

# DOWNSEND PRE-PREP TIMES



## Ashtead



**'OUTSTANDING'**  
SIS Inspection 2014-2015  
Downsend Pre-Prep Ashtead

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### Message from the Head Teacher

Wow! What a fantastic way to end this week and the first half of the term. Today's Sports Morning was a great success. The rain held off and the children competed in their races with real purpose and determination. The babies in the Royal Dash managed without a tear, the astronauts arrived safely in their Race to Mars and the Mini-marathon was eagerly completed.

Faces full of smiles, enthusiasm and excitement filled both sides of the track. Everyone was cheering as they entered into the spirit of the event.

The children were on top form and I was particularly impressed when seeing how they supported their friends and team mates.

Afterwards back at school, everyone tucked into Mrs McCluskey's picnic which went down a treat.

Thank you to Mrs Catlow and her wonderful team for making our Sports Morning so enjoyable.

I hope you all enjoy this Bank Holiday weekend and have a great half term.

**Tessa Roberts**

### Sponsored Children



This half of term the children have been enjoying visiting the World Vision portal to find out more about each sponsored child. Letters have been exchanged and gifts are currently winging their way to each child as I write.

### Sports Morning Magic





## Downsend School

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## Golden Board

**Achievements in class work, good manners and excellent behaviour are celebrated in a special assembly every week.**

**We congratulated the following children today:**

### First Steps

All of First Steps for their energetic and enthusiastic participation on Sports Morning.

**Rising Reception AP**  
Edward Truong

**Rising Reception SR**  
Harrison Gay

### Reception

All of Reception for their inquisitive and interesting questions at the Sea Life Centre

**Year One**  
Holly Sweeney  
Dexter Wharton

## Well Done!

## Under the Sea

This week Reception visited the Brighton Sea Life Centre, in great anticipation for a new topic 'Under the Sea'. The day was full of fun and exploration. On arrival, the children were greeted by the excellent guides who led them through a 'Who eats Who?' workshop. The children came away with some wonderful facts about predators and prey. They even had the opportunity to touch real starfish and sea urchins before exploring all areas of the aquarium, including the under water tunnel. The children were amazed (and slightly nervous) as black tip and hammer head sharks swam over their heads!



Jack "This is so cool!"

Brennan "I can see the sharks teeth. They are so sharp!"

What a wonderful day!

**Christeen Hill**

## Events Week Commencing Monday 4 June

### Lunch Menu Week 1

### Get Active Week

### Golden Boot Challenge

<b>Mon</b>	15.30-16.30	Art around the World
<b>Tues</b>	09.45-11.15 15.30-16.30	Charity Day - Stripey Storkathon Tots in Tune STEAM Club
<b>Wed</b>	15.30-16.30	Multi-Sports Club
<b>Thurs</b>	15.30-16.30	Musical Theatre Club
<b>Fri</b>	09.00-12.00	Skipping Day

## Fabulous Farmyard Sports

The First Steps children delighted parents this week at their farm themed Sports Morning. They showed off their balancing, kicking, climbing and throwing skills and had a really great time. The children loved all the activities and even some of the parents came and joined in with the fun. The beautifully sunny day was just perfect as the event was rounded off with a picnic and a Percy Pig cake. A big THANK



YOU goes to Mrs James and her amazing team for arranging such a wonderful event for our youngest children.

**Tessa Roberts**

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