

Ashley Road, Walton on Thames KT12 1HX 10th July 2026

Headteacher Message



“ Love others as we
love ourselves ”

Good Afternoon,

As we come to the end of another busy fortnight, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support and celebrate some very special achievements across our school.

I am delighted to share that our recent SIAMS inspection was highly successful. The inspection report recognises the many strengths of our school community and reflects the dedication, care and commitment shown by our staff, Local Committee, families and children every day. The full report can now be found on our school website, and I encourage you to take the time to read it.

I would also like to offer a huge thank you to everyone for their support during the recent heatwaves. The soaring temperatures have certainly brought challenges, and it has not been easy for pupils or staff. Your kindness and thoughtfulness have meant a great deal to us all. The many supportive messages, along with the cold drinks and ice lollies provided for staff, were greatly appreciated and lifted spirits during some very warm days.

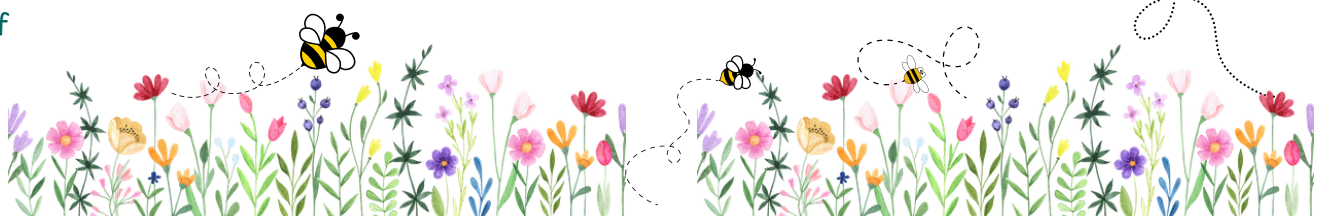
Despite the heat, the children have remained positive and resilient. They have enjoyed cooling off with ice pops, fresh watermelon and time under the sprinkler, all of which helped make the hottest days a little more manageable. I am incredibly proud of how our whole school community pulled together to keep the school open, safe and as comfortable as possible for everyone.

This week has been filled with creativity and talent. It was a real pleasure to enjoy the amazing performances of Matilda by our Year 6 pupils. The children were outstanding, demonstrating confidence, enthusiasm and remarkable performance skills. We are immensely proud of every child who took part, both on stage and behind the scenes. Thank you to the staff and families whose support helped make the production such a success.

As we approach the end of the school year, I would also like to take the opportunity to remind all members of our community that our office team deserve to be treated with **respect, kindness and courtesy**. They work incredibly hard to support families, staff and pupils on a daily basis and are often the first point of contact for parents. While we understand that there may be times when families have questions or concerns regarding decisions made by the leadership team, we ask that these are raised in a respectful and constructive manner. Our office staff do not make these decisions, and they should never be placed in the difficult position of receiving frustration or criticism on behalf of others. We greatly value the positive relationships we have with our families and thank you for your support in maintaining a culture of mutual respect and care.

As we head into the weekend, I hope everyone has the opportunity to enjoy a well-earned rest from the heat and spend some quality time with family and friends.

Mrs Ratcliff



Year updates during the past fortnight

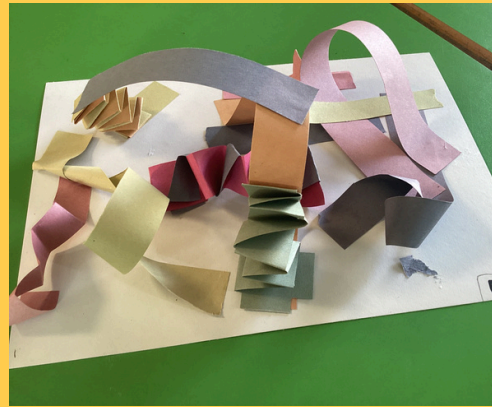
Reception

Reception enjoyed visiting the Ashley foot spa to keep themselves cool this week. They also thoroughly enjoyed running through the sprinklers and ice pops in the shade. They should be proud of the resilience they have shown this week in the extreme heat.



Year 1

During our art lessons, Year 1 have been experimenting turning 2D into 3D, exploring height, width and depth. Take a look at our experimental sculptures! We are looking forward to using the skills to make our bird sculptures next week.



Year 2

Year 2 has been taking part in The World Caretaker Project. We had an opportunity to visit our very own hives, which was an exciting experience for everyone. To make the experience even more memorable, the children were able to take home a small jar of honey that they extracted themselves last week.



Year 3

As the end of the school year draws closer, Year 3 have been continuing their dive into the Roman empire and the impact it has had on the Britain we know and live today. The classes have been designing and creating their own Roman shield for our great works, as well as, writing informal letters from the perspective of a Roman soldier that is away from home.



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Keep up to date with the amazing things our pupils are experiencing and learning by following our social media pages.

Key Email Addresses

We actively encourage parents and carers to communicate with us and sometimes there are important messages to share with key people. Urgent items should always be telephoned through to the school office but below are some of the most useful email addresses for parents to share information

parents@ashley.surrey.sch.ukvia office
head@ashley.surrey.sch.ukheadteacher
dsl@ashley.surrey.sch.uksafeguarding concerns
senco@ashley.surrey.sch.ukSEND concerns
hslw@ashley.surrey.sch.uk ...Home School Link Worker

Year updates during the past Fortnight

Year 4

This week in Year 4, students talking about the Golden Rule in RE and how it helps people to live fairly. We discussed how the Golden Rule wording is different in other religions but they all mean the same thing - love yourself as you love your neighbour. We then thought about how we can see the Golden Rule reflected at our school and designed posters to reflect this.



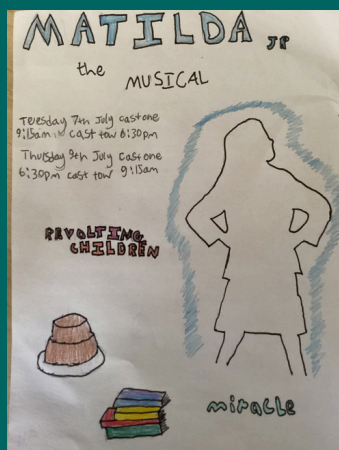
Year 5

Year 5 has had the pleasure of taking part in not one but two additional workshops, in addition to Sports Day last week. The children loved learning new circus skills, which required superb hand-eye co-ordination, as well as experiencing an introductory cricket session courtesy of Surrey County Cricket Club. Year 5 loved having more opportunities for outdoor learning and have demonstrated great determination when trying new skills. Well done, Year 5!



Year 6

Year 6 is busy entertaining pupils and parents with their wonderful version of Matilda Jr. They have rehearsed hard, practised well and pulled off four fabulous performances- bravo and well done both of the casts.



Please can you make sure your child comes to school with a hat and a water bottle. Children should have had sun cream applied at home.



SUMMER 2 2025-26

Dates

Stay in the loop with the details of the below dates on our school website calendar. You can subscribe to this calendar to stay up to date! We also share further information in our bi-weekly newsletter, our weekly year group emails and our social media platforms - @ashleyschoolUK

Week 3 : 15/06/26 15/6 - KS2 Sports Day 15/6 - Reception 26 Stay & Play 16/6 - Class photos 16/6 - Year 6 Leaver Service 16/6 - Reception 26 Stay & Play 19/6 - Y5 Cleves Mini Olympic	Week 4: 22/06/26 22/6 - KS1 Sports day 24/6 - KS2 Elmbridge School choir 25/6 - Y6 Water sports day 26/6 - Inset Day - School closed to pupils	Week 4: 29/06/26 29/6 - Inset Day - School closed to pupils 01/7 - Y6 Dress rehearsal 02/7 - Y6 Dress rehearsal 03/7 - Y2 Otter Cleves Mini Olympics	Week 5: 06/07/26 07/7 - Y6 Production - Matinee/Evening 09/7 - Y3 Greatworks 9.30am 09/7 - Y6 Production - Matinee/Evening 10/7 - Inset Day - School closed to pupils
Week 6: 13/07/26 16/7 iRock Concert 14.00pm 17/7 - Whole School VIP 17/7 - Year 6 End of Year Party 18/7 - Big Picnic	Week 7: 20/07/26 20/7 - Y6 Church Service 21/7 - Y6 Shirt Signing 22/7 - End of Term 130pm pick up		

INSET DAYS 2025-2026 - School closed to pupils

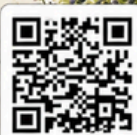
Friday 26th June
Monday 29th June
Friday 10th July

ASHLEY'S *Big Picnic*

• SATURDAY 18TH JULY •
2PM – 7PM

Bring Your Own Picnic ♥

- 🍷 BAR
- 🍦 ICE CREAMS
- ☕ COFFEE VAN
- 🚚 STREET FOOD
- 🏹 LAWN GAMES
- 🌟 GLITTER BAR
- 🎵 LIVE MUSIC
- 💡 IMAGINATION STATION
- 🎨 CRAFTS



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SPORTS DAY

A huge thank you to all the fantastic sports crew members and additional supporters for assisting with the smooth running of the Sports Days over the past couple of weeks. Your attention to detail, encouragement for others and tallying talents made for an efficient and enjoyable event. We hope to see your skills utilised once again.





Reminder



Please can we remind you to order your child's school meal in advance. Ordering closes on the Friday before and meals cannot be ordered after this time.



Please can we remind all parents to log in and review all your child's details to ensure we have the correct contact information such as correct mobile numbers and emergency contact details. We require at least 3 emergency contact details so please ensure these are all up to date. If you have changed address or telephone numbers recently, please ensure that you amend these details via the app as soon as possible.



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♥ Add your child's name and class
and we will allocate your numbers

SCAN TO ENTER!



Thank you for supporting Heron Class! ♥

TRAVEL SURVEY

Dear Parents, Carers and Guardians

Surrey County Council's Safer Travel Team are asking parents to complete the Active Travel to School Survey. Please complete the survey on behalf of your child to help make sure they can travel safely to school, and to support walking and cycling to school, with all the benefits that brings for the climate, the environment and our children's health.

Thank you to those of you who have already completed the survey. We have now streamlined the survey and updated the mobile interface. We are keen to see responses from as many parents and carers as possible in order to build a full picture of travel to school.

Your participation in the survey will help Surrey County Council to give us the best possible support to improve our School Travel Plan and support the journeys your children make to school.

The survey takes just a few minutes to complete and your information will be strictly confidential. Please complete the survey today - and no later than 22nd July - on behalf of your child.

<https://online1.snapsurveys.com/ATTS-Parents-Carers-Summer2026>

QR code for parents survey:

Thank you for taking part in the survey.



REMINDER

VIP

WHOLE SCHOOL

17TH JULY



THE BIG FUTURE

The Children's Commissioner, Dame Rachel de Souza, has launched The Big Future survey.

It's your chance to have your say on what it's like to be a child or young person in England today - what you love, what worries you, how you have fun, and the changes you want for a better future.

There are questions about voting, school, your area, online safety, and space for you to tell her what you think is important!

It takes less than 10 minutes to complete the survey.



Take part now:
childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/thebigfuture
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THREE RIVERS ACADEMY



OPEN EVENING

THURSDAY 24TH SEPTEMBER 2026
5.30PM



Talk from the Principal
6pm and 7pm

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