



Ashill VC Primary School Newsletter



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Summer holiday building work



During the summer holidays, we are undertaking a renovation project to transform an existing PE store into a Thrive room (more info below).

We will have contractors on sight throughout the holidays.



We cannot facilitate ICS holiday clubs during the summer holiday.

This is **NOT an end** to ICS provision at Ashill.

This is a well-used and valuable resource for the school community.

We fully support ICS running future holiday clubs at Ashill.



Alternative holiday clubs that are part of the HAF funding scheme are listed here;

<https://www.activenorfolk.org/public/bignorfolkholidayfun/>



The Thrive programme is a way of supporting children and young people's social and emotional wellbeing. Children learn to develop secure relationships, resilience and emotional regulation. When students feel safe, valued and understood, they are able to learn, form friendships and engage fully in school life.

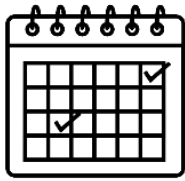
The project will mean that we have a designated space for delivering the Thrive programme to individuals and groups of pupils across the school.

It will also mean we have an alternative entrance to the building for some pupils that find the transition from home to school challenging.

Have a great half term and we will see you when we return on Monday 1st June.

With best wishes

Dan Pickard
Headteacher



Ashill VC Primary
 Dates in advance
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Mon 1 June	2nd half of Summer term 26 begins
Fri 5 June	Fathers' day buy a gift
Tues 9 June	Bumblebee Class – Once upon a time – Gressenhall Trip
Tues 9 June	Hedgehog Class – Curriculum Cafe – Ancient Greece
11 & 12 June	Badger Class – London Residential Trip
Tues 16 June	Whole School Drop In 3.15pm to 4.15pm
Tues 16 June	September Intake Parent's Meeting 6pm
Wed 17 June	Sports Day (previously advertised as 20th May)
Fri 19 June	Hedgehog Class – Bikeability Level One
Mon 22 June	KS2 Inter House Rounders (PM)
Thurs 25 June	Hedgehog Class – Ancient Greece Day (at school)
Mon 29 June	KS2 Inter House Cricket (PM)
1 & 2 July	The Nicholas Hammond Academy Transition Days
Fri 3 July	Squirrel Class – Curriculum Cafe
Mon 6 July	Badger Class Production to parents at Fountain of Life evening performance time to be confirmed.
7 - 9 July	Wayland Academy Transition Days
Friday 10 July	Leavers Service at St Nicholas Church 9.30am (previously advertised as 17th July – changed to accommodate Yr 6 transitions) Annual reports sent out to parents. Summer family celebration event 5.30pm to 8.30pm (in place of discos previously advertised for 9 July).
w/b 13 July	Transition week – children work in new class groups in preparation for September.
13 July	Whole School Trip
Tues 14 July	New Year R Transition Day in Bumblebee Class 9.15am to 10.30am
13 & 14 July	Litcham Transition Days
Tues 14 July	Year 6 Pleasurewood Hills Trip
Wed 15 July	New Year R Transition Day in Bumblebee Class 9.15am to 10.30am
Thur 16 July	New Year R Transition Day in Bumblebee Class 9.15am to 10.30am
Fri 17 July	Last day of Summer term – school finishes at 3.15pm

2025-2026 Term dates

Summer term: Tues 14th Apr to Fri
22nd May
17th July Mon 1st Jun to Fri

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P.E. Days

Bumblebee Class	Tuesdays
Squirrel Class	Tuesdays
Hedgehog Class	Mondays & Wednesdays
Badgers	Mondays (P.E.) & Fridays (Swimming Year 6 only)

Forest School

Squirrel Class & Bumblebee Class	Fridays Year 2 on Fri 5 th June only, Year 1 and Year R from 5 th June until 10 th July
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What's Been Happening?

Hedgehog Class Visit to Eaton Vale

The class once again enjoyed an action-packed visit to Eaton Vale near Norwich, last week. The children were invited to step outside of their comfort zones, during participating in activities such as archery, crate stacking and team building games. The Centre operates a 'challenge by choice' philosophy, which means every child tackles the tasks to the level they want to, for some this might be watching, and for others it might be getting fully involved and pushing themselves further than they thought possible. The Centre is incredibly welcoming and cannot do enough for us, plus the food is very decent, always a bonus!!

In the evening, the children had an 'Eggberts Escapade' challenge, where they had to 'win' materials to wrap up an egg, (not hard boiled!) and then perform something to the school staff to 'win' Sellotape to secure their materials to the egg. We heard all manner of made up and known songs, jokes, facts, stories, or other performances, which was entertaining and allowed us to see yet another side to the Hedgehog Class children.

These experiences are so valuable to the children. For many it's the first time they have stayed away from home, their first time at trying certain activities or the first time they have had the chance to show a side of themselves that the experience naturally brings out. A really good time was had by all and we're ready to do it again next year!

Enjoy having a look at just some of the many photos taken of key moments over the two days!







