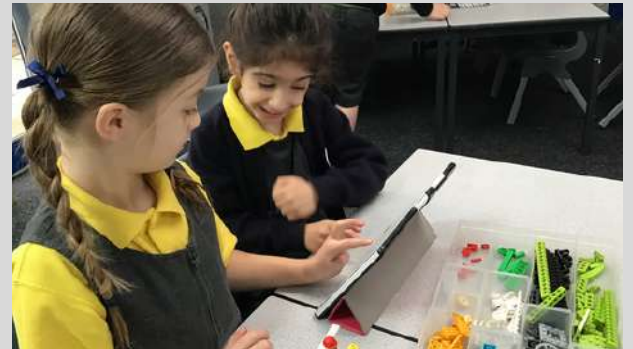
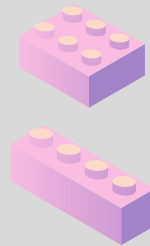
The children worked together to build moving fairground rides using Lego, attaching motors and external devices to bring their creations to life. Once built, they programmed their models to move, testing and improving their designs as they went. There was lots of problem-solving, teamwork and creativity on display throughout the workshop.

The session gave the children a great opportunity to explore how technology and engineering work together in a fun, hands-on way. Year 1 showed excellent focus and enthusiasm, and it was wonderful to see their excitement as their fairground rides began to move.

A big thank you to Junior STEM for delivering such an engaging and inspiring workshop and well done to Year 1 for their brilliant effort and learning!



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Pupil Leadership

Children's Mental Health Week

The whole school shimmied and shook at break time last Friday as children came together to perform DJ Raphi's Freeze Dance in honor of Children's Mental Health Week.

It was wonderful to see everybody so enthusiastically rising to the challenge of learning something new, getting active and connecting with others to promote positive well-being.



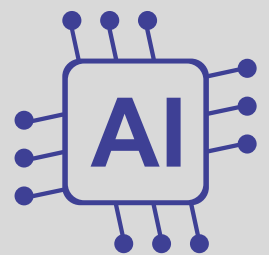
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Digital Leaders

On Tuesday 10th February, our Digital Leaders proudly led an assembly to mark Safer Internet Day with this year's theme: "Smart tech, safe choices – exploring the safe and responsible use of AI." The children spoke confidently about how we can all stay safe, respectful and responsible when using the internet.

During the assembly, the Digital Leaders helped pupils understand what artificial intelligence is and how it is becoming part of everyday life. They discussed how AI can be a helpful tool for learning and creativity, while also reminding everyone of the importance of making safe and sensible choices when using technology. The Digital Leaders also explained what to do if something online causes concern and where to go for help.

The Digital Leaders spoke confidently and showed excellent leadership throughout the assembly. Their assembly reminded us all that staying safe online is everyone's responsibility, and that help is always available if we need it. Well done to our Digital Leaders for leading such an informative and inspiring Safer Internet Day assembly!



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Finance Team

The Finance Team met last week to plan our fundraising activities for the Spring term, and we're excited to share that we have fun events in the pipeline!

These include an Ashdene Eggstravaganza egg-decorating competition and a Name the Easter Bunny challenge.



Keep an eye out for more details coming soon. In the meantime, start gathering your ideas for the Eggstravaganza – we can't wait to see your creativity!



Eco-Warriors

Our Eco Warriors have been litter picking on the KS1 and KS2 playground at lunchtime. We are pleased that there were minimal amounts of litter - keep this up!



After half term, we will have the Eco Warriors litter picking daily to protect our environment.



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Sport

Year 6 Sports Hall Athletics

Congratulations to the Year 6 children who yesterday attended the Indoor Athletics Competition at Wilmslow High School and won!

The competition consisted of various track and field events including the team relay, pair running races and triple jump.

The team were competitive, respectful and represented Ashdene brilliantly. Well done everyone!



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Year 5 Tchoukball Competition

Well done to all the Year 5 children who represented Ashdene at the Wilmslow Primary Competition today. The focus of the afternoon was the Swedish game of Tchoukball.

This included a tutorial from the Wilmslow High School PE staff and a set of games. We won our final game 3-1!



Active Ambassadors





Well done to 4EM for being the KS2 Active Classes of the Week with 83 extra active minutes.



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Attendance	
RB	98.7%
RG	97.7%
 1D	100%
1S	99.3%
2C	97.5%
2G	98%
3B	97.8%
3W	98.7%
 4C	100%
4EM	96.2%
5AC	98.8%
5B	94.7%
6R	99.3%
6HG	96.3%

Equates to:	100%	>>> PERFECTION
4 SCHOOL DAYS	98%	>>> IMPRESSIVE
7 SCHOOL DAYS	96%	>>> GOOD
9 SCHOOL DAYS	95%	>>> NEARLY THERE
11 SCHOOL DAYS	94%	>>> NEEDS TO IMPROVE
20 SCHOOL DAYS	90%	>>> CONCERNS
30 SCHOOL DAYS	85%	>>> SERIOUS CONCERNS

Attendance

Update

Our attendance target is **97%**. We all need to work together on ensuring children are in school **EVERY** day and not missing any learning.

Our attendance for the week is:

98%

Our attendance for the year to date is

97%



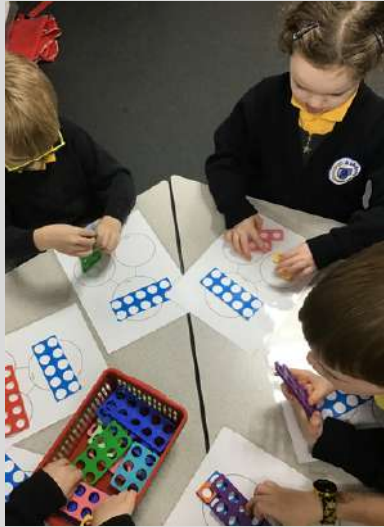
Well done **1D** and **4C** on their perfect attendance last week!



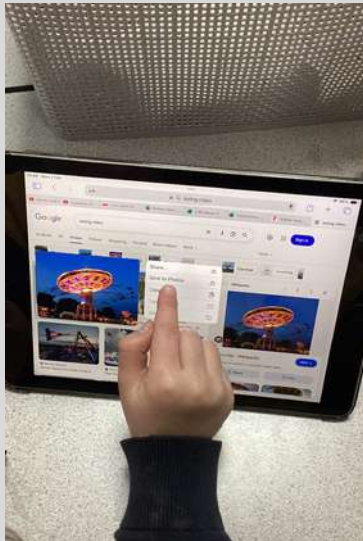
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This Week In Pictures

Reception



Year 1



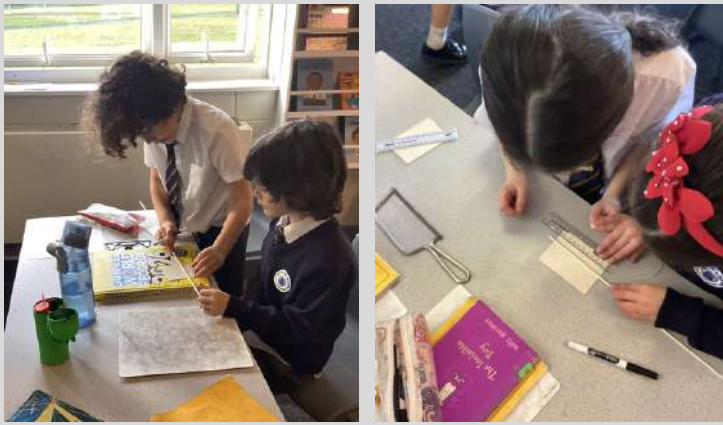
Year 2



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This Week In Pictures

Year 3



Year 5



Year 6



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Reading Leaderboard

READING LEADERBOARD			Ashdene	
Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	
Asya D	Sophia B	Edward A	Jack W	
Daniel T	James F	Violet F	Bibi W	
Valentina B	Freddy G	George G	Jasmine G	
Sebastian B	Neve M	Felix C	Arselia D	
Saskia G	Luke M	Ralph M	Maddie A	
Phoebe L	Ava P	Reeva P	Mia H	
Charlotte P	Ella W	Sebastian B	Emily H	
Darcey S	Leonard C	Oliver E-C	Dennis O	
Poppy W	Emily B	Ernest H	Lia T	
James F	Sophia P	Harvey M	Zac G	
Renzo H	Alice S	Elias Z	Edward W	
Max M	Maggie M-S	Jasper F	Olivia B	
Douglas A	Phoebe McG	Nathan H	Clara C	
Jasmine S	Jamie W	Marcy C	Florence E	
Adhviata S	Rosie D	Jasper O	Georgia L	
Dexter VDB	Sophia D	Natalya W	Marco W	
Lara Y	Hettie D	Dario B	Connie L	
Cooper B	Percy O	Henry D	Nicolas S	
Jack B	Cole W			

Parents' Evening

A reminder that the booking system for Parents' Evening is now open. Please book your appointments by **Wednesday 25th February at 9:00 am.**

Appointments can be booked via School Cloud

<https://ashdeneschool.schoolcloud.co.uk/>



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Nut Products

A reminder that we have a number of students with serious nut allergies in our school. With this in mind, could we politely ask that no products containing nuts are sent into school.



Please do not send the following items into school:

Peanuts or peanut butter

Tree nuts (e.g. almonds, cashews, walnuts, hazelnuts, pistachios, Brazil nuts)

Nut-based spreads (such as Nutella or almond butter)

Snacks, chocolate, or baked goods containing nuts

Foods labelled “may contain nuts” or “made in a factory that handles nuts”

Thank you for your consideration and safeguarding our children.

Year 1 Parent Lunch

If you would like to attend the Year 1 parent lunch on **Thursday 19th March** at 11.30am, please complete the booking form using the link below.

<https://forms.office.com/e/3QAX8CFbp7>



(Please note this is an invite for parents to experience the new school meal provision; there is no charge).

The deadline for booking a place (1 parent per pupil) is **Wednesday 4th March** at **4pm** - no orders can be accepted after this date.

As detailed seating plans are arranged in advance, please do not attend without a booking, even if you're not dining.

For allergy and safety reasons, parents must not bring their own food into the school dinner hall.



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PTA Valentines Disco



Reading Glasses Found

We have several pairs of reading glasses that have been handed in to the school office. If you think they might be yours, pop in and have a look!



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HT4/HT5 Year 5/6 Netball

We are pleased to confirm that the **Year 5/6 Netball Club** will run during Half Terms 4 and 5.

The booking system is **now open** and it will **close on Wednesday 18th February at 9am**.

This is an immediate booking on a first come first serve basis.

A confirmation email will be sent if your child has successfully received a place. the club will start the week commencing Monday 2nd March and will subsequently not run in the first or last week of each half term. To make a booking follow the below link.

Do not book a space if your child is unable to attend every session.

Please do not be solely reliant upon the club for childcare as these are subject to cancellation should a staff member be unable to attend or due to poor weather.

<https://ashdeneschool.parentseveningsystem.co.uk/>

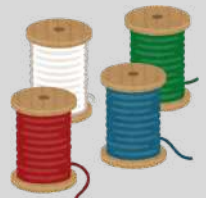


Sewing Club

Sewing Club will run from Wednesday 25th February until Wednesday 25th March 3.30-4.30pm for the Spring term.

Please use the link below to sign up.

<https://forms.gle/XszkMzYDjCLG4jg8A>



Places are limited so please make sure to sign up if your child want to attend.



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With February Half Term just around the corner, we're excited to start planning for a fun-filled and energetic Spring Term at WFA!

To get ready, we're now opening registration for our Sunrise and Afterschool Football Clubs for the next half term (February-March). These popular sessions are open to both boys and girls and are a brilliant way for children to start or end their school day staying active, building confidence, and having fun with friends.

What's on offer?

Sunrise Football Sessions

Afterschool Football Sessions

Fun, structured coaching in a safe and positive environment

All session details are attached for your reference.

How to sign up:

Simply click the link below, visit the WFA website, and follow the registration instructions:

<https://www.academyfootball.co.uk/play-football/after-school-clubs/>

Spaces are limited, so we recommend booking early to avoid disappointment.

We can't wait to welcome the children back on the pitch for another fantastic half term of football fun!



AFTER SCHOOL FOOTBALL
REGISTRATION FORM

WFA 20 YEARS

BOYS AND GIRLS OF ALL ABILITY WELCOME!

Players will need to wear kit suitable for all weather with shin pads, football boots and trainers. To book your child onto the relevant course complete the form below and return it to the school office with correct payment. Please note all groups are mixed apart from our girls only training groups highlighted below.

SCHOOL	SCHOOL YEARS	DAY & TIME	DATES	PRICE
ASH GORE	Reception to Year 6	MON 3.30 - 4.30	22nd Feb to 22nd Mar	£42.50
FULHAM ST ANNIE'S	Year 1 to Year 6	MON 3.30 - 4.30	22nd Feb to 22nd Mar	£42.50
GORSEY BANK	Year 1 to Year 6	TUES 3.30 - 4.30	26th Feb to 26th Mar	£42.50
MOBBLEY	Year 1 to Year 6	TUES 3.30 - 4.30	26th Feb to 26th Mar	£42.50
UNSWOOD GIRLS	Year 2 to 6 Girls Only	WED 8.00 - 8.45 am	26th Feb to 26th Mar	£42.50
ASH GORE GIRLS	Year 2 to 6 Girls Only	WED 3.30 - 4.30	26th Feb to 26th Mar	£42.50
WILMLOW ACADEMY	Reception to Year 6	WED 3.30 - 4.30	26th Feb to 26th Mar	£42.50
LACEY GREEN GIRLS	Year 2 to 6 Girls Only	WED 3.30 - 4.30	26th Feb to 26th Mar	£42.50
GORSEY BANK GIRLS	Year 2 to 6 Girls Only	THU 8.00 - 8.45 am	26th Feb to 26th Mar	£42.50
UNSWOOD	Reception to Year 6	THU 3.30 - 4.30	26th Feb to 26th Mar	£42.50
LACEY GREEN	Reception to Year 6	FRI 3.30 - 4.30	27th Feb to 27th Mar	£34.00

erik@academyfootball.co.uk : 07792 791 382

WFA 20 YEARS
ALL BOOKINGS ARE NOW MADE ONLINE
 To sign up to one of our after school clubs simply complete the online form with payment and your child will automatically be added to our register for this term's sessions!
 Discover more and book your place now at:
[WWW.ACADEMYFOOTBALL.CO.UK/PLAY-FOOTBALL/AFTER-SCHOOL-CLUBS](https://www.academyfootball.co.uk/play-football/after-school-clubs/)



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Picture News

TAKEHOME 8th - 15th February

Should children have social media?



Adults in the UK are talking about whether children under 16 should be allowed to use social media, as the government is considering new rules to help keep children safe online. Some people believe social media helps children stay connected, while others worry it can affect wellbeing and mental health. During Children's Mental Health Week, the story reminds us how important it is to look after our mental health both online and offline.

Things to talk about at home ...

- > What rules or agreements can help us feel safe when using technology at home?
- > Can you think of ideas for families to help balance screen time and other activities?
- > What are some of the activities that you do online? Do you do different things online to others at home?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

Share your thoughts and read the opinions of others www.picture-news.co.uk/discuss

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Key Dates

- Thursday 12th February - PTA Valentines Disco
- Friday 13th February - School closed for Half Term
- Monday 23rd February - School reopens HT4
- Wednesday 4th March - Parents' Evening online
- Thursday 5th March - Parents' Evening online
- Friday 13th March - Parent Open Session
- Tuesday 17th March - 3B Music Concert 9am
- Thursday 19th March - 4C Music Concert 9am
- Thursday 19th March - Year 1 Parent Lunch 11.30am
- Tuesday 24th March - 3W Music Concert 9am
- Thursday 26th March - 4EM Music Concert 9am
- Friday 27th March - School Closes Easter Holidays



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Community News



WHERE?
Wilmslow Prep,
Wilmslow

WHEN?
Wilmslow Prep
16th – 20th Feb

BRING?
A PACKED LUNCH.
CLOTHES YOU DONT
MIND GETTING MESSY
IN, COMFY SHOES & A
WATER BOTTLE

MAKING NEW FRIENDS

BOUNCY CASTLE

COOKING

ARTS & CRAFTS

COSTS
£35 FULL DAY
8am-6pm
We accept childcare
vouchers

WHAT TO EXPECT
FUN FILLED DAYS PACKED WITH CRAFTS, GAMES,
NEW SPORTS ZONE DAILY, NEW SCIENCE ZONE DAILY,
CATCH-UP WITH CURRENT FRIENDS WHILST MAKING
NEW ONES, DISCOS, BOUNCY CASTLES, COOKING
GARDENING, SEWING, SLIME MAKING, DRAMA
WORKSHOP, FOREST WORKSHOP &
MUCH MUCH MORE.
FULL ITINERARY CAN BE FOUND ON OUR WEBSITE.

To book online www.holidayzone.org.uk
HAF bookings and info e: manager@holidayzone.org.uk
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February 2026 Junior Tennis Camp

Monday 16th February
to
Friday 20th February 2026

Limited Places

EXTENDED
HOURS

£20 per junior
member per session

£25 per junior non
member per session

FROM
9am-
1pm

Book online at:

<https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/CroftsideTennisClub>
Go to Coaching - Calendar & Select Dates

For more info & to reserve a place call
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