Ashdon News

January 9th Edition

Ofsted

Ofsted completed a short inspection of our school on 14th December 2022.

The type of Ofsted inspection we had was over 1 day, as the previous inspection in 2017 was rated as 'good'. Thus the report will not be as lengthy and as in-depth as a full inspection which lasts over 2 days.

It takes Ofsted up to 30 working days (so the Christmas holiday would impact this schedule) for them to draft, check, then publish the final report. We would therefore expect the report to be published by the end of January.

Once the final report has been approved, this can then be shared with staff and families. It will then be uploaded to the Ofsted website for all members of the public to access.

Until Ofsted publishes their report, I am not allowed to discuss it with anyone, including other members of staff, so sorry I am unable to comment on this any further at the present time.

Dance lessons

We are delighted to welcome back Kate Burnham to lead dance lessons as part of our PE Curriculum. Kate will be working with all 3 classes on every Friday (except the 13th January due to the Carol Concert) for the remainder of the spring term.

Therefore, all children need to be in appropriate PE Kit every Friday, as well as on Tuesdays. Class 2 also have swimming lessons at Haverhill Pool every Wednesday morning this term.

Celebrating

Carol Concert

This Friday (13th January), we are holding our postponed Carol Concert at the Ashdon Baptist Church. Families are welcome to join us and Rev. Brundritt from 9:30 am.

As Christmas has now passed, we will be singing the carols and having readings telling the Christmas story, but the younger children will not be dressing up in costume, as we had traditionally done so in the past.

Sporting success

Before Christmas, our children in each class took part in a variety of sporting challenges that were devised by the Uttlesford School Sport Partnership. Our results were then sent off to be compared with those of other local schools.

I am delighted to say that some of our children placed within the top 3 of their event: Harriet for skipping came 3rd and Molly H came 1st overall for the 'figure of 8' activity. Well done.

Dates for your diary

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Swimming Gala	11/1/23	
Class 2 swimming begins	11/1/23	
Carol Concert (9:30 am)	13/1/23	
Holocaust Service (Saffron Walden for Class 3)	27/1/23	
Safer Internet Day	7/2/23	
Parents' Evening	7/2/23	
Parents' Evening	8/2/23	

Caring Challenging