# Friday 20th May 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

A huge thank you to all families who joined us for our Bring an Adult to School Day. We had over I4O adults join us and the positive impact on children, staff and on yourselves was keenly felt across the school. If you have any feedback on the day please let Ellie and Becca know via info@ashmount.islington.sch.uk Our next BAATS event will be on Friday 8th July so please keep that date free in your calendar. There are photos from the day later in the newsletter. Additionally, further thanks to Ashmount Together for organising the Papas and Mamas gig last night at school. It was a fabulous evening but also a great fundraiser for the school!

A reminder to all of our school community that there are only a limited number of families, of children with disabilities, or parents with disa-bilities who are allowed to drive on to the site. We are meeting with all site stakeholders in early June to press for a fining system on site for those who breach this agreement. It is sad that we have to take such a step but I would politely request that we all stick to these arrangements to keep everyone safe. Walk, run, scoot or cycle to school but leave the car at home.

This week, children at Ashmount enjoyed an assembly sharing the importance of Personal, Social Health, Citizenship and Economic Education (PSHCE). Understanding how to interact with others, build friendships and become responsible citizens through the School Council are just some of the areas children learn about in this subject. Over the summer term, Year 4 and Year 6 will also be learning more about growing and changing, in an age appropriate way. These year groups will receive specific communications, but we are always keen to engage with par-ents and carers across the school in our teaching of relationships and sex education (RSE). Please find an update on our PSHCE curriculum attached. Over the coming weeks, we will also be inviting parents and carers to participate in a survey and attend a Community Values Dia-logue Workshop that we will be co-hosting with the charity, The Big Think, to discuss and share views.

Ashmount Together meeting — everyone is welcome. Tuesday 24th May before school (this has changed from after school) on the grass steps in just inside the main entrance to the school. There will also be an online meeting at 8pm for those unable to join in the morning. The link for this will be sent out by text but if you do not receive it, please contact the office on Monday.

Lego Club — if you are planning to pick up your child rather than let them go to a club they are booked in for it is really important that you call the office to let us know before or on that day. Please call before 2pm so we can get a message to the teacher in good time. Also, a re-minder that the club finishes at 4.15pm. Please be on time to collect your child.

Our next Parent workshop will be on Friday 17th June. It will be focused on Supporting Reception children with transition to Year 1. The slides for this week's workshop (Supporting Children with the Transition to Secondary School) will be sent out to Year 5 and 6 families early next week. Thank you to all those who attended.

It's that time of year when Ashmount Together start gathering prizes for the Summer Fair raffle. If you are able to donate a prizes or point us towards a business that might be interested in making a donation we would be extremely grateful. New items or experiences for adult and children especially welcomed. Please contact your class rep or email ashmountschoolpta@gmail.com

A reminder on school uniform— please don't send children in wearing hoodies but also try to check through our lost property on the patio area outside the main hall. Also, as the weather gets warmer children can wear closed toe sandals.

Finally with half term on the horizon we are attaching a Science of Surgery event flyer on Tuesday 31st May 2022, 1:00 pm—4:00 pm. It's free so why not pop along!

Best wishes and stay safe, Anthony

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## Guidance for people with symptoms of a respiratory infection, such as COVID-19

#### **Adults**

If you have symptoms of a respiratory infection, such as COVID-19, and you have a high temperature or do not feel well enough to go to work or carry out normal activities, try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people, until you no longer have a high temperature (if you had one) or until you no longer feel unwell.

It is particularly important to avoid close contact with anyone who you know is at higher risk of becoming seriously unwell if they are infected with COVID-19 and other respiratory infections, especially those whose immune system means that they are at higher risk of serious illness, despite vaccination.

#### Children and young people

Children and young people with mild symptoms such as a runny nose, sore throat, or slight cough, who are otherwise well, can continue to attend their education setting.

Children and young people who are unwell and have a high temperature should stay at home and avoid contact with other people. They can go back to school, college or childcare, and resume normal activities when they no longer have a high temperature and they are well enough to attend.

#### Guidance for people who have a positive COVID-19 test result

#### **Adults**

Adults who have a positive COVID-19 test result, try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 5 days after the day you took your test. At the end of this period, if you have a high temperature or feel unwell, try to follow this advice until you feel well enough to resume normal activities and you no longer have a high temperature if you had one.

Although many people will no longer be infectious to others after 5 days, some people may be infectious to other people for up to 10 days from the start of their infection. You should avoid meeting people at higher risk of becoming seriously unwell from COVID-19, especially those whose immune system means that they are at higher risk of serious illness from COVID-19, despite vaccination, for 10 days after the day you took your test.

#### Children and young people

If a child or young person has a positive COVID-19 test result they should not attend nursery or school and avoid contact with other people for 3 days after the day they took the test. After 3 days, if they feel well and do not have a high temperature, the risk of passing the infection on to others is much lower. This is because children and young people tend to be infectious to other people for less time than adults.

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## 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 top 3 most improved children for each year group this week are:

Y3 = Ryan, Elyza, Seamus

Y4 = Adil, Evelyn, Nyah

Y5 = Cairo, Hana, Mahbeer

Y6 = Anthony, Adam, Lara



# Ashmount Together Meeting

There will be an Ashmount Together Meeting on Tuesday 24th
May right after school on the grass steps to the right of our main front door. We will be planning for our summer events. Everyone is welcome to come along. A community that works together can create GREAT things for the school!

## Our Class Assemblies

You can join remotely or in person at 9.10am. A Google Meet link will be sent out to families as a text message.

### Summer Term

Tues 24th May: 5 Blue

Half Term Holiday

Tues 14th June: 3 Green

Tues 21st June: Reception Blue

Tues 28th June: Nursery

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## What we are learning next:

#### Nursery:

English: We will having conversations about our new story, 'Where The Wild Things Are'.

Maths: We will be talking about and exploring 3D shapes.

#### Reception

English: We will be focusing on rhyme and writing our own rhyming sentences.

Maths: We will be focusing on the number sequence and introducing number tracks.

#### Year 1

English: We will be revising sounds in our phonics lessons ahead of the screening check.

Maths: We will be consolidating our learning of multiplication, division and fractions.

#### Year 2

English: We will be writing character descriptions inspired by the traditional African tale of 'Anansi the Spider'.

Maths: We will be continuing to develop our understanding of time by comparing different intervals of time.

#### Year 3

English: We will be writing narratives based on the text 'Oliver and the Seawias'.

Maths: We will be learning to find a fraction of a number and use division to share more than one whole.

#### Year 4

English: We will be writing an adventure story based on the book 'Stone Age Boy' by Satoshi Kitamura .

Maths: We will learn about different types of angles, and we will name and compare angles and use this information to help when classifying triangles and quadrilaterals

#### Year 5

English: We will be publishing our non fiction texts on Mexico.

Maths: We will be continuing our learning around angles, measuring, drawing and calculating angles.

#### Year 6

English: We will be planning, writing and publishing a non-chronological

Maths: We will be revising areas of geometry and applying them to real life contexts.

## School Diary Dates

Full school dates are on our website.

## Educational Visits and Workshops

Tues 24th May: Reception - Postal Museum

Thurs 26th May: 4 Green - Kenwood House

Fri 27th May: 4 Blue - Kenwood House

#### Whole School Events

Tues 24th May: Ashmount Together meeting to plan for our summer events. Outside the main front door after school.

Tues 7th June: Sports Day

Fri 24th June: International Evening

Sat 9th July: Summer Fair

## Ashmount Parent Workshops

In-person in the Music Room and online at the new time of 9.10am. Tea and coffee will be served in the Music Room from 9.05am.

A Google Meet link will be sent out by text.

Fri 17th June: Supporting Reception children with the transition to Year I

Fri 24th June: Our SEND offer and accessing support for your child

Fri Ist July: Building Resilience in Children with Natasha from Place2Be

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## Weekly Attendance 16.05.22 — 20.05.22

Class	Percentage
Nursery	96.8
Reception Blue	81.7
Reception Green	94.0
1 Blue	97.9
1 Green	90.0
2 Blue	98.5
2 Green	93.0
3 Blue	97.7
3 Green	92.8
4 Blue	95.2
4 Green	97.9
5 Blue	94.2
5 Green	93.3
6 Blue	91.8
6 Green	94.7

Our best attending classes this week were:

Nursey, 2 Blue, 4 Green and

6 Green.

Well done children and adults. The best attending classes at the end of half term will get a Friday film afternoon with hot chocolate and biscuits. At Ashmount, we are aiming for at least 97% attendance in each class. Attendance for all pupils is a huge focus with the mantra being: "Every minute matters, Every second counts"

If you need support with attendance contact Peter, our School Home Support lead, or Katie and Shajia at the school office.

## Ashmount Cake Sales

Our cake sales help us to raise money for the school. They take place on Fridays in the playground. Please bring any contributions to the school office on the day.

Date	Year Group
Fri 27th May	Year 6
Fri 10th June	Year 4
Fri 17th June	Year 6
Fri 24th June	Reception
Fri 1st July	Nursery



# Ashmount Together. Papas and Mamas so-cial and fundraising event



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# Youth Voice Workshop

On Wednesday 18th May, a fantastic group of Ashmount representatives took part in a Youth Voice Workshop with three members of the Enrichment Team from Islington Council. Their mission was to voice their views on three enrichment topics – careers, culture and music. There were questions about what these topics meant to them, what they enjoy about enrichment activities in schools and what they would do if they were in charge!

The children were all confident, articulate and a credit to the school. Well done Ilyas, Kayden, Maggie, Nia, Cooper, Ebrahim, Gil, Kezia, Kinai, Finn, Sade, Martha, Jayden and Mohamed you are now honorary members of the Islington Enrichment team!











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# Our learning in pictures: Reception











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# Our learning in pictures: Year I























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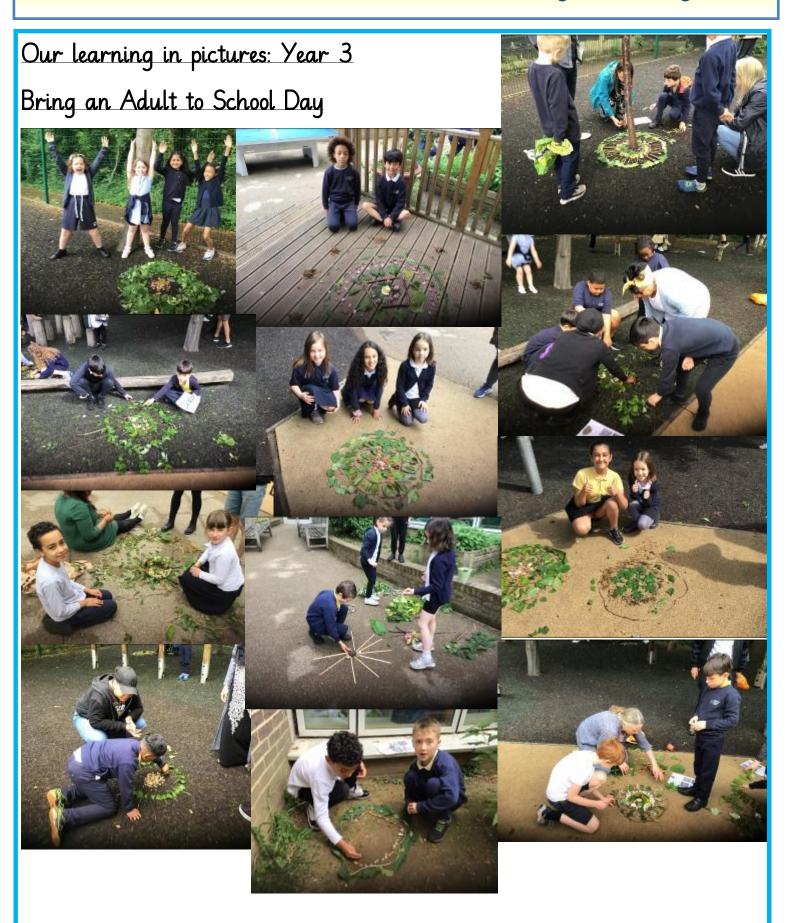
# Our learning in pictures: Year 3















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Our learning in pictures: Year 6

Making Viking amulets out of clay

















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Our learning in pictures: Year 6
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