

Friday 9th October 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

Two safety reminders to all families this week. Firstly, as the national rate for Covid-19 rates continues to rise we ask all parents to wear a face covering when coming to drop off children in the morning or collect in the afternoon. Secondly, a reminder to all families, that apart from a limited number of families who have car access to the school park site due to personal mobility issues or for their children who have special needs no one else is allowed to enter the school site in a vehicle. It was hugely disappointing to have to challenge families about this on Friday—leave your car off site or walk to school.

A reminder to all Year 6 families please make your selections for Secondary Transfer and submit these to the local authority. Any families who need help with this process please let Katie or Shajia know in the office and we will of course help in any way that we can.

Finally, as many of you are no doubt aware we would in normal circumstances have our annual Halloween school disco arranged by Ashmount Together. This will not be possible this year due to the Covid-19 pandemic. However, we have decided to have the last Friday of term children can come dressed up to school for Halloween but we would ask all families to make a £1 donation on this day which will be donated to a charity choice that the school children determine.

Best wishes and stay safe, Anthony Carmel (Headteacher)

## Times Tables Rock Stars

Congratulations to this week's current league table leaders in each year group! In line with our Growth Mindset philosophy, this charts the biggest improvement in correct scores over the last seven days.



The leaders are...

Y4 = Dylan, Ben A, Kevin

Y5 = Robert, TJ and Malachi

Y6 = Nina, Sonny, Cy

### Help support our local food bank by donating if you can

Without the boxes, packets, and tins of food items regularly donated across the UK, food banks simply wouldn't be able to run. And as food banks face an ever-increasing demand for their services, particularly in light of the Covid-19 pandemic, you can help! At Ashmount, we are hosting Food Bank Friday collections for the Muswell Hill Food Bank, supporting people in our local community.

Please donate these items if you can:

#### Food items

- ✦ Cereal
- ✦ Soup
- ✦ Pasta
- ✦ Rice
- ✦ Tinned tomatoes/ pasta sauce
- ✦ Lentils, beans and pulses
- ✦ Tinned meat
- ✦ Tinned vegetables
- ✦ Tea/coffee
- ✦ Tinned fruit
- ✦ Biscuits
- ✦ UHT milk
- ✦ Fruit juice

#### Non food items

- ✦ Toiletries – deodorant, toilet paper, shower gel, shaving gel, shampoo, soap, toothbrushes, tooth paste, hand wipes
- ✦ Household items – laundry liquid detergent, laundry powder, washing up liquid
- ✦ Feminine products – sanitary towels and tampons
- ✦ Baby supplies – nappies, baby wipes and baby food

### How to donate

You can drop your donations on any day Monday - Friday. Leave them in the donation box outside the school building near the front office or children can bring them into school.

Each Friday, a member of the school community will take the donations to the food bank.

If you can help, please contact your class rep or email Ashmount Together

ashmountschoolpta@gmail.com



We've set up a **FOOD BANK FRIDAY** COLLECTION POINT to collect food for our local food bank this Harvest!

Please donate an item or two from the list if you can.

**SHOPPING LIST TOP TEN ITEMS**

- Milk (UHT or powdered)
- Fruit juice (long life)
- Soup
- Pasta sauces
- Tinned sponge pudding
- Tinned tomatoes
- Tinned vegetables
- Cereals
- Tinned rice pudding
- Jam

**FOOD BANK FRIDAY** [www.trusselltrust.org](http://www.trusselltrust.org)    trusselltrust

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Stop UK Hunger

Your donations will be going to a local food bank - a registered charity or charitable organisation which is part of the Trussell Trust network. Reg. Charity in England & Wales (1110522) and Scotland (SC044246). Reg. Ltd. Co. in England & Wales (5434524).

## MUSWELL HILL FOODBANK

**Nursery:** We will be reading the book 'The Colours of Us' and mixing our own skin tone paint. We will be reading 'Baby goes to market' and tasting different fruits and sweets from the story.

### Reception

English – We will be exploring the story 'The Colours of Us' as part of our Black History Month learning.

Maths – We will be securing our recognition of numerals 1 – 5 and match these to quantities.

### Year 1

English – This week we will continue exploring the story 'Anansi Goes to Lunch' as part of our learning for Black History Month. We will be changing the setting and character to write an innovated version of the story next week.

Maths: We will continue to add within 10 and complete number sentences.

### Year 2

English: We will be planning a newspaper article based on a member of our family.

Maths: We will be learning to subtract using two digit numbers.

### Year 3

English: We will be planning and writing a letter based on what we have learnt about different African countries in our new book for Black History Month, 'Africa Is Not a Country'.

Maths: We will be using different methods to subtract from 3-digit numbers including counting backwards, using number bonds and column subtraction.

### Year 4

English: We will be focusing on the character of Lola in 'Islandborn' as part of our learning for Black History Month. We will be writing diary entries in character'

Maths: We will be learning to add and subtract two 4 digit numbers.

### Year 5

English – We will be focusing on the 'Respect: The Walter Tull Story' as part of our learning for Black History Month.

Maths – We will be focusing on statistics and reading and interpreting information from bar, charts, pictograms, tables and line graphs.

### Year 6

English: We will be listening to more of George the Poet's spoken word poetry and will be writing letters to him as part of our learning for Black History Month.

Maths: We will be learning about methods of short and long division.

### Friday Night Take Away

St Mary (Ashley Road, NI9 3AD) offer a **takeaway on Friday** evenings for anyone in need of a hot meal.

Whether you are struggling to put food on the table, or struggling to cook, or are just in need of some extra support at this time. Takeaway provides both meat and vegan options, and all you have to do is message us to be included. We will ask you for your name, mobile number, family size and any dietary requirements.. Every Wednesday, for as long as you want to receive the messages, you receive a text asking if you want a meal and you simply have to reply "yes 3 meals please" or yes "5 meals". We then know if you want vegan or meat, and you are welcome to ask other questions. To sign up please either email [takeaway@smhr.org.uk](mailto:takeaway@smhr.org.uk) or text [07581340796](tel:07581340796) or call them on [020 7916 2710](tel:02079162710) and leave a message for Tamsin (our Vicar) and the team if we aren't in.

(Any information you give is only stored for the purposes of takeaway, unless you want to hear more from us in which case you simply have to ask.)

Friday Night Takeaway meals are collected between 4 and 6pm. If for some reason you are unable to collect the food that week please let us know as soon as you can, so we can give it away to someone else in need.

Friday Night Takeaway is a initiative lead by St Mary Hornsey Rise, on Ashley Road, in conjunction with a number of volunteers. **If you would like to volunteer** with us you are more than welcome to get in touch, or come down to the church, we are open Monday to Friday 12pm to 3pm (Wednesdays until 8.30pm and Fridays until 6pm).

### School Diary Dates

All of October: Black History Month

Friday 23rd October—Halloween Dress Down Day

Thursday 5th November: Flu Vaccines Reception - Year 6

Monday 16th November - Friday 20th November: Arts Week

### Class Assemblies

(These assemblies will be remote or pre-recorded.)

Tuesday 19th November: 6 Blue

Tuesday 17th November: 1 Green

Tuesday 24th November: 4 Blue

Tuesday 1st December: 2 Green

Dates for the Year 1 Nativity and the Year 4 show will be confirmed soon.

### Ashmount Together Events

Weekly Friday Food Bank collection (see details in this newsletter and in posters around school).

Half term: School finishes on Friday 23rd October at 3:30 p.m. and we re-open on Monday 2nd November at 9 .a.m.

# ASHMOUNT PRIMARY SCHOOL WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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## Weekly Attendance

05.10.20 – 09.10.20

Class	Percentage
Nursery a.m.	99.3
Nursery p.m.	99.1
Reception Blue	94.7
Reception Green	96.2
1 Blue	99.6
1 Green	96.5
2 Blue	98.6
2 Green	95.7
3 Blue	99.2
3 Green	97.4
4 Blue	99.7
4 Green	96.7
5 Blue	99.3
5 Green	98.6
6 Blue	95.7
6 Green	97.9

Our best attending classes for this week were:

Nursery a.m., 1 Blue, 4 Blue and 5 Blue

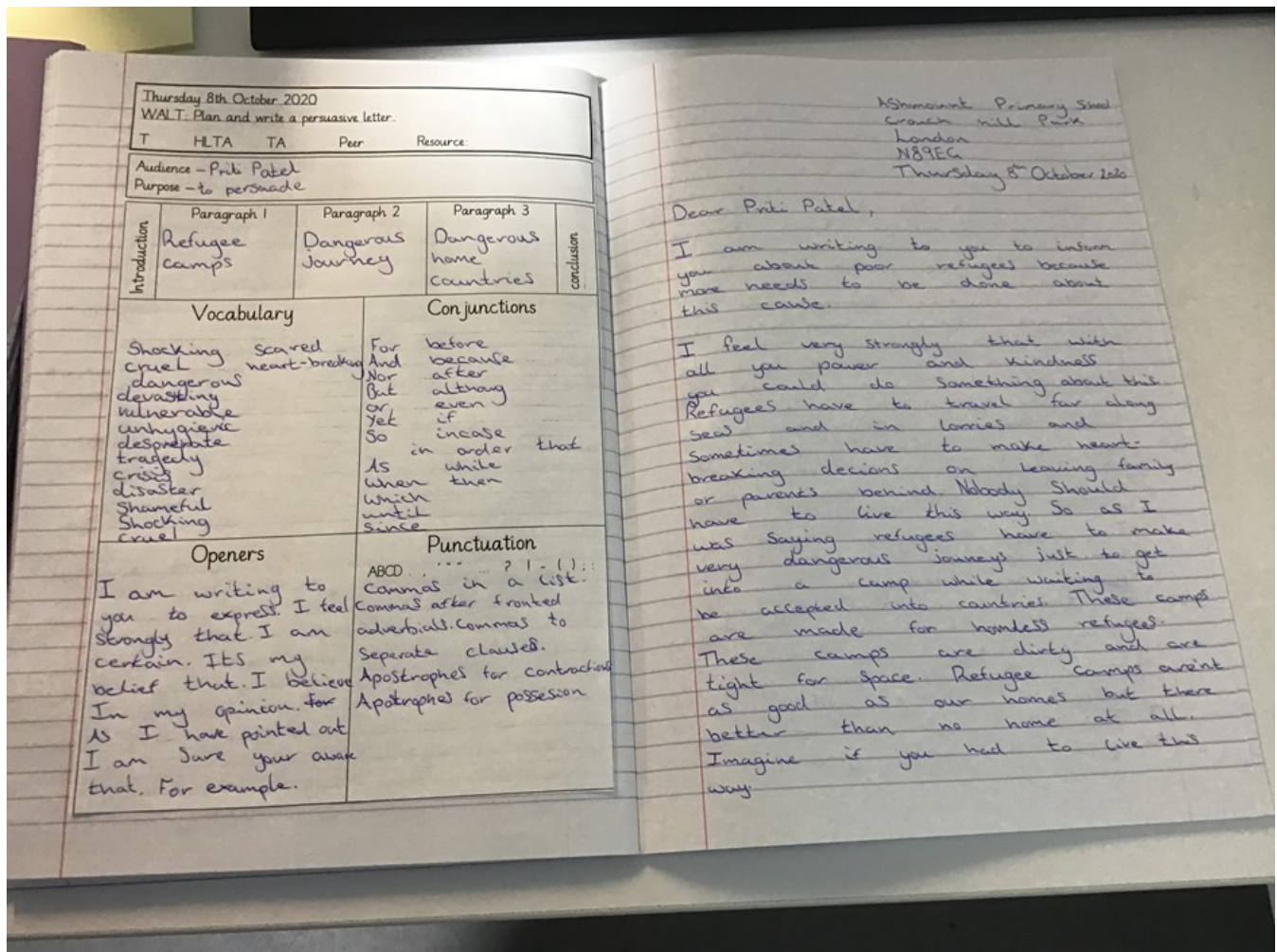
Well done children and adults. Each winning class gets an extra 5 minutes play on Monday. At Ashmount, we are aiming for at least 97% attendance in each class. Attendance for all pupil groups will be a huge focus this Autumn with the mantra being,

**"Every minute matters , Every second counts!"**

If you need support with attendance do contact Lisa, our School Home Support worker, through the office.

### Our Learning in Photos

Year 5 have been working really hard in English this week writing letters to Priti Patel asking her to do more to support refugees. This has been inspired by the book 'The Boy at the Back of the Class'. Tom and Christianne think they are very persuasive and will be sending the letters to Priti Patel. Fingers crossed the children will get a reply!



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## Our Learning in Photos

Thursday 8th October 2020  
Plan and write a persuasive letter.

HLTA	TA	Peer	Resource:
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Audience - Priya Patel  
Purpose - to persuade

Paragraph 1 refugee camps	Paragraph 2 dangerous journeys	Paragraph 3 dangerous home countries	conclusion
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Vocabulary	Conjunctions
<p>dangerous, horrible, dangerous, dangerous, dangerous, scary, sad, sad, sad, sad, sad</p>	<p>AS when which even if increase in order that while then whereas however moreover</p>

Openers	Punctuation
<p>the, that, writing to you to</p>	<p>ABCD . . . , ; : " ?   - ( ) ! ! !</p>

Ashmount Primary School  
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Dear Priya Patel,

I am writing to ask you to allow more refugees into this safe country so they can continue their happy life.

First of all, refugees wait in dirty, damp and cold tents in camp waiting to get accepted into a safe country. There is not enough food and water for them. How would you feel if you were a refugee there? It's just not fair. Secondly, lots of refugees die before even getting a safe home. Also, you should know that children need their proper education because we all know that children are the future of the world.

Next, refugees have to make dangerous journeys that nobody would want to do! They either have to go on a dangerous boat journey, walk and if extremely desperate, they smuggle themselves into boats. They don't have a choice to make these dangerous travels but many lives were lost during these travels. Lots of refugees would wait years and years to be safe once more. The UK estimated that 25 people a minute has to leave their home to a safer place.

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Dear Priya Patel,

I am writing to you to say that we need to help refugees. They live in poor conditions, willing to be accepted into a safe country so they can live a proper happy life. I will explain why you should help these people. Firstly, when they arrive in the UK, they are very scared and they have to wait for a long time. Secondly, some refugees are kids, they should not have to go through this. You should know that we are the future because you are smart and caring so please do the right thing.

The next thing is they need to travel back on boats. They have to travel in a very small boat and they are very scared. There are sharks in the water. It's really risky because there are no toilets and you have to drink salt water and eat salty fish and seaweed. Now let's talk about the future. The refugees are the future of our country. They are refugees and they need to go to school and get an education so they can be the future of our country. I hope you will help them.