

## ASHBROW NEWSLETTER SEPTEMBER 2014

### A good start to the new school year

A very warm welcome to the new academic year. The children have settled very well into their new classes and it is lovely to have them back. Thank you to everyone who has made such an effort with the children's uniform. Please try to ensure that names go into every item of clothing. This really will help to avoid upset when looking for mislaid uniform.

### Best of British Lunch

On Thursday October 2<sup>nd</sup> we will be having a Best of British Lunch. All the vegetables, fruit and honey served on that day will have been grown and harvested by the children. They



have been amazingly successful thanks to the support of Andrew, Yvonne, staff and volunteers who helped to make it all possible. If your child usually has a packed lunch but you would like him/her to enjoy a school meal on that day please take the opportunity to pay for a school meal in advance. Our school kitchen teams do a super job every day but their Roast Dinner Days are exceptionally popular. For children in Reception, year 1 and year 2

NO payment is required – just let the office know if your child would like the meal.

### Charity fundraising/harvest

Also on Thursday October 2<sup>nd</sup> we will be raising money for charity. If you wish your child to participate please send a silver coin donation to school with your child in return for a small jar of Ashbrow honey.



On the morning of October 2<sup>nd</sup> you are invited into school. Years 1 and 2 will begin with a bread making demonstration in the hall followed by an informative session about Ashbrow Honey.

Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 will welcome parents from 9.00am before going into the hall for the bread making demonstration and honey assembly. It would be great to see you. We hope you can come.

### Parent/Carer Consultation meetings

Later this term we will be holding parent /consultation meetings. The focus will be on how well your child has settled and how you can help your child achieve their maximum potential. More information about this will follow shortly.

### Building Work

The building work continues and we appreciate that this presents a number of challenges for us all. Thank you for your patience and understanding. The work should be complete by half term and we will have a much improved learning environment.

As soon as the building work has been completed inside and outside we will be able to start up more clubs. We will do our best to give everyone the opportunity to take part in an after school club, so please sit down with your child and choose carefully. We will endeavour to accommodate as many as possible, but may have to offer an alternative or a waiting list if inundated with requests.

### **Start of the school day**

Please try and bring your child to school before 8.50am as this will help to get the school day off to a good start. So many of you understand the importance of punctuality and we value your support.

Breakfast Club is available from 8.10am and is free. We now have over 100 children at Breakfast Club every day. They love to enjoy their breakfast with their friends. Occasionally we have to remind one or two children about how they should behave. Most children respond quickly. However should the need arise, parents may be asked **not** to bring their child to Breakfast Club.

### **Choir**

This week some children joined our new choir. The choir teacher who visits other schools across Huddersfield commented on the children's lovely manners and behaviour. She noted that it was one of the best she had been to for behaviour in school. The children are a real credit. Thank you for supporting them.

### **Nursery Places**

We have vacancies in Nursery for children who are already 3 years of age. Please call in to the KS1 office for more information.

### **Book Bags**

Homework and reading books will only be sent home if a suitable bag is provided. Book bags may be purchased from either office at a cost of £2.50.

### **Email Addresses**

Please provide your email address to either office so that we can email future letters and newsletters directly to you.