



Next week- Week 2/B

Attendance reporting procedures Please report children's absence by 08.30 each morning via the Arbor app. Please use the [Absence Form](#) to report future absence e.g. dentist appointments.

Safeguarding

Child and Adolescent to Parent Violence and Abuse (CAPVA) describes repeated patterns of abusive behaviour by a child or young person towards a parent or carer. For further information and support avenues with regards to this top please see this [link](#).

Year 11 Exams

Year 11 and Year 13 have continued to impress us this week with their work ethic and commitment to their examinations; we hope they manage some rest this weekend along with their revision!

Summer Chill

Our Summer Chill Concert takes place on 21 May in the chapel - please do come along and hear our talented music students, tickets are £2 on the door.

Student achievements

DofE

Congratulations to Jacob B-R (Y13) and 3 of our past students Arthur G, Konur O and Maya O. Who have completed their Gold Duke of Edinburgh Award. It is such an achievement. They will be attending a presentation at Buckingham Palace on the 22 May to receive their award. We also have a number of other Year 13 students who are nearly across the line with completing their Gold Award.

Good luck also to our Year 9s who will be completing their Bronze assessed expedition this weekend.

Ski Team

Huge congratulations to the Ashlyns School Ski team who picked up a silver medal at the National Indoor Championships held at Hemel Snow Dome on Monday. With James P winning the U16 boys competition, Finlay M picking up 4 in the U19 boys championship and Freya H and Max W doing well, the team ended up 1 point behind the eventual winners. A great experience and huge congratulations to James P who has been selected to be part of the National Alpine Squad for the 2026/2027 season. The next competition is only 2 weeks away and the team is going from strength to strength. If you have a keen skier who would like to be part of the squad please do get in touch with Miss Bjornsgaard at school.



Key Dates

- 21 May: Summer Chill Concert
- 25-29 May: Half Term
- 27 June: Summer Concert
- 2 July: Y11 Prom

Next Week [New](#) [Spring/Summer Menu:](#) Week 2

Communications

- [Study Leave Arrangements for Y13 Students](#)

Vacancies

- [Drama Teacher with English \(Maternity Cover\)](#)

House Points

Current house points			
Bourne	Coram	Handel	Raven
26238	32332	31928	33382
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15/05/2026

Music Lessons

If you wish to stop Music Lessons at the end of the Summer Term please email HMS.customersupport@herfordshire.gov.uk by the end of this half term, Friday 22 May or use this [form](#) to withdraw from lessons.

If notice is given after this date, costs will be incurred. If you wish to register for music lessons for next September please go to [HMS Music Lesson Registration](#)

Any other queries regarding Music Tuition at Ashlyns School please email musictuition@ashlyns.herts.sch.uk.

Herts Schools County Athletics Championship: Saturday 6 June

If your child has met the necessary standards and would like to be entered into the County champs please ask them to see Mr Preston or a member of PE to register their details by Wednesday 20 May.

School Travel

Hertfordshire County Council are consulting on their Road Safety Strategy. The consultation focuses on routes used by children, traffic speeds and includes what would make journeys to school feel safer for those who chose to walk or cycle. The strategy itself has a goal to cut serious injury collisions involving children by 70%.

To assist with this Hertfordshire County Council welcomes the views of the whole school community and would be grateful if you could take a few minutes to complete the survey: [Road Safety Strategy consultation](#)

Careers

Please find a flyer [here](#), with information about a "Careers in the RAF" showcasing event taking place in Luton: 24-26 July.

Coram Family Lives Parenting Groups

We still have spaces on two of our parenting groups: "Getting on with your Pre-Teen/Teenager" and "Less Shouting More Cooperation". Please find more information [here](#) and [here](#).

DSPL8 Parents/Carers Summer Newsletter

Please find attached the latest DSPL8 Newsletter [here](#).

ASA News

ASA Comedy Night, Friday 10 July

Meet the act who's been compared to Bill Bailey...

CHRISTIAN REILLY is a Perrier Award-winning comedian, former partner of gruff American mainstay of comedy Rich Hall!

His career has taken him to major venues around the world, receiving accolades at international festivals and numerous network TV credits - and he's bringing his unique blend of comedy and music to the ASA Comedy Night on Friday 10th July.

"If you're a fan of Bill Bailey or Rich Hall, you're probably a Christian Reilly fan already" - THE GUARDIAN

"Seriously cool, seriously funny" Richard Herring

Dig a little deeper and find out way more about him [here](#)!

Book your tickets & curry [here](#)

Follow & like us on [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#) and visit our website [here](#)

As always...

Stay in the loop: Complete this [form](#) to receive updates on fundraising activities and see where your contributions make a difference

Join our lottery: Sign up for the ASA 100 Club [here](#) for monthly chances to win cash prizes

Shop & raise: Sign up [here](#) for Easyfundraising - raise funds effortlessly while you shop online

Get in touch: asa@ashlyns.herts.sch.uk

Tooled Up at Ashlyns - resources from Dr Kathy Weston: School PIN 4989



30 Simple and Creative
Toddler Activities for
Weekends and Holidays

Tips to Try 3 minute read



100 Sports for Children and
Teens to Try

Activity



30 Activities for Families
with Teens

Activity

Spending quality time as a family plays a vital role in children's emotional wellbeing.

Whether it's a simple activity at home, a weekend outing, or making the most out of the school holidays, these shared moments help strengthen relationships and create long lasting memories.

By prioritising time together you're not only supporting your child's wellbeing but also fostering opportunities for conversation, laughter and learning as a family. Activities and plans need not be expensive or elaborate, but just simple, enjoyable and stress free.

Tooled Up has a range of ideas for all ages designed to help you.

For the little ones, our **early years expert has created [30 Simple and Creative Toddler Activities for Weekends and Holiday](#)**. These **fun, low-cost ideas** require little to no preparation and are perfect for any day **whether it's raining, sunny** or something in between.

Originally curated for the Olympics and Paralympics, **[100 Sports for Children and Teens to Try](#)** offers **something even if your family isn't sporty**. Most of the **sports included have options for children and adults with disabilities** making it easy for the whole family to try something new together.

It's perfectly **normal for teens** to want to **be with friends, but family time still matters**. These **[30 Activities for Families with Teens](#)** are designed to be **fun, spark conversation and respect your child's growing independence**. Many of the ideas are quick, simple and low-cost, while a few offer memorable experiences with a little extra planning.