Ashburton Primary School Newsletter

"Putting Children and Learning at the Heart of Everything We Do"

December 2025 12/12/25

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This Week in Our School

Our Christmas events have begun with Reception's performance to parents/carers, Year 1 and 2's performance of *The Christmas Story* and Year 3 and 4's performance and craft afternoon with parents/carers. We have all been blown away by the children's enthusiasm and confidence. A huge thank you to all of the adults who made those events possible and to those families who have been able to join us so far.

Our foyer is all but decorated and is looking lovely. Over the weekend, we will be having new carpet fitted downstairs.

Next week, I will continue to deputise for Miss Docking.

Have a very lovely weekend.

Mrs Annette Layland, Deputy Head

Dates

The last day of term is Thursday 18th December for children.

Friday 19th December is a non-pupil day.

Monday 5th January is a non-pupil day.

Tuesday 6th January is the first day of term.

Visit the Key Dates page for more dates!

Father Christmas Visited!



Thank you Santa and his elves (who made every child a packet of sweets)!

Achievements



Writing



School Values - looking after our environment



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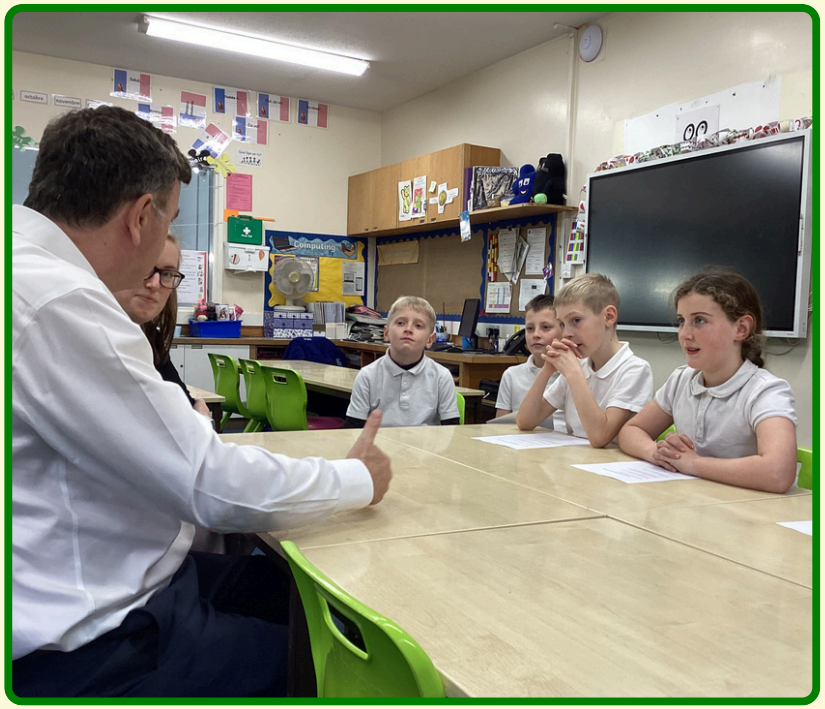
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Class who have played the most this week.....
Year 3

MP Visit

Sir Mel Stride, MP for Central Devon and Shadow Chancellor of the Exchequer, visited Ashburton Primary School today. Sir Mel had a tour of the school and spoke to members of our School Council about his career as an MP.

The children spoke confidently and clearly and asked Sir Mel some excellent questions including why he wanted to become a politician.





Key Dates

December

16th - Christmas Fair (2pm to 4pm)

16th - Carol Concert at St Andrews Church (5:30pm to 6pm)

17th - Year 5 and 6 Christmas Performance and Crafts (2pm to 3pm)

18th - Last Day of Autumn Term 2 - Mufti

19th -Non Pupil Day

January

5th - Non Pupil Day

6th - First Day of Term

9th - Reception 2026 Tour 4pm to 5pm

13th - Year 4 and 5 Walkability Training

February

11th - Whole School Aspiration Day

13th - Last Day of Term

March

2nd - Parents/Carer Pupil Progress Meeting (time tbc)

3rd - Parents/Carer Pupil Progress Meeting (time tbc)

4th to 6th - Year 6 Residential

5th - Year 5 Plymouth Energy from Waste visit

9th to 13th - Science Week

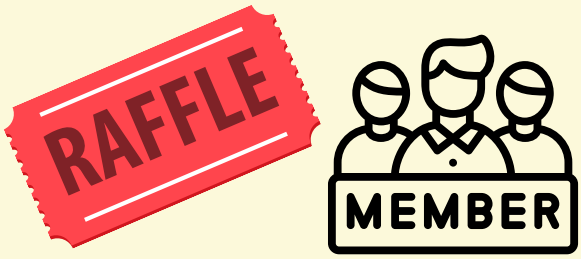


Ashburton Primary School PTA School Lottery

Did you know the PTA have a School Lottery page?

Tickets for the school lottery cost just £1 per week.

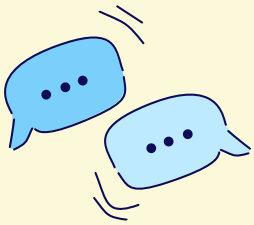
Find out more following the QR code.



Raffle Team Members Wanted

The PTA are looking for raffle team members to support with raffles. Please contact the PTA, if you are interested in this or speak to Mrs Layland on the door.

Class Chats



Y6:
https://chat.whatsapp.com/BpjIjFIQTFR2OOpTc8zFnh

Y5:
https://chat.whatsapp.com/GGYiftAElrd6ctOfOT1Oip

Y4:
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Y3:
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Y2:
https://chat.whatsapp.com/EuVl9ZgIceuHsJJg9wz9tN

Y1:
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December Kindness 2025

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
1 Spread kindness and share the December calendar with others	2 Contact someone you can't be with to see how they are	3 Offer to help someone who is facing difficulties at the moment	4 Support a charity, cause or campaign you really care about	5 Give a gift to someone who is homeless or feeling lonely	6 Leave a positive message for someone else to find	7 Give kind comments to as many people as possible today
8 Do something helpful for a friend or family member	9 Notice when you're hard on yourself or others and be kind instead	10 Listen wholeheartedly to others without judging them	11 Buy an extra item and donate it to a local food bank	12 Be generous. Feed someone with food, love or kindness today	13 See how many different people you can smile at today	14 Share a happy memory or inspiring thought with a loved one
15 Say hello to your neighbour and brighten up their day	16 Look for something positive to say to everyone you speak to	17 Give thanks. List the kind things others have done for you	18 Ask for help and let someone else discover the joy of giving	19 Contact someone who may be alone or feeling isolated	20 Help others by giving away something that you don't need	21 Appreciate kindness and thank people who do things for you
22 Congratulate someone for an achievement that may go unnoticed	23 Choose to give or receive the gift of forgiveness	24 Bring joy to others. Share something which made you laugh	25 Treat everyone with kindness today, including yourself!	26 Get outside. Pick up litter or do something kind for nature	27 Call a relative who is far away to say hello and have a chat	28 Be kind to the planet. Eat less meat and use less energy
29 Turn off digital devices and really listen to people	30 Let someone know how much you appreciate them and why	31 Plan some new acts of kindness to do in 2026				









ACTION FOR HAPPINESS

Happier · Kinder · Together



OPENING ON 13TH NOVEMBER!

ASHBURTON SOCIAL SUPERMARKET

Mill Path Community Room
St Andrews Close, TQ13 7EG

THURSDAYS

2.30 cafe open - 3-4 shop open

suggested donation £4.50

Better Places

Our social supermarket is for everyone!

Help reduce food waste

Good quality low cost food

AND reduce your weekly grocery budget too!

Please support this community initiative so it thrives and survives

ASPIRATION DAY

Wednesday 11th February 2026

Ashburton Primary School is having an Aspiration Day. This is a day for our children to learn about a variety of careers, occupations and industries to broaden their knowledge and understanding and encourage them to dream big for their future!

We need your help!

We are looking for volunteers who would have some time to speak to children about their career. Please complete the form if you can help us!

ASHBURTON PRIMARY SCHOOL ASPIRATION DAY



Ashburton Primary School Aspiration Day

Christmas
At Ashburton Primary School

Tuesday 9th December - Reception Christmas Show - 2pm to 3pm

Wednesday 10th December - Christmas Dinner Day

Thursday 11th December - Christmas Jumper Day

Thursday 11th December - KS1 Christmas Performance - 2pm to 3pm and 5pm to 6pm

Friday 12th December - Year 3 and 4 Christmas Performance and Crafts – 2pm to 3pm

Tuesday 16th December - Christmas Fair - 2pm to 4pm

Tuesday 16th December - Ashburton Primary School Christmas Carols at St Andrews Church - 5:30pm to 6:00pm

Wednesday 17th December - Year 5 and 6 Christmas Performance and Crafts – 2pm to 3pm

Thursday 18th December - Mufti

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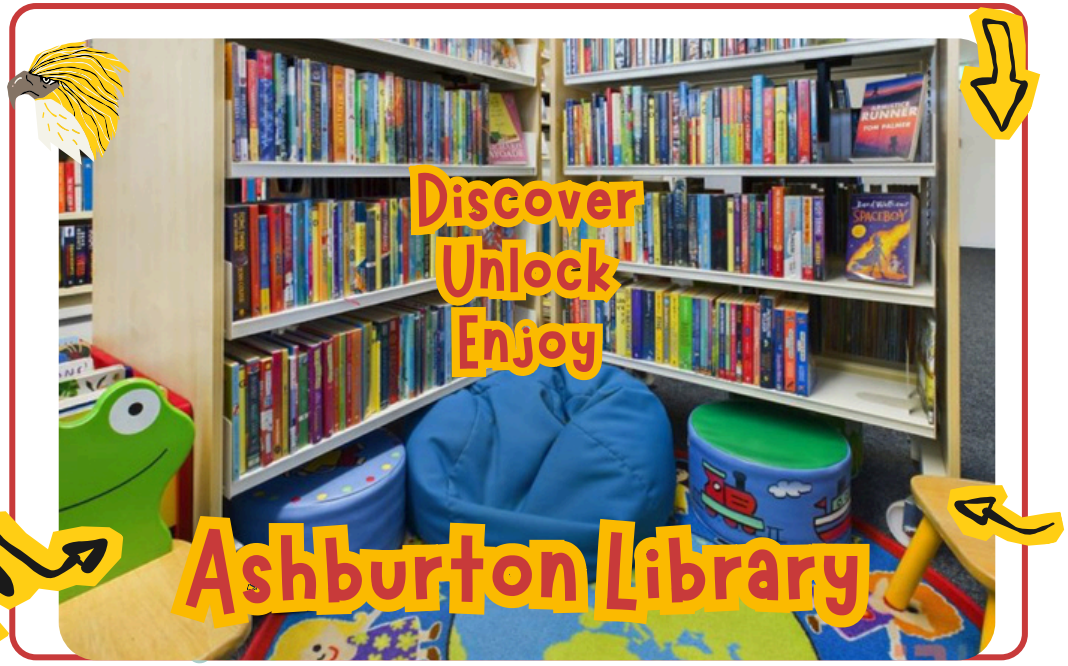
ASHBURTON PRIMARY SCHOOL INVITES YOU TO JOIN US FOR

Christmas CAROLS



16 DEC 25 **5:30 PM TO 6PM**

St Andrews Church, Ashburton





Pre-Loved Uniform

We have a range of pre-loved uniform for sale for 50p an item.
This can be located just inside the playground double doors.



ASHBURTON COMMUNITY FRIDGE

- Free to all residents
- Open 24/7
- Located behind the Town Hall by the Information Centre

START WITH A SOUND



CHILDREN'S CHOIR

SATURDAYS FROM 9.30-10.30AM
@THE YARD, BUCKFASTLEIGH
8-12YRS

START WITH A SOUND IS A SINGING GROUP RUN BY MATILDA JAINE FOR CHILDREN AGED 8-12 YEARS WHERE EVERYONE IS WELCOME WHETHER THEY'RE NEW TO SINGING OR ALREADY KNOW THEY LOVE IT. WE WILL EXPLORE AND DISCOVER WHAT OUR VOICES CAN DO, BUILD CONFIDENCE AND SHARE THE JOY OF SINGING TOGETHER AS A GROUP.
£8.50 PER SESSION, PARENTS CAN STAY OR DROP-OFF
CONTACT MATILDA ON MATILDAJAINE@HOTMAIL.CO.UK

N8: NO SESSIONS ON 22ND NOVEMBER & 13TH DECEMBER