



ASHLAWN SCHOOL

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Message from the Principal

This week we enjoyed being able to get Year 11 and Year 13 together for their respective annual year group photographs. It signifies the end of an era for these year groups as they look towards their exams which start on Monday. While exams are always viewed with a certain level of trepidation, it is timely to reflect on how our students felt in 2020 when their exams were cancelled at short notice.

Perhaps surprisingly, many of our students were so disappointed that they didn't get the opportunity to show off the years of hard work that they had put into their preparation for their assessments. We are so proud of our students and the way they have navigated the challenges of the past two years and know that they will make themselves proud over the next few weeks as well.

Good luck to our exam groups and thank you to the people at home supporting them to stay focused and calm.

Siobhan Evans

The Big Question

Following on from the Big Ashlawn Survey, we are pleased to share another development we have been working on in response to the comments we received.

You Said

Reports don't always give the detail that we would like about our child's progress and attitude to learning.

We Did

Firstly, new commentary has been developed that will provide more detail about your child's learning behaviours. This has been implemented with immediate effect and all reports now feature this new style commentary.

Next, we have started to trial a new reporting approach for Key Stage 3 based on the assessments derived from the revised curriculum plans. New style assessment information will give information about the skills and knowledge that your child is showcasing and make clear the next stage and the skills and knowledge that they will need to show in order to move to the next level of achievement. We hope that you will find it useful to see the link between assessments and the curriculum by accessing our curriculum information on our website.

We are trialling this with Year 7 Maths and English and we hope that parents in Year 7 will give us feedback when they receive reports about their child's progress later this half term.

Congratulations to this week's top scoring pupils from each college!



	Webb Ellis	Evans	Brooke	Ruddock	Livermore
Year 7	Tanisha B & Henry B	Holly C	Kexin W	Edward C	Sienna B
Year 8	Julia F	Eleanor B	Georgia F	Spyridon P	Samantha S
Year 9	Emily K	Molly W	Orlando H	Artjoms M	Inari L
Year 10	Francis C	Evie S	Kieran M	Joseph H	Isla H
Year 11	Ruby M	Isabella C	Noah H	Jorja S	William M
Year 12	Esha M	Alex A	Joe K	Dylan M	Patryk K
Year 13	Ethan S	Ben W	Finn B & Jacob K	Damilola A	Jennifer R



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Sporting Achievements

Amazing efforts were shown yesterday by the U12 & U14 boys and U17 girls athletics teams today at the Warwickshire Combined Events Championships. Special mention to the U14 boys team who finished in 2nd place.



Overslade Open Doors

If you are over 18 and are currently unemployed, Overslade Open Doors are offering FREE help to support you in working out the right job for you and how to get it.

Thanks to funding from the European Social Fund, Overslade Open Doors have an impressive programme, including easy to digest online training, a supportive group and 1-1 coaching.

This is available until October 2022. If you would like to know more, please contact Gina on 07887 570600 or by email at luyourlife@gmail.com.

Ashlawn Wildlife



We are pleased to announce that Lady Quackbeth and Quack Grealish have given birth to a waddle of ducklings. A might 10 in total. Enough for a 5 a side tournament in the summer we think.

Our students will be able to view their progress from the windows looking over the pond area. We will take excellent care to ensure that they aren't disturbed.

Would You Like to Come to the Theatre?

BILLY ELLIOT THE MUSICAL NEW UK PRODUCTION



When: Tuesday 19 July 2022 (Evening - leaving school approx 5.30 pm)

Where: A coach trip to Curve Theatre, Leicester

Who: Any student across school years can apply for a place
How: Come and collect a letter from Mrs Ballinger in Drama Room 2 and return your reply slips back to Drama to show interest. Letters of interest need to be returned by no later than 12 pm on Friday 18 May.

Please note - We have a limited number of tickets so once we receive all responses, names will be put into a name generator to choose who attends. We do not require payments until the names have been drawn.

Dates for the Diary

- Year 7 Consultation Evening, **Thursday 26 May**
- Half Term, **30 May - 3 June**
- Year 12 Exams will run from **Tuesday 21 June** and will finish on **Wednesday 30 June**.

COLLEGE CHALLENGE

Your college challenge this week is to bring in as many items as you can for the Rugby Food Bank.

Their shelves are bare at the moment and we know that our Ashlawn students will be able to make a huge difference with your generosity of donations.

The tutor group with the most amount of items will be the winner and will be awarded a prize.

Donations will be counted next Thursday, so please bring in your donations before then.

THEY ARE RUNNING LOW ON:

COFFEE (JARS)

POT / PACKET NOODLES

TINNED POTATOES

URGENTLY NEEDED ITEMS ARE:

RICE (500G)

QUALITY CARRIER BAGS (BAGS FOR LIFE)

RICE (1KG)

TINNED / PACKET CUSTARD

TOILET ROLLS

WASHING TABLETS / POWDER

PTA Uniform Sale

The next PTA Uniform Sale will take place Saturday 21 May at 10 am. Please note the option to pay by card is now available. As always your donations are greatly received. For any queries please contact PTA@ashlawn.org.uk



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By Becci Year 13



By Laiara Year 13



By Amelie Year 13

ART

Of the week



By Blythe Year 10



By James Year 9



By Vanessa Year 13



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What is the role of the police at Ashlawn and in our local community?

We would like to take this opportunity to introduce to you our link police officer in school. PC Naomi Elcock has worked with us for the past 3 years and is often seen walking around our school. Research shows that when police officers work with schools, all key stakeholders (teachers, students, parents and the local community) benefit from the following:

- Increased accessibility (e.g. between pupils, the police and schools)
- Improved relationships (between police and schools, or police and pupils)
- An increased sense of safety for pupils, teachers and the community
- Improved attendance
- Raised achievement
- Reduced levels of offending behaviour and poor behaviour in school.

PC Elcock is keen to be in school as much as possible and we urge our students to speak to her if they have any concerns or questions. If students have a specific question please let Mrs Pountney know and she will contact her for a response.

How does PC Elcock support us at School?

PC Elcock will:

- ★ Liaise weekly with Mrs Pountney regarding safeguarding issues.
- ★ Talk to staff and students about staying safe in the community.
- ★ Meet with students who want support with staying safe in the community.
- ★ Run the Knife Arch Awareness days in school.
- ★ Support the HUB in interventions such as drug awareness, ASB, knife crime, theft etc...
- ★ Support school with medical emergencies where a young person is considered to be vulnerable.
- ★ Regularly update us on issues we need to be aware/ vigilant of. Update us on criminal cases which involve students in our school.

Naomi herself came to Ashlawn from 1990 to 1996.

Naomi shaved her head for charity in July 2020 and raised £2800 for charity.

Took a year out after going to University and travelled to Thailand, Australia and New Zealand.

Naomi loves watching drag racing!

Naomi is a mum of 2.

Naomi was a special constable for 5 years before she joined the regulars.



Attendance & Punctuality

Good attendance and punctuality to school is vital if students are to succeed and reach their full potential. Every day that a student is late will impact their learning time in school.

We monitor attendance and punctuality very closely in order to ensure that ALL students arrive at school on time, ready to learn.

We expect ALL students to be in school by 8.40am, ready to start form time at 8.45am. If students arrive late to form time then they will be marked as late regardless of what time they were on site. If students arrive late on 2 occasions or more then they will attend a same day detention for 15 minutes.

Although we want every student to achieve 100% attendance we understand that there are times when they may not be able to come to school as they are really unwell. If this happens it is vital that you contact school via EDULINK or by phoning 01788 532831.

PLEASE DO NOT EMAIL INDIVIDUAL TEACHERS OR THEIR HEAD OF YEAR.

If at any time you feel that you need support with your child's attendance or punctuality then you must talk to us.

Your child's Form Tutor or Head of Year are here to support them throughout their time in school.

Minutes Late Per Day	Days of Lost Learning
5	3.5
10	7
15	10.5
20	14
30	21
% Attendance	Days of Lost Learning
100	0
95	10
90	20
85	30
80	40 (8 school weeks)



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Opportunities in School

Gardening Club

Your opportunity to flourish!

What?

- Growing of fruit, vegetables and flowers
- Garden maintenance
- Learn about sustainable gardening
- Pond development and maintenance
- Looking after wildlife

When?

Monday - early lunch (years 7, 9, 11, 13)

Thursday - after school (all year groups)

Friday late lunch (years 8, 10 and 12)

Miss E Woodhouse

woodhousee@ashlawn.org.uk



Gardening is great for mindfulness and can have benefits for mental health

All gardening tools and resources will be provided and edibles and flowers can be taken home!

Opportunities in the Community

DRAYCOTE
-WATER-
SAILING CLUB

JUNIOR SAILING COURSES

Ages 8 - 15

3, 4 or 5 day courses

Wetsuits, helmets and buoyancy aids provided



For Beginners with no sailing experience, Intermediates who already know the basics, and to Advanced stages looking to develop skills.

Every week in the school holidays

Book online at

<http://bit.ly/DWSCSummerCourse>

www.draycotewater.co.uk

office@draycotewater.co.uk 01788 811153 / 814418

MUSIC FESTIVAL

ASHLAWN SCHOOL



APRIL / MAY 2022

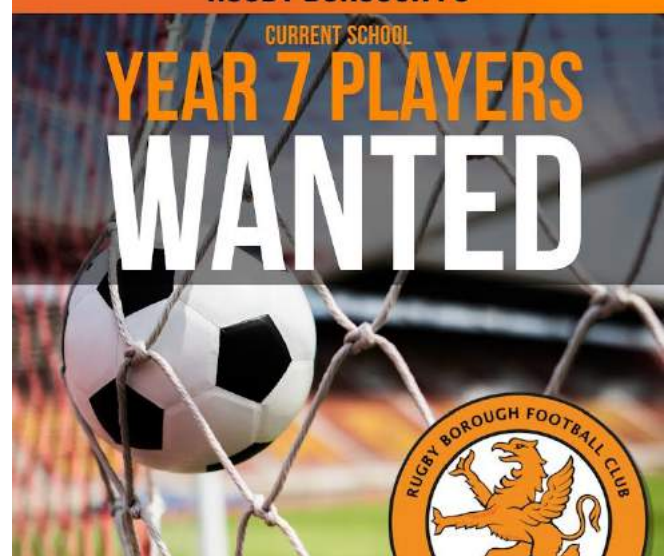
Have you got a musical talent, submit it here.
Teachers can submit too, voucher prizes for winners.

SUBMIT YOUR AUDIO OR VIDEO FILES
TO BAIDOOT@ASHLAWN.ORG.UK

RUGBY BOROUGH FC

CURRENT SCHOOL

YEAR 7 PLAYERS WANTED



AS WE ARE MOVING TO 11 A SIDE WE ARE
LOOKING AT ADDING TO OUR CURRENT SQUAD.
WE WILL BE PLAYING ON A SUNDAY AFTERNOON.

SESSIONS ON A MONDAY 6-7PM STARTING 9TH MAY

PLEASE CONTACT SAM ON 07907814204