



# Ashley Down After School Club newsletter

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*Dates for your diary*

**Term Two**  
02/11/09 to 18/12/09

**In-Service day**  
04/01/10

**Term Three**  
05/01/10 to 12/02/10

**Cake Sale**  
29/01/10

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## Club News

**Welcome** To all new children, parents and new staff, including reception children. We hope you will all have fun at the After School Club! Apologies that we were unable to get a newsletter out last term, there was a lot to do with all the new starters.

You may have heard that Raquel is our new Play Facilitator. And we wish her all the very best in her new role – she has great plans for the Club so please give her your full support.

The core play team now consists of Raquel, Nigel, Paula, Simon, Daniel, Elizabeth and Emma. The team has plans to display their photos so you know who they are.

The **summer play scheme** was a great success. A bit of rain didn't dampen spirits during the trip to Hengrove Park. Another big hit was the end of scheme barbecue. The party games and surprises went down a treat. Not to mention the make your own volcano, water fights

and the graffiti project.

We'll be sending out the **welcome packs** this term. We've revamped the pack, which contains information about the Club policies and procedures. It's been a busy term and some of the Committee members' children started reception this year so it's taken us longer than expected to get this to you.

Remember: you can get involved, a small amount of help is better than none at all!

## Holiday Play Schemes

As we write the final preparations for the October Half Term Playscheme are well under way; there is a trip planned to the farm plus lots of Halloween games, crafts, cooking and dressing up! If the success of the summer playscheme is anything to go by it'll be lots of fun! Remember we welcome all new children, including those from other schools.

We thought you'd want to have plenty of warning about the Christmas Holiday Scheme which is going to be fantastic! We're taking bookings now.

### Holiday Club dates

<b>Christmas</b>	<b>Watch out for future playscheme dates in the next newsletter</b>
<b>Monday 21 December</b>	
<b>Tuesday 22 December</b>	
<b>Wednesday 23 December</b>	

Booking forms can be downloaded from [www.ashleydownafterschoolclub.org.uk](http://www.ashleydownafterschoolclub.org.uk)  
>>>>Sign up now <<<<

**29 January**

Can you help out with  
the **cake sale or any  
other projects?**

Please contact Clair or  
Alison via the club.

## Fund raising

Our next fundraiser will be the **Cake Sale on 29 January**. We'll send reminders nearer the time but if you can help make cakes or help sell cakes on the day that would be great. It will take place in the school playground at the end of school.

Clair Syrett and Alison Watson are looking for ideas for more fundraising events. As we're all working parents we're looking for events that involve very little expense and effort but result in lots of **funding**. Any and all ideas welcome please contact Clair and Alison via the Club.

We're looking to produce a small booklet to sell at the Christmas Fair and raise the Club's profile. We'd like it to include favourite Club recipes and activities. If you can help with ideas, compiling the content, setting it up on the computer or printing we would absolutely love you to come forward. Go on – you know want to see it happen and help us achieve our deadline of 05 December.



## Kids zone

### >>>Cool Competition<<<

Calling all budding artists and chefs, we want your recipes and activities.

What is your **favourite food** to make at home or at the Club? What do you like to **make and do**?

We want to make a book full of your exciting and inventive ideas and show off how creative we are at the Ashley Down After School Club. Write them out or draw a picture of them (grown ups are allowed to help!).

Let Raquel have  
all your ideas.  
The **star entry**  
will win a small  
★ prize.★



We want to feature as many of your ideas as possible in the book.  
It would be good to sell the book at the Christmas Fair!

