



Next Two Weeks	
15th October	Y7-Y11 Flu Vaccinations- Please consent here
16th October	Y7 and Y12 Settling in Evening (OL)
17th October	Wear a Red Accessory Day for Show Racism the Red Card - Please note this is NOT a non-uniform day. We are asking students to wear a red accessory in support. We are not asking for a donation. <u>More information here..</u>
20-24 October	Half Term
28th October	Arts Celebration Showcase - 5-5.50pm or 6-6.50pm. <u>Tickets available here.</u>

Pastoral & Safeguarding Updates

Attendance - For Yr 7-Y11 absences please email yearteamabsences@ashbyschool.org.uk or ring and leave a message on extension 202 **as early as possible**. For Sixth Form absences please email sixthform@ashbyschool.org.uk or call extension 265.

Homework - Students should be logging their homework in their student planners. In addition, details of the homework are also shared on Arbor under assignments. Students now have the ability to 'submit' their homework once completed via their App which will then update the Arbor submission details. This can be done whether there is a piece of work to upload or just to acknowledge completion before handing the work to the teacher. Students have been shown how to do this through CREW in the last week, please encourage your child to use this function in their Arbor App.

Extra - Curricular Updates

Lunchtime Extra-Curricular Activities - Our lunchtime timetable has been updated recently with additional activities and revision sessions. To see the updated timetable please **visit our website here.**

Our After School Activities can be found on **here.**

Other Key Dates	
1st November	6th Form Open Day 12.30-3pm
4th November	Year 10/11 Modern Languages Christmas Market Trip Parents Meeting 6-7pm
6th November	6th Form Open Evening 5-7pm
10th - 14th November	Anti-Bullying Week 10th November Odd Socks Day
11th November	Remembrance Day
13th November	School Early Finish 2pm
14th November	Children in Need (Non Uniform Day)
15th November	6th Form Open Day 10am - 12.30pm
20th November	Year 11 Parents Evening (Face to face)
28th November	Disaggregated Day

In Our Classrooms

Empowered to Succeed - All Year 11 parents should have received our first Empowered to Succeed Newsletter this week. This will be sent regularly in addition to the Life at Ashby newsletter to provide upcoming revision, exam preparation and guidance information. All of the resources from the Empowered to Succeed launch evening that took place last month are also now available on our website **here.**

Year 11 trial exams start after the half term break. Students will have been given individual copies of exam timetables by their CREW leaders with details of their rooms and seats. More Information is **available here.**

Other Updates

Remembrance Day - Arrangements for Ashby De La Zouch Remembrance Sunday on 9th November and Armistice Day on Tuesday 11th November 2025 can be **found here.**

Rotary Young Musician Competition - Tuesday 25th November - (Up to the age of 17) . Read more here.

What's been happening...

Year 8 Netball - On Wednesday 25th Sept the Year 8 netball team took part in a Central Venue League against other secondary schools in the local area. The team captained by Katie and Evanna showed great responsibility, resilience and respect in their games. Although losing their first match closely by only two goals the team came back to win their second match to come out second overall in the Central Venue League. I am very proud how they played, showed respect to the other teams and came back from a loss with a win in their second match. Thank you too, to Libby from Year 13 who umpired every match. - Mrs Calvert



On the 25th September, some of our year 13 Engineering students went to Acres Engineering in Melbourne, for National Manufacturing Day. They had a tour of the facilities and then got to have a go building and flying drones, building equipment with the army and trying virtual welding.



Our Students pictured here are Ashby School tag rugby leaders who took part in a primary school event which was led by the school sports partnership. The students took part in refereeing games participated by primary school children. All Ashby students were highly praised for their fantastic work ethic and enthusiasm for a sport they thoroughly enjoy. Well done to them all.

Congratulations to Abi who won County FA Young Volunteer of the Year. This photo of Abi was taken on the evening of the awards ceremony which took place at the Athena in Leicester, on the 4th September. The awards evening was attended by around 350 people. Since gaining a place on the UEFA C Diploma course, Abi has completed the course and passed this Summer.



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🏆 Young Volunteer of the Year – Abi Booth 🏆

Abi started volunteering with **Ashby Ivanhoe Girls and Ladies FC** at just 14 years old, initially helping at Wildcats sessions. Her passion for coaching quickly grew, and she has since become an assistant coach with the girls U11s, designing and delivering sessions each week.

Abi's journey has been remarkable: from refereeing and inspiring young players, to completing over 15 coaching and safeguarding courses, to gaining a place on the prestigious UEFA C Licence at St George's Park.

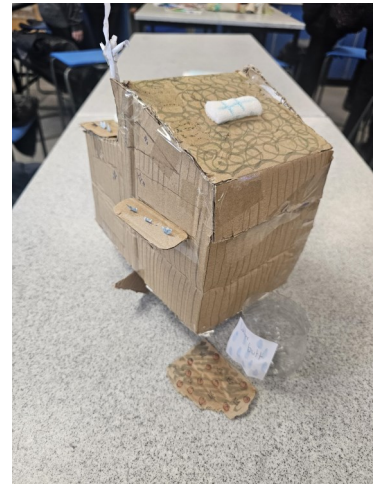
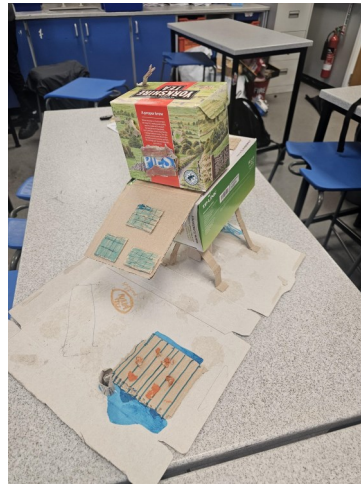
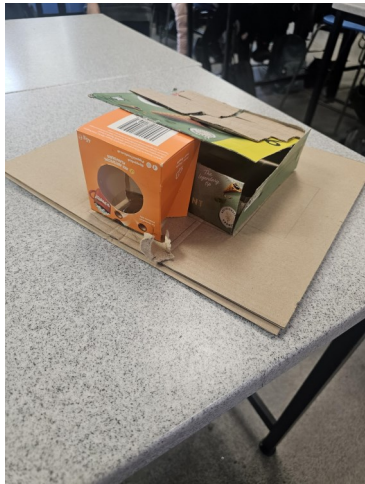
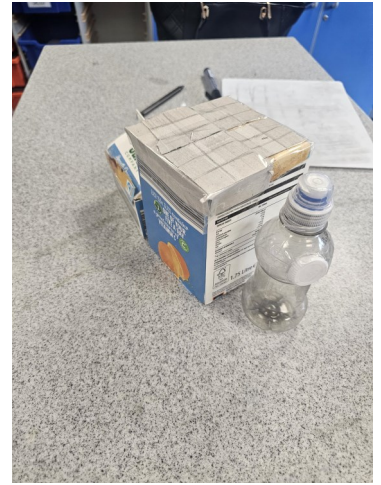
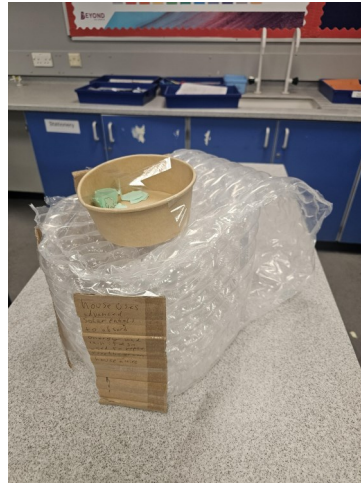
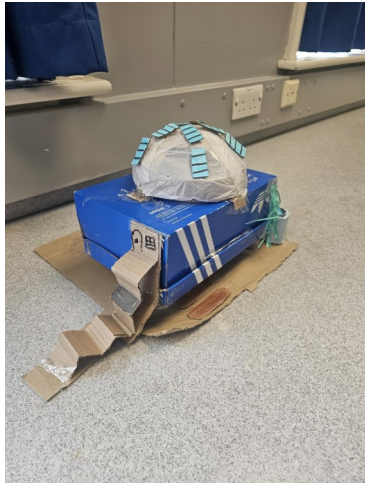
Despite injuries ending her playing career, Abi has shown that there is always another way to stay in the game. Her commitment, enthusiasm, and willingness to keep learning has made a lasting impact on her club and the young players she supports.

🏆 Congratulations Abi, and thank you for inspiring the next generation of volunteers and coaches!

Ashby Ivanhoe FC

What's been happening...

'Eco-Homes' that our Y9 students have made this half-term. - The aim of the project was to not only think about eco-friendly practices (recycling, walking to school etc.) but to focus on more sustainable ways to build homes and live with the landscape. The students worked in groups to research, design, make and then present back their vision for an eco-home of the future that captured the ideas we had discussed in the lessons earlier in the unit.



Wednesday 1st October - Oxford University Visit - We were delighted to welcome ambassadors from the **University of Oxford** for their annual visit this term. The team delivered a range of engaging sessions aimed at informing and inspiring our Key Stage 4 and 5 students about higher education and future pathways.

Selected **Year 10** students explored opportunities in higher education, while **Year 11** received valuable guidance on **A level choices** and setting aspirations for the future. Our **Year 12** cohort benefited from advice on **post-18 pathways** and took part in a **critical thinking skills webinar**, while **Year 13** Oxbridge applicants were supported through **one-to-one application guidance**.

Both staff and students shared **excellent feedback**, describing the sessions as motivating and informative. We are excited to build on this partnership and are already planning a **visit to the University of Oxford in December**.



We were delighted to welcome back a former student who is now studying Mathematics at the University of Cambridge. She spoke to our Year 12 and 13 students about the Oxbridge application process, sharing her own experiences and offering valuable advice on choosing a college, writing a strong personal statement, and preparing for admissions tests and interviews. Her insight and guidance gave our students a real sense of what applying to and studying at Cambridge is like, and we are grateful for the inspiration she provided to those considering a similar path.