



Next Week – Week 2

19 October: ASA Virtual AGM

21 October: Online 'Into the 6th' Evening

26 October: Half Term

School News and Notices

Uniform

As Autumn takes hold and we start to welcome winter please can we encourage parents to ensure their children are prepared for school. Our [COVID-19 risk assessment](#) means that corridors and classrooms have to be well ventilated, quite often with doors and windows remaining open throughout the day. A plain black underlayer on days students wear PE kit and a plain white one for uniform days would ensure your son/daughter is warmer during this period of time when we have to have the windows open. Thank you all for your help in this matter.

Parent Forum

Our Parent Forum meets virtually in the evening once per term. We are grateful to our existing parents on the forum for giving up this time, and providing us with very helpful feedback on various strategic items. If you might be interested in joining the Parent Forum, please contact Fiona Thompson on ftompson@ashlyns.herts.sch.uk who can give you more information.

Face Masks

Due to the environmental impact, we no longer provide free disposable masks. Students are able to obtain a reusable, washable mask from outside the Chapel (by the Silent Learning Room) between 8.15 and 8.30am each day. These masks are £1 each, payable by cash. If students arrive without the £1 to pay, parents/carers will be contacted by our Finance Department regarding payment of any money owed.

DSPL Parent/Carer Support courses

For a full list of courses and workshops for parents and carers of children with Special Educational Needs in Dacorum please click [here](#).

Safeguarding

A reminder that all students have free access to online, safe and confidential counselling through www.kooth.com, provided free for schools in Hertfordshire.

Virtual Open Evening for Y6 Students

Please follow the ticker-tape link from our website home page to see the latest video additions to our online map!

Online 'Into the 6th' Evening

Year 11 parents will be receiving documents and an invitation to next Wednesday's event via post and email on Monday.

Key dates this half term:

- 20 November: Y11 Trial Exams Begin
- 27 November: Occasional Day
- 30 November: INSET Day

Attachments:

- ASA Halloween Virtual Quiz & Bingo
- ASA Xmas Hamper Raffle

Communications:

- Face Masks Reminder
- Y7 Flu Immunisation Reminder
- Wisepay Update

Attendance

Forms with the highest attendance week ending 9 October:

7R2 - 99.35%

8R1 - 100%

9C2 - 98.95%

10R1 - 97.65%

11H2 - 99.58%

Music Lessons

The majority of music lessons are now taking place in school.

Timetables will be posted on the Music Block notice board and on Google Classroom (code nq4d5yw), so please remind your child to check these regularly as they may be subject to change. If you are expecting to have lessons and have still not heard from HMS please let us know at:

musictuition@ashlyns.herts.sch.uk.

If there are any current music students who would like to stop lessons at the end of the autumn term please email:

SchoolsDirectInvoicing@hertfordshire.gov.uk.



Current house points



Bourne	Coram	Handel	Raven
7527	7508	7237	7020
1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th



16/10/2020



News from The ASA

ASA AGM - Monday 19th October - 7.30pm via ZOOM

The meeting is open to all, we'll be voting in key roles and discussing our current and future events, so please join us - we need as many as possible to ensure we meet our quorum for voting, as well as feedback for what events we can and cannot run, so any ideas are welcome.

Agenda, Chair's and Treasurer's reports have been sent out in advance for all to read in more detail in order to keep the meeting succinct, so please email the asa@ashlyns.herts.sch.uk if you'd like to view these.

<https://zoom.us/j/94200886467?pwd=elNPZHAweG8zV3lheUVldjhYbXRuZz09>

Meeting ID: 942 0088 6467 Passcode: 535935

HALLOWEEN QUIZ & BINGO NIGHT - Saturday 31st October 7-9pm

Don't forget to email or send in your forms via the office - treat bags for each household taking part and prizes to be won.

We can only run this event if we have enough takers, so don't delay!

CHRISTMAS HAMPER RAFFLE - for all parents/carers, staff and teachers - donations please!!

Please see attached flyer with full details of Hamper themes, donation suggestions and drop-off locations. PLEASE NOTE: parents are not allowed to drop off donations to school; students can bring in donations (there's a box in reception) but they not permitted to bring alcohol donations into school.



Year 7 and 8 Halloween Party

In the School Hall – Friday 25 October – 7.00-8.30pm

Tickets £5.00 (including snack and drink)

Fancy dress prizes

Spooky stall – bring your pocket money!

Tickets must be bought in advance

To get your e-ticket please return the booking form to the school office,
marked "ASA HALLOWEEN PARTY" by Friday 18th October at the latest.

First come, first served – 200 tickets available!



Welcome to Ashlyns School

The annual Halloween Party for our years 7 and 8s is a great ice-breaker and a brilliant chance to dress up and get together with friends!

Just fill in the form below and hand it into the school office together with your payment by Friday 18th October.

ASA HALLOWEEN PARTY

Student's Name:

Form:

Parent/guardian's telephone number:

Email:

Please tick if you can help:

☐ Set up at 4pm or ☐ During the evening party

Payment enclosed:

☐ Cheque or ☐ Cash Amount: £

Cheques made payable to Ashlyns School Association

(Tickets will not be issued – your ticket confirmation will be e-mailed to you and the student's name added to the entry list)



The Ashlyns School Association Christmas Hamper Raffle 2020

Draw date 14 December

**Further information for buying
tickets coming soon!**

**Win a fabulous hamper this Christmas –
and raise money for the school!**

Open to all parents, carers, teachers and staff!

We need your help...

Please donate an item for your Year Group's hamper!

See themes and donation ideas below – gift vouchers are also welcome,
please consider supporting small businesses by buying local:

Year 7 Arts and crafts

(Paper, pencils, paints, any craft activity, etc)

Year 8 Home and garden

(Seeds, tools, DIY items, picnic items,
garden games, etc)

Year 9 World food and drink

(Not just pasta and rice please!)

Year 10 Christmas

(Decorations, themed food and games, etc)

Year 11 Bakes and treats

(Cakes, sweets, treats, baking ingredients,
utensils, decorations, etc)

Year 12 Pampering and wellbeing

(Candles, face mask, mindfulness,
colouring in, jigsaws, etc)

Year 13 Movie night in

(Sweet and savoury snacks, cosy socks,
blanket, board games, etc)

All donations must be new and unused. Food and drink items
must have a use-by date of at least March 2021 please.

**Donations can be left at one of our drop-off locations
listed below or sent in with students to the school:**

30 Oakwood

(off Shootersway)
Berkhamsted HP4 3NQ

4 Valley Road

(near Westfield)
Northchurch HP4 3PY

9 South Park Gardens

(off Bridgewater Road)
Berkhamsted HP4 1JA

9 Birchnell Close

(near Gossoms End)
Berkhamsted HP4 1FE

31 Swing Gate Lane

(near Captains Walk)
Berkhamsted HP4 2LL

10 Ryder Close

Bovingdon HP3 0HY

20 Hawkins Way

Bovingdon HP3 0UB

Please note:

Parents/carers are
not permitted to drop
off donations at school

Strictly no alcohol should
be sent into school