

# DOWNSEND PRE-PREP TIMES



## Ashtead



**'OUTSTANDING'**

**SIS Inspection 2014-2015**

Downsend Pre-Prep Ashtead

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### Message from the Head Teacher

Phew! What a great start to this half of term. Our 'Get Active' week has kept us on the move and the children have embraced all the activities with gusto and an amazing supply of stamina. I also considered entering all of the parents into a special category for the Golden Boot Award. This week you have all gone above and beyond to support your child's journeys to and from school. It has really helped the children

reflect on ways we can all support our environment and become a little 'greener' in our thinking which is brilliant. Thank you!

There are lots of lovely events happening this term so please keep your eye on the calendar and the website for news and information.

Enjoy the weekend.

**Tessa Roberts**

### Congratulations

There has been a little inter-class rivalry going this week and the class that came out as the greenest was Reception MP. The children were presented with their Golden Boot this morning and are now proudly wearing their Golden Boot badges. Working together, we made a great commitment to going green this week. Well done everyone!

### Stripey Storkathon

The children arrived at school for Charity Day on Tuesday morning full of excitement and ready to take on the challenge of the Stripey Storkathon obstacle course. The 'go faster' stripey socks were soon put to the test as Rising Reception and First Steps attempted their course in our outdoor area. Determined faces full of concentration tackled the obstacles, with a cry to 'Do it again!' at the end. Reception and Year One were raring to go in the afternoon. An ENORMOUS obstacle course was put into place at the park, so limbering up before their attempt was key. Year One set off at a fast pace balancing, tunnelling, jumping and scrambling their way to the finish line. However, like our younger children earlier they wanted to do it again and again and again and ..... Charity Day was a great success and your donations raised a brilliant £309 for our charity 'Stripey Stork'.

**THANK YOU**



A chart of the final results can be seen in the porch.

### Don't Forget

**Tues 19 June** - Reception & Year One Forest School trip to Ashtead Common

**Wed 20 June** - 'Moving up Day' Children visit new classrooms 9.15-10.15

**Wed 20 June** - Sept 2018 Parents' Information Evening at Pre-Prep Ashtead

**Fri 21 June** - New Year 2 Pupil Afternoon at Downsend School 14.00



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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**  
 Sam Warburton  
 Fraser Ross

**Rising Reception AP**  
 Mary Malcomson

**Rising Reception SR**  
 Max Charalambous

**Reception CH**  
 Kamran Haque

**Reception MP**  
 Isabella Ventris

**Year One**  
 Toby Harriman  
 George Murray

**Well Done!**

## Skip-Hop

Wow! What a brilliant morning we had today with Lee Collinson-James, learning to skip. Everyone really worked hard to learn the new skill. We were so impressed by the way the children persisted at the task and tackled it with real determination. The demonstration at the end just showed how far the children had come in one morning. Watch out! I think this weekend your children will have you all outside for a family skipping session. Good luck!



### Events Week Commencing Monday 11 June Lunch Menu Week 2

<b>Mon</b>	09.15-11.30	Year One Seaside Workshop with Chertsey Museum in School
	15.30-16.30	Art around the World
<b>Tues</b>	15.30-16.30	STEAM Club
<b>Wed</b>	15.30-16.30	Multi-Sports Club
<b>Thurs</b>	15.30-16.30	Rising Reception visit Birdworld Musical Theatre Club
	14.30-15.30	Afternoon Tea for Grandparents with children in Reception
<b>Fri</b>	19.00-00.00	September 2018 Class Lists issued Downsend Parents' Association Summer Ball at Painshill Park

### Golden Stars

Our value stars are highly sought after and the children were keen to find out during Wednesday's Assembly what all the teachers would be looking out for this half of term. When they arrived in the hall they were shocked to see a huge mess all over the floor. How did it happen? Who could have done it? Nobody knew! The children quickly decided that they should help tidy it all away. Aply led by our 'Tidy Up' friends, Alexa and Grace, we were all ship-shape in no time at all. I think the teachers are going to find it tricky to decide who to give their 'Helpful Star' to each week as I can see that we have many people here who are happy to help resolve problems.

**Inspiring young minds**