

DOWNSEND PRE-PREP TIMES



Ashtead



'OUTSTANDING'

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Downsend Pre-Prep Ashtead

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Message from the Head Teacher

This week has been a cosmic success with the children thoroughly enjoying World Space Week. Mrs Catlow and the team have been on top form while I've been away and I can see that the children have loved it!

As you know, I have spent the week collaborating and sharing current educational thinking and research at the Cognita Global Headteachers' Conference. The themes for the week have had us reflecting about the future and its implications for Education, along with one of the world's greatest concerns for

children at the moment - mental health and wellbeing. We have been very privileged to hear key note speakers on these subjects who are helping the Cognita headteachers to develop a worldwide approach to tackling these big issues. I will share more of our understanding and discussions with you over the coming months.

Next week however, I am really looking forward to getting back into school to enjoy our special Harvest Week.

Have a great weekend.

Tessa Roberts



Alien Attack!

The children had an "out of this world" experience this week in our Genie Lab after school club. After much mixing and stirring the hall was overrun with alien slime! Where is Dr Who when you need her?



Space Week

This week the children have had lots of opportunities to celebrate Space Week. The playground has been turned into a NASA control station where the rockets have been designed, built and launched into far off galaxies. There was also an invasion of brightly coloured bouncy aliens which could be seen hopping about happily with their new human friends.



Don't Forget

Harvest Breakfasts next week. Donations for the Foodbank will be very welcome. Please visit your child's classroom to see their Christmas card design and to collect details of how to place an order.

Downsend Pre-Prep+
Holiday Scheme is available
during Half Term:

Monday 22 October -

Friday 2 November



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Forest School



The children had great fun exploring Ashtead Common as part of their Forest School experience. The main focus was on identifying the many colours and signs of Autumn. The children created an 'Autumnal Walking Wand' decorated with all they could find. The wands looked amazing with their gold, brown, red and orange leaves. We were even lucky enough to play Poo Sticks and have a little splash in a shallow stream! What an adventure! Thank you for a lovely day Jay!

Christeen Hill



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

Freya Vinsen Tell

Rising Reception

Matheus Macieira Cabral

Reception CH

Chessie Ling

Reception MC

Aytron Friend

Year One

Harriet Edney

William Lovell

Events Week Commencing Monday 15 October

Lunch Menu Week 1

Mon	9.00—9.30	First Steps Harvest Breakfast and Autumn Walk
	13.00	Parent/Teacher Interview Appointments available online.
	15.30-16.30	Let's Dough!
Tues	8.45—9.30	Rising Reception Harvest Breakfast
	9.45 - 11.15	Tots in Tune
	15.30-16.30	Multi Sports Club
Wed	8.45—9.30	Reception Harvest Breakfast
		Rising Reception Autumn Walk
	15.30-16.30	Genie Lab
Thurs	8.45- 9.00	Year One Harvest Breakfast
	15.30-16.30	Create and Make Club
Fri	14.00	Year One visit The Red House
	15.30-16.30	Tec Kids

DAPA Race Night

DAPA would like to remind all parents that they will be holding a Race Night on Friday 16 November 7.30 –11.30pm at Ashtead Cricket Club. In addition to the excitement of the races, there will be a raffle and a fish and chip supper. The bar will be open all evening. Tickets can be booked online at www.dapaevents.co.uk. Book early to avoid disappointment!



DAPA

Golden Star Awards

Good Listening Stars were awarded to:

Tate Bishop, Emma Sweeney, Sasha Wallis, William Zhou, Imogen Faure Walker

Well Done!

Inspiring young minds