



Ashlands News

Week beginning 23rd February 2026

Diary Dates - w/c 23/02/26

School re-opens Monday 23rd February
Ashlands Cross Country - Saturday 28th February

Fridays 3 Apple swimming until July 2026

Running Club is never on the last week of every half term.

Coding Club is never on the first Thursday of every half term

Messages from school

NUT AND SEED FREE

Please note we are a nut and seed free site.

This includes packed lunches, please remember no pesto and humous and seeded bread. We have children in school with airborne as well as ingested allergies so this is very important.

Sickness and Diarrhea

Reminder - please return to school 48 hours after the last episode of sickness and diarrhea
Water Bottles in Classroom

Reminder - the children are welcome to have a water bottle in the classroom but this must contain water and not juice.

There is a water fountain in school to refill during the day.
Nursery and reception children do not require a water bottle.

Please remember to name all uniform, coats etc

Gardening Club Rota Friday's @ 12.30pm
(please bring waterproof and wellies)

Spring Term 2026 Parents' Evening

Spring Term Parents Evening will take place on Wednesday March 18th and Wednesday March 25th between 4.00pm - 7.00pm.

As usual booking is via Arbor and further details will be sent out after the February 1/2 term.

Safety in the school carpark.

Thank you for working with us this week to improve safety on the school carpark and drop off and pick up, specifically around providing a safe crossing point on the zebra crossing.

We will continue to monitor the situation at these busy times.

Your cooperation is vital in ensuring the safety of all children and families on site.



Diary Dates

School re-opens Monday 23rd February

Monday 2nd March - 3pm Year 1 - Share and Celebrate
Tuesday 3rd March - 3pm Year 2 - Share and Celebrate
Wednesday 4th March - 3pm - Year 3 - Celebration Assembly

Thursday 5th March - World Book Day come to school dressed as your favourite book character

Thursday 5th March - 2.45pm - Reception Stay and Play (Phonics update/share stories)

Friday 6th March - 3pm - Year 6 - Celebration Assembly

Wednesday 11th March - 3pm - Year 5 - Celebration Assembly

Thursday 12th March - 3pm - Year 4 - Celebration Assembly

Wednesday 18th March - 4pm - 7pm - Parents Evening

Thursday 19th March - Year 1 Ilkley Toy Museum (AM)

Monday 27th March - Year 3 trip to the Manor House

Tuesday 24th March - School Nurse to see Reception (Height, weight and audiology)

Wednesday 25th March - 4pm - 7pm - Parents Evening

Thursday 26th March - Year 4 - Leeds City Museum

Break up - Friday 27th March

School re-opens Monday 13th April

Tuesday 14th April - Year 6 Trip to Eden Camp

Friday 8th May - Year 5 Trip to Oakwell Hall

Friends of Ashlands Dates for 2026

Spring Term

1st - 14th March Auction of Promises

Friday 27th March Easter hunt, hat contest and bake sale

Thursday 30th April Curry and Quiz night

Summer Term

Monday 4th May Ashlands Parade at the Ilkley Carnival

Sunday 17th May Pen Y Ghent Hike

12th - 14th June Ashlands camping weekend

Friday 3rd July Summer Fair

Thursday 9th July End of Year disco

World Book Day Information.

World Book Day is on Thursday 5th March. This year we are asking children and staff to DRESS UP as their favourite character from a book.

Please bring in the book that your character features in on the day.

We will use this day in school as a real celebration of reading and the pleasures it can bring.

What do you do with books when you have read them? We are going to hold a Book Swap in school! Please bring in a book that you have read and would like to swap for a new treasure that you can take home.

The Book Swap will take place on World Book Day, but donations can be taken to your child's classroom from Monday March 2nd.

There will be prizes for the best costumes in the form of a Book Voucher that can be spent at our Book Fair that will be in school from Mon March 16th to Fri March 20th.

World Book Day Vouchers will be given out on this day.

MENU WEEK 3

SERVED W/C: 10th Nov | 1st Dec | 22nd Dec | 12th Jan | 2nd Feb | 23rd Feb | 16th Mar | 6th Apr

THE FOOD EXPLORERS

Hutchison

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
|---|---------------------------------|---------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| MAIN MEAL OPTION 1: Mild Plant Based Chilli & Wedges OPTION 2: Vegan Margherita Pizza & Wedges | Baked Mac 'n' Cheese | Vegan Sausage Roast | Vegetable Keema Curry | Cheese & Tomato Pizza with Chips |
| VEGGIES | Beef Bolognese & Pasta | Roast Chicken, Roast Potatoes & Gravy | Creamy Chicken Curry & Carrot Rice | MIC Approved Fish Fingers & Chips |
| PASTA | Peas | Sweetcorn | Broccoli | Carrots |
| AVAILABLE EVERY DAY | Tomato, Vegetable & Basil Pasta | Tomato, Vegetable & Basil Pasta | Tomato, Vegetable & Basil Pasta | Tomato, Vegetable & Basil Pasta |
| SWEET TREATS | Lemon Shortbread | Chocolate Beetroot Cake | Orange Jelly & Mandarins | Vegan Chocolate Brownie |
| | | | | Chocolate Shortbread |
| KEY | | | | |
| Nutritionist's Choice | | | | |
| Vegetarian | | | | |
| Vegan | | | | |

ALLERGEN AWARE MENU

Hutchisons Catering

Don't forget to keep ordering, you can order up to 7 weeks in advance and can order / cancel up to 8.55am on the day.

If you forget we will of course feed them but we cannot guarantee they will get their first choice - they may get a sandwich or jacket potato option if there is not enough of the main meal choice.

If you are having any problems creating an account or using the Appetite system please contact the school office for assistance.

If you pay for dinners this will be on your account to clear when you make your next payment.

SCHOOL TRIP INFORMATION

You are able to order a packed lunch on Appetite. To do this just log onto Appetite to order your meal as normal. There will only be a sandwich option where you will be able to choose the filling.

The packed lunch will contain:

Sandwich

Biscuit

Piece of fruit

Small bag of nachos

You are able to supplement the lunch with additional home treats and please remember to pack a water bottle.

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| MAIN MEAL OPTION 1: Quorn Dippers with Oven Baked Wedges & Tomato Ketchup | Vegan Bolognese Ragu Penne Pasta | Roast Quorn Fillet with Roast Potatoes & Gravy | Baked Mac 'n' Cheese | Vegan Sausage Roll & Chips |
| OPTION 2 | Margarita Pizza & Wedges | Beef Bolognese Penne Pasta | Roast Chicken with Roast Potatoes & Gravy | Chicken Pie with Mashed Potatoes & Gravy |
| VEGGIES | Peas | Sweetcorn | Broccoli | Carrots |
| FILLED ROLLS | Ham, Cheese | Chicken Egg | Ham Cheese | Tuna Mayo Cheese |
| AVAILABLE EVERY DAY | Our crunchy colourful salad & jacket potatoes with cheese, beans, tuna mayo or cheese and beans | | | |
| SWEET TREATS | Vanilla Shortbread | Mixed Berry & Apple Crumble with Custard | Apple Strudel & Custard | Gingerbread Squares with Custard |
| | | | | Garden Brownie |
| Desserts available every day - a choice of jelly, fruit or yoghurt | | | | |
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| Nutritionist's Choice | | | | |
| Vegetarian | | | | |
| Vegan | | | | |
| Added Wholewheat | | | | |

Lunchtime Football with LaunchPad post ½ term

LaunchPad are back next term running lunchtime sport (days below)

Monday Year 3 (will need to bring kit)

Tuesday Year 4 (PE Day already in kit)

Wednesday Year 6 (PE Day already in kit)

Thursday Year 5 (PE Day already in kit)

Friday Year 1 & 2 (PE Day already in kit)

If you would like your child to join post half term please copy and paste the below link and complete the form.

IF YOUR CHILD IS ALREADY SIGNED UP YOU DO NOT NEED TO DO ANYTHING

THE BELOW LINK IS FOR NEW SIGN UPS ONLY.

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeejS-yS609PTgF6E0zX7RUzyx5sph5B5QjHQcmwPD-5Hobog/viewform?usp=header>

The session will take place on the school field wherever possible.

Children taking part will need to bring an additional pair of trainers as well as pair of tracksuit bottoms in the muddier weather – no studs.

Any queries please email:
launchpadfootballclub@gmail.com

These are priced at £5 per session, payment and booking is direct with Launchpad – If your child is eligible for free school meals on economic grounds then you are eligible for a 33% reduction - If you indicate this on the link then LaunchPad will contact Ashlands to verify this.

PE Kit Days this Half Term

Reception - Thursday
Year 1 - Monday and Friday (Forest Schools)
Year 2 - Friday
Year 3 - Thursday (Forest Schools) & Friday (swimming & PE)
Year 4 - 4 Rowan - Tuesday (Forest Schools) & 4 Yew PE
Year 5 - Thursday
Year 6 - Wednesday 6 Birch (Forest Schools) 6 Chestnut PE

Music Lesson Days in School

Piano - Tuesday
Guitar - Tuesday
Drums - Thursday
Woodwind - Thursday
Strings - Thursday



Lunchtime Clubs

Le Club Francais French Club - Monday

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Singing Club - Wednesday

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Changes to Saplings timetable post ½ term.

We have made some changes to the Saplings timetable post ½ term:

Drama for KS2 has moved to Wednesday

We are introducing a new activity on a Tuesday, we will run a fun fitness-based activity session. We will adapt and change the format according to what the children enjoy but the overall aim will be to get the children moving whilst having fun to music.

Revised timetable below.

****Booking window for Summer Term opens on Monday 2nd March****

| | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
|----------------------|--|------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---|-------------------------------|
| 15.30 - 15.45 | Registration & snack | Registration & snack | Registration & snack | Registration & snack | Registration & snack |
| 15.45 - 16.45 | Craft with Mrs Myers All | Get Active All | Drama with Mrs Hunt KS2 | Dance with Mrs Pastuszczak Nursery, Reception & KS1 | Movie Night All |
| 15.45 - 16.45 | | | | Coding Club with Mr Preece KS2 | |
| 16.45 - 17.30 | Return to Saplings Room | Return to Saplings Room | Return to Saplings Room | Return to Saplings Room | |

Friends of Ashlands

