

Dear Parents and Carers,

May I start by saying a huge thank you and farewell to our Year 6 children who left us on Thursday 16th July for the last time after their afternoon leavers assembly and then silent socially distanced disco at Priory Park. We wish them well, but also know that they leave us well prepared for the next stage of their exciting learning journey. Can I add my personal thanks to the parents who helped to arrange the end of term celebrations and we are as ever grateful for your support.

Thank you also to the children and families who came to join us on Friday 17th July as part of our Meet the Teacher sessions when almost 300 children came to join their new class teachers in preparation for our September return. I am attaching a letter from the leader of the council which makes it clear that school is both safe and fun for all of our children but as of September 3rd when we will welcome all children back to school then we legally expect all children to be here.

Can we remind all families that if there is any change in your contact details your phone number, email or home addresses it is essential that you let the office know at once so we can update our details accordingly.

We would also like to update you on our Anti-Racism and History Work in school and our ongoing commitment to this moving forward we want to commit to actions, and to hold ourselves to account if we fail to make the progress that we promise. We will share our action plan with our school community in our return to school newsletter that will be published in the last week of August. We would also like to thank the parents who have fed in ideas and resources around this invaluable piece of work and any further thoughts at this stage can be sent to me directly.

We are with this newsletter attaching Islington's Summer Learning Resources and other activities please see the attached leaflet and <https://www.islingtoncs.org/home-learning> as well as the Time Capsule attachment. Also remember the Oak Academy is still available online and for any reading activities see the sheet attached but also be aware that the school based home learning offer of Bug Club and MyMaths are available online. Our incredible Google Classroom offer will close for the summer as staff take a well earned break and hence this will not be monitored.

We will, apart from Nursery and Reception children who will receive details of their individual staggered start dates separately, all return to school on Thursday 3rd September at 9 a.m. I will issue a separate newsletter in the last week of August which will explain how school will look and what measures we have put in place to ensure all of the community is safe. We will be following a recovery curriculum as the children return which will focus on ensuring the children are safe, secure and begin to put their learning back on track. We will across the school be introducing a new phonics and reading initiative called Read, Write, Inc. that will further strengthen the children's learning—Louise and Becca will be leading on this.

May I finally thank you for your support during this challenging time and wish you all a restful break.

Best wishes and stay safe, Anthony Carmel (Headteacher)

School Games commitment Award

Well done to all the children and thanks to Shammai and Salman and all the staff involved with our engagement in sporting events. As the school has gained its latest accolade the Schools Games commitment award!



Do you make music?

Join Islington's IG Lockdown Session

Are you 18 and under, from Islington and want to get your music heard? Music Education Islington is teaming up with Small Green Shoots and Islington Youth Council to put on an Instagram Live event to feature your music.

Upload your music before 12 July, and your track could be chosen to be played in our IG Live event hosted by Jermain Jackman!

https://www.gsmd.ac.uk/youth_adult_learning/music_education_islington/news_events/do_you_make_music_ig_live_lockdown_session/

Summer Reading Challenge 2020

Do you love to laugh and read funny stories? Join the Silly Squad for this year's Summer Reading Challenge.

Sign up using the link below and enter a world of laughter, happiness, games and challenges.

How many books will you read this summer?

<https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/>



Black History Month

Dear Parents/Carers, we are currently thinking about Black History Month for October 2020. Please take a moment to answer three questions on our survey to help us with this process.

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/F65NH3R>

Secret Science Club

The Secret School for Curious Children is inspired by Marie Curie and her friends, who set up a floating school for their own children, to explore the sciences and arts in a hands-on way. Aimed at children 7 to 11, each Friday you'll get an email with a little bit of awesome science, and ideas for two fun, hands-on arty science / sciencey art activities to help you explore the weird and wonderful world around you.



<https://isabelthomas.co.uk/project/secret-school-for-curious-children/>

Islington Council are recruiting for the VRU Parent Support Pilot

If you are interested you can find details here:

http://izzijobs.islington.gov.uk/job/UK/London/London/Islington_Council/Family_Support/Family_Support-v2461159?_ts=1

http://izzijobs.islington.gov.uk/job/UK/London/Islington/Islington_Council/Family_Support/Family_Support-v2460994?_ts=7257

http://izzijobs.islington.gov.uk/job/UK/London/Islington/Islington_Council/Family_Support/Family_Support-v2461122?_ts=21339

To all Parents, Grandparents and Carers,

We believe parents are their children's first and most important educators. We are committed to developing a strong relationship between parents and school. We also encourage children to develop 'growth mind-sets', so children believe that ability and success are not pre-determined, but due to learning. We are therefore delighted to give a growth and learning opportunity to you as parents and carers as well!

Islington Council have invested in 4 award-winning, quality-marked, evidence-based online courses by the Solihull Approach (a national NHS organisation).

These courses are available FREE of charge for ALL parents-to-be, parents, grandparents or carers of any child from antenatal up to age 18 years who want to be the best they can be. You don't need to be struggling. The courses are relevant to parents of all children, including those with special needs, autism, ADHD etc.:

Understanding your baby

Understanding your pregnancy, labour, birth and your baby

Understanding your child (0-19 years, main course)

Understanding your teenager's behaviour (short course)

Please take advantage of this fantastic resource while you can.

How to access the courses:

Visit the 'Our Place' website here : www.inourplace.co.uk

Click on 'Start now: Buy courses or apply code'

Enter access code: Bright start

Enter your information and postcode

Start your course!

You will be asked a few questions to confirm that you are eligible to use these codes. Your responses will not be linked to your name. You will also be asked to create an account so that you can revisit the course anytime, on any device and resume where you left off.

You will not receive any marketing emails. Your details will not be passed on to any third party, not even the council or the school.

We welcome your feedback.

For further information about the course visit www.inourplace.co.uk

For technical support email solihull.approach@heartofengland.nhs.uk or ring 0121 296 4448 Mon-Fri 9am-5pm

Ashmout Primary School

Community - Responsibility - Growth



Ashmout Nursery Breakfast Club 2020-2021



Where: Nursery/Reception Classroom

When: Monday-Friday

Time: 8.30am - 9.00am



£2.00 per session

This includes:

- **Breakfast**
- **Supervised Activities**

Bring your child to breakfast club and they will start the day with a healthy breakfast, ready to make the most of their learning!

Year 6 Leavers Assembly 17th July 2020



It's always hard to say goodbye to our Year 6 leavers but this year more than any other they deserved a whole year group send off that praised them for their endeavours during their time here at Ashmount. Thank you to all the staff and parents who helped in ensuring this was a success both at school and later at the socially distanced silent disco at Priory Park.

Congratulations to and who are this week's current league table top ten leaders. Here are the top 10 children on the leaderboard for Times Table Rockstars:

1. Samir
2. Milla
3. Sonny
4. Justin
5. Laurie
6. Amanda
7. Piper
8. Freddie
9. Finlay
10. Cy



Don't forget to watch Friday's Achievement Assembly in the Google Classrooms to see who else is being celebrated. This now goes live on a Friday afternoon whether or not you are in school!



Are you worried about your child?

Worried about how to answer their questions?

Unsure how best to support them emotionally during the
lockdown?

Fiona is happy to discuss any questions and offer
advice.



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