

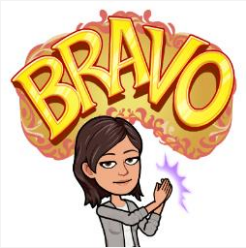
Amazing Acts and Fabulous Humans!

This week I am so proud celebrating one of our own Ashley students .

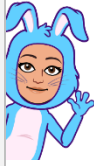
Alexa Lane in ALV planned to complete a 24 hour sponsored silence to raise money for Cancer Research.

Completing challenges like this make a huge difference to charities as they are really struggling due to the normal fundraising activities being cancelled.

Well done Alexa, you really are an Ashley Star!



Thought for the Week



hey.

Hello from Ashley House

How was your Bank Holiday?

I hope you all had fun celebrating the 75th anniversary of VE Day. We had great fun making our own bunting and scones, well I say scones but they turned out a bit flat so we have renamed them biscuit scones. I think the idea could really catch on!

It was truly inspiring to watch all the documentaries and news reports about our Grandparents- or your Great Grandparents and the sacrifices they made so future generations could live in relative peace.

I wonder what the next generations will say about us and how we managed through the Coronavirus pandemic. Our world has not seen anything like this since WW2.

We also have our first form tutor article. Mrs Oosthuizen has shared the amazing photography of Elon Musk's Starlink, created by her son. I've included this fabulous work at the end of the newsletter.

Keeping in Touch

Thank you so much for engaging with our Instagram page. It is such a nice way to keep in touch, seeing all the likes assures me that you are all still out there!

Your form tutors should all now have made contact through email or SIMS, please make sure you have sent them a message, just a quick 'Hi, I'm fine' is perfect. But please remember if you are struggling we are only at the end of an email or phone, please share your worries.

Thank you also for your kind donations on our JustGiving page. We met last weeks target of £50 and as promised I have now completed the challenge. I will be posting it on Instagram later today and I'll also put it on the school website for those of you who don't have Instagram.

This week has another target of £50 to achieve and I will nominate someone to complete a challenge.



This is my Grandpa, Ted Middlemiss aka Pop as an RAF soldier in Burma during WW2.



Little Dude when he was only a few hours old He was so tiny and poorly.

News from the Farm

The cow situation is just ridiculous now, their udders are so full of milk, they can't lie down properly and everything looks ready to go. Every morning, my girls go out to check and it's always the same answer, 'no, not yet'. I'll still keep you updated, it has to happen soon!

One of our cheeky hens has also decided that they don't like laying their eggs in the nest box like all the others. Every morning, she runs half way down our lane to find a nesting spot somewhere in the hedgerow- every morning is egg hunt time!

It is a sad week for us, our little Dude lamb has grown up. He is fully weaned now, that means that he no longer needs his bottle of milk in the morning. He is now a proper sheep and part of the flock. I'm going to miss him, it only seems like yesterday when he was sitting by our Aga, too weak to stand. Although I am so glad he has become a strong healthy lamb

Elon Musk's Starlink:

Have you been gazing out of your window at night, or taking an evening stroll? You may have spotted some streaks of bright light lighting up the sky lately. We have and it was amazing. During May the UK has been treated to a view of SpaceX's Starlink satellites passing overhead each evening.

Starlink is a satellite constellation that is being constructed by American company SpaceX, founded by Elon Musk. Elon Reeve Musk is an industrial designer, technology entrepreneur, and philanthropist. He is a citizen of South Africa and he was born just about 1 hour from where my family and Mr Mitchell use to live in South Africa.

They are so visible to the naked eye due to having wide flat panels which reflect light, as well as having a low orbit around Earth. The satellites appear as bright dots moving across the night sky in a perfect line as they orbit the Earth.

So far, the firm has deployed more than 300 satellites into space and is working towards a network of 12,000, with the aim of improving global internet coverage.

If you want to try and spot one of these satellites you can visit this site, <https://findstarlink.com>

Pictures attached, taken by my son.

Starlink 1



Starlink 2

