



Early Years Newsletter Spring 2025

Ashfield Primary School

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Acorns: Mrs Joyce and Mrs Willford

Maples: Mrs Davison (Mrs Willford on Wednesdays)

Supported by: Mrs Hulme, Mrs Rhodes, Mrs Roberts, Miss Marr and Mrs Watson

We hope you had a wonderful Christmas holiday and enjoyed lots of time together as a family. We really enjoyed welcoming your children back into the setting this week and hearing all about their Christmas break. We are welcoming some new friends into our Acorns class this half term and we know both Acorns and Maples children will be fantastic at making friends and showing our new children around the unit.

We will continue to keep you updated with our exciting learning through Dojos and will send a class update each week with photographs. Parents might want to use this to encourage their child to talk to them about what they have been doing at school - a lovely opportunity to talk with your child about their learning.

Reminders

Please make sure your child has a named water bottle every day. Please also send weather appropriate clothing; warm, waterproof coats, hats and gloves. If your child comes in wellies, please also bring some shoes to change into indoors as wellies can be uncomfortable during inside time. ***Please name all footwear and clothing (including hats/gloves etc).***

Topic

This term, we will be exploring lots of exciting topics. We will start with Animal habitats, People who help us and maps. After half term, we will explore the love of books, plants and Easter. We will also be looking at festivals and celebrations including Hanukah, Chinese New Year, Holi and Easter. We are going to be very busy!

Can you volunteer?

For our 'People who help us' topic we were hoping to arrange visitors to come into the setting and talk to the children about how their job helps others. Do you have a job that helps others? Would you be willing to come in to school to talk to our children about it for a short session? Please get in touch with staff through DOJOS or on the gate if you can - many thanks in advance.

Reading Books

Maple class will continue to bring home a library book each week and will be moving onto phonics books as we continue with our RWI learning. We ask that books be returned **every Thursday** so that we can send home **new books on a Friday**. Please write in the yellow reading record when you have read together.

Acorns class will bring home a book to share with their adults. We encourage families to explore books with their children to develop a love of reading and sharing stories. We will change these books on a Monday or Wednesday depending on which days your child attends nursery.

PE

Maples will continue to do PE on Wednesdays. Please ensure a named PE kit is in school. We will send it home each term. The children are doing a fantastic job with getting themselves ready as independently as possible- please keep up the practice at home so we can continue to improve!

Acorns will continue to do PE on Wednesdays. They love going into the hall and using the big space!

Dates for your Diary

20.01.25	Author visit James Campbell
W/B 27.01.25	National story telling week including bedtime stories after school - date tbc
11.02.25	Safer Internet Day
11.02.25	NSPCC online safety event at PHGS for parents and carers
17-21.02.25	Half Term
05.03.25	Parent Consultation afternoon and evening
07.03.25	World Book Day
14.03.25	Red Nose Day
03.04.25	Friends of Ashfield Easter Disco (tbc)

