



Ashlands News

Week beginning 16th March 2026

Diary Dates - w/c 16.03.26

The Book Fair will be on before and after school next week in the library (8.30am Monday morning) please remember we are cashless. The last session will be Friday morning at 8.30am.

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

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

Friday 20th March - Years 5 and 6 Gardening Club - 3.30pm to 5.30pm (see flyer below)

Saturday 21st March - 9am to 12 noon - Ashlands Wildflower Morning (see flyer below)

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

Spring Term 2026 Parents' Evening

Spring Term Parents Evening is on Wednesday March 18th and Wednesday March 25th between 4.00pm – 7.00pm.

For 1 Oak there are also slots available Monday 16th March 15.00 - 15.30

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Booking window now open on Arbor - please remember to book your appointment.

Early Years Easter Holiday Club

Open Monday 30th March - Thursday 2nd April.

Wednesday 1st is full but we still have some space on the other days.

To book please contact the school office

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.

Diary Dates

Monday 23rd 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

LaunchPad Updates - Easter Club and Netball

Easter Holiday Club – Years 2 – 6.

We are delighted to share that we will be running a Holiday Camp at Ashlands this Easter, run by LaunchPad Sports.

The camp would be open to children in Years 2- 6 and will run as a full multi-activity programme with both indoor and outdoor provision.

Easter Holiday Club Dates:

Tuesday 31st March and Wednesday 1st April

Camp timings: 9:00am – 4:00pm - £30

Early drop off available from 8:00am: additional £5

10% discount for Ashlands families

Parents who have already registered their interest will be sent a link in due course. If you didn't register an interest and would like your child to take part then please use the below link:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdWX1O7AvF0FIJ7TZ2gnYmIFq_e1OFRHWDXGWFUrT5v7vhXxg/viewform?usp=header

LaunchPad will contact you to confirm booking and to arrange payment

Lunchtime Netball post Easter

Post Easter we will be extending our lunchtime sporting opportunities by introducing netball as well as football.

Depending on uptake we will try and schedule the timings so that children are able to take part in football and netball on different days.

If you would like to register your interest, please copy and paste the below link to your browser:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSc-Jlinu3AZyS-U_Y38y7dOvi_fNCFBptd6UiYQBwlvwLvMblA/viewform?usp=publish-editor

The sessions will start w/c Monday 13th April 2026.

They are priced at £5 per session, payment and booking is direct with Launchpad via the above link.

If your child is 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.



West Yorkshire Cross Country Finals

On Tuesday 3rd March Joseph, Elwyn, Tilda, Rose, Maya, Oliver, Alex, Alicia, Lily and Esme (after qualifying through the Bradford Finals) attended the Youth Sports Foundation/School Games West Yorkshire Cross Country Finals at Temple Newsam in Leeds.

The course was steep and demanding, but every child put in an incredible effort. With more than 141 competitors in each race from across Bradford, it was a remarkable achievement.

I was able to see them all race and was so incredibly proud of them all. An extra congratulations goes to Alicia who has qualified for the National Finals at the end of March.

Congratulations to all ten of you, Ashlands is incredibly proud of everything you've achieved.

Mrs Charlotte Smithson

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

If you are having any problems please contact the school office for assistance.

SCHOOL TRIP INFORMATION

You can order a packed lunch on Appetite.

Just log onto Appetite to order your meal as normal, there will only be a sandwich option on the school trip day and you can choose the filling. The packed lunch will contain a sandwich, biscuit, piece of fruit and a small bag of nachos.

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

MENU WEEK 3		SERVED W/C:		23rd Feb, 16th Mar, 27th Apr, 18th May, 8th June, 29th June		Hutchison	
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday		
Main Meal	Pea-powered mild chilli with rice	Vegetable sausages & mashed potatoes with gravy	Pea-powered cottage pie with gravy	Baked creamy mac 'n' cheese	Vegan Sausage roll, chips & tomato ketchup	OPTION 1	
	Mild beef & lentil chilli con carne with rice	Pork sausages (beef casing) with mashed potatoes & gravy	Roast chicken breast, roast potatoes & gravy	BBQ chicken loaded mac 'n' cheese	Fish fingers, chips & tomato ketchup	OPTION 2	
Veggies	Sweetcorn	Peas & carrots	Broccoli & carrots	Selection from the salad bar	Baked Beans		
Sandwiches	Ham, Cheese Tuna mayo	Ham, Cheese Tuna mayo	Ham, Cheese Tuna mayo	Ham, Cheese Tuna mayo	Cheese Tuna mayo		
Sweet Treats	Chocolate Shortbread	Apple & summer berry crumble with custard	Lemon Sponge & Custard	Garden Brownie	Strawberry Mousse		

Available Every Day - Crunchy colourful Salad Bar & Jacket Potatoes with Cheese, Beans, Tuna Mayonnaise & Cheese & Beans

KEY: Wholegrain, Vegetarian, Nutritionist's Choice, Vegan

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	Mild beef & lentil chilli con carne with rice	Pork sausages with mashed potatoes & gravy	Roast chicken breast with roast potatoes & gravy	BBQ chicken loaded mac 'n' cheese (may contain eggs)	Fish & chips with tomato ketchup	OPTION 2	
Veggies	Sweetcorn	Peas & carrots	Broccoli & carrots	Selection from the salad bar	Baked Beans		
Sweet Treats	Chocolate shortbread	Apple & summer berry crumble	Chocolate Brownie	Raspberry jolly & mandarin	Lemon shortbread biscuit		

Available Every Day - Crunchy colourful Salad Bar & Jacket Potatoes with Vegan Cheese, Beans, Vegan Cheese & Beans or Tuna with Vegan Mayonnaise

KEY: Vegan, Nutritionist's Choice, 50-50 White & Wholegrain Rice

PE Kit Days this Half Term

Reception - Thursday
 Year 1 - Monday (PE) 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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 Gardening Club Friday @ 12.30pm

Friday 20th March - Year 6
 Friday 27th March - Year 6

(please bring waterproof and wellies)

Lunchtime Football with LaunchPad

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)

The session will take place on the school field. 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.

****Booking window for Summer Term is now open****

	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

ATTENTION

Auction Deadline

Monday 16th March

Place your bids for some fantastic prizes including,
2 night stay in North Berwick, Thai massage, Pilates sessions, Dog walks, Mandarin lessons, Running analysis/coaching, "Trash Hero", Billy Bobs voucher, Karaoke Party in school, Home baking, Family Photoshoot, Beauty gift vouchers, Handmade Gifts, Coaching Session, Driving Lesson, Wild Swimming Lesson.....and much more!!



[HTTPS://WWW.JUMBLEBEE.CO.UK/ASHLANDSAUCTIONOFPROMISES2026](https://www.jumblebee.co.uk/ashlandsauctionofpromises2026)



FRIDAY MARCH 20TH 3:30-5:30PM

GROW TO SCHOOL FRUIT & AND VEG WORKSHOP

A great chance to see how we will be growing food with the children this year, and maybe be inspired yourself!
Spaces are available for parents to attend on a firstcome first served basis, please contact Lucy Lee (yr 2 & 6 parent)

GARDENING CLUB SPRING LAUNCH WEEKEND!!

SATURDAY MARCH 21ST 9AM-12PM

WILDFLOWER WORKSHOP VOLUNTEER SHOUT OUT- WE NEED YOU TO HELP KEEP THE FAMOUS ASHLANDS WILDFLOWERS BLOOMING MARVELLOUS FOR 2026!

We'll be extending the wildflower area and oversowing existing beds for extra oomph. Meet at the front of the school, kids as well, wheelbarrows, spades and trowels very helpful you have them.

♥♥♥ SAVE THE DATE ♥♥♥
Saturday 21st March
9-12pm

Ashlands Wildflower meadow prep & plant morning

We need parent, carer and pupil volunteers to litter pick, weed, replant and extend our flower growth this year...🐝

Everyone welcome 🧤

FRIENDS OF ASHLANDS

EASTER HUNT, HAT CONTEST AND BAKE SALE

FRIDAY 27TH MARCH

Children to wear their Easter hat to school, prizes to be won.

Easter Egg hunt will take place during school with a treat for every child.

Bake sale in the main playground
3.30-4pm.

Baked donations welcome on the day of the sale.

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FRIENDS OF ASHLANDS

Curry & Quiz

Thursday 30th April,
6:30-9:30pm, School
Hall

BOOK NOW ON ARBOR!!!

Ticket includes curry
and quiz with prizes to
be won

£10 per person

Bring your own booze
and soft drinks, hot
beverages available.
Card only

Can't make the quiz? Don't despair!

TAKEAWAY SPECIAL AVAILABLE!!

£10 for rice, naan, curry (veggie or meat)
pre order via link below, collect + pay school kitchen
door 6:30pm

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1Ky71Wi2hSO6gWF817klwj4_5pFwKhW7-ADvOd-cZ-Wo/

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ASHLANDS GO CAMPING

June 12th – 14th

Sleningford Watermill
North Stainley
Ripon
HG4 3HQ

www.sleningfordwatermill.co.uk

Booking system live 2nd March, email
friendsofashlands@gmail.com if you
would like to join for the first time
this year and we will add you
to the Camping Whatsapp
Group where we share
information.

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FRIENDS OF ASHLANDS 2025-26 EVENTS



Thursday 23rd OCTOBER HALLOWEEN DRESS-UP, PUMKIN COMP & BAKE SALE	Saturday 8th NOVEMBER BONFIRE & FIREWORKS	Friday 5th DECEMBER CHRISTMAS FAIR
Thursday 11th DECEMBER SPARKLE & SHINE DISCO	1st - 14th MARCH AUCTION OF PROMISES	Friday 27th MARCH EASTER HUNT, HAT CONTEST & BAKE SALE
Thursday 30th APRIL CURRY & QUIZ NIGHT	Monday 4th MAY ASHLANDS PARADE @ IRLKLEY 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

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