

Friday 24th February 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a great opening week to the half term and I am immensely grateful for all of you who could join us for Number Day on Friday. Over 200 parents joined across the school from Nursery to Year 6 on what was a fabulous morning for children, parents and staff alike. We hoped you enjoyed your learning with the children and we will of course run our next Bring An Adult To School day after Easter. As soon as we have finalised a date I will publish this in the newsletter.

As part of our work on ensuring equalities work is part and parcel of all we do we began this week a two week learning block on LGBTQ+. We are sensitively looking at this through an English focus on different texts but also through workshops to ensure that all children are safe in accepting their own uniqueness but also in accepting difference in others.

The office team will on Monday release our online booking service for Parent Conferences. These are due to take place on **Tues 7th March 1:30—5 p.m. and Wed 8th March 3:30–7:20 p.m.** . It's absolutely essential that you all attend these sessions to ensure we can work together to support your child's learning both at school and home. We look forward to seeing you all next week for these catch up sessions.

Next Friday is World Book Day—so it would be amazing to see the children dressed as their favourite book character. It will therefore be a non-uniform day. But we are asking all parents to make a donation that the school will pass on to the DEC Turkey-Syria earthquake appeal. This has particular resonance for the school in both a humanitarian sense but also representing the diverse make up of our school with a sizable Turkish community but also families of Syrian heritage. Any support offered will be welcome.

Finally, on Friday morning at 9:05 a.m. we will have our AGM for Ashmount Together in the main hall this is a great opportunity to see how Ashmount Together runs, where and when we fundraise and to get involved! We're always looking for more support in a variety of roles. We also really want feedback and ideas about how you feel we should be supporting the school. We look forward to seeing you there and meeting some new faces!

Next week on Thursday 2nd March also sees the continuation of strike action by the NEU, the main teaching union nationally. School will only be open to the following classes:

2 Blue, 4 Blue and 5 Green

Finally, I will attach with the newsletter our half termly home learning documents. If you feel you need further support helping to develop their learning at home then please let us know.

Best wishes,

Anthony

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A flyer for Crouch End LEGO Club. The background is black with white streaks radiating from the center, giving a sense of motion or a starry night sky. Various LEGO models are scattered around the text: a satellite in the top left, a blue robot in the top right, a green dinosaur on the left, a red and white rocket on the right, a windmill on the bottom left, and a pink birdhouse on the bottom right. The title 'CROUCH END' is in yellow, and 'LEGO CLUB!' is in large, multi-colored block letters.

CROUCH END LEGO CLUB!

A lego meet-up for children 4yrs+
Come escape the cold and get creative!

(Please Note: Children must be accompanied by a responsible adult!)

Every other Monday during term time
@ St Mary Hornsey Rise Church

Jan. 16th / Jan. 30th / Feb. 27th
Mar. 13th / Mar. 27th
3.45pm - 4.45pm

FREE but space is limited. Please RSVP @
tinyurl.com/crouchendlegoclub

St Mary Hornsey Rise also hosts a weekly Food Bank!
A box will be out on the day for any Food Bank donations.
££s also welcome. All ££s will go to St Mary Hornsey Rise
to cover room costs & support the weekly Food Bank.
More Food Bank info at smhr.org.uk & thehivefoodbank.com.

St Mary Hornsey Rise is located on Ashley Rd, N19 3AD
(Please use entrance at rear past main church doors.)



Note: Please only attend if you do not have any Flu/Covid symptoms or a temperature. Thank you
for your understanding :-). Questions or suggestions: facebook.com/crouchendlegoclub

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Ashmount is registered for the Young Artists' Summer Show. Enter your artwork online before the 29th March for a chance for your work to be shown in the Royal Academy of Arts or online. Your work can be any medium you choose and on any theme you like.

For any support with your submission, see Rosie in Reception Blue.

A poster for the Young Artists' Summer Show 2023. The background is a vibrant orange-red with diagonal purple brushstrokes. In the top left, the letters 'RA' are in large, bold, black font. The main title 'Young Artists' Summer Show' is in large, white, sans-serif font, with '2023' in a purple script font below it. In the top right, there is a green triangular area containing text about the call for entries. At the bottom left, the Royal Academy of Arts logo is visible, and at the bottom right, it says 'Made possible by Robin Hambro'.

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Call for entries

An exciting opportunity for students aged 4–19 to exhibit their artwork online and at the Royal Academy of Arts

Open for submissions
9 January – 29 March 2023

Find out more and enter
roy.ac/youngartists
[#rayoungartists](https://twitter.com/rayoungartists)

Young Artists' Summer Show

2023

Royal Academy of Arts

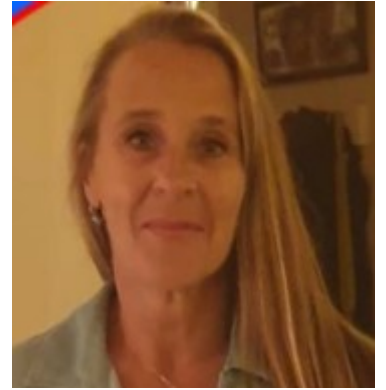
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Annabel's Inclusion Corner

Children's Mental Health Focus



As a continuation of our focus on Mental Health, the BIG Alliance delivered a great workshop for Year 6 this week. Volunteers facilitated discussions about how children can look after their mental wellbeing and how the school environment can support this. Working with volunteers in this way helps to reduce stigma and supports children and young people to understand that positive mental health is important to everyone.



Incredible Years Parenting Groups - Islington CAMHS and Bright Start Islington



Incredible Years is one of the interventions recommended by NICE (National Institute for Health and Care Excellence) for children presenting with difficult or challenging behaviours. It is also a universal intervention for parents wanting to know more about parenting and to meet other parents with children of similar ages, facing the same parenting dilemmas, stresses and joys.

Any parent with a **child aged between 1-10 years** who wants help with managing their child's behaviour can be referred to the group. (Please see attached flyers with the newsletter).

The group is **not suitable** for parents of children where the primary need is for another intervention, for example Speech and Language therapy, or for children with a diagnosis of Autistic Spectrum Disorder or other developmental difficulty, or for parents who have limited contact with their child.

If you are interested then please email me: annabel.lemoine@islington.sch.uk

Manners Curriculum

The Manners Curriculum focus for this week was: 'How to walk silently around the school especially on the stairs'. This has been identified as being an issue and in particular with the older children in Years 5 and 6. We insist on this for obvious safety reasons and also because it makes for a calmer and more pleasant environment! Please can you support us with this by reminding your children.

Next week's focus will continue to be the same one as we need more than a week to get this right.

Please can you continue to support us with this by reminding your children of the manners focus.



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Weekly Attendance 21.02.23 — 24.02.23

Class	Percentage
Nursery	95.7
Reception Blue	97.8
Reception Green	77.3
1 Blue	94.1
1 Green	96.7
2 Blue	92.9
2 Green	99.0
3 Blue	97.7
3 Green	99.0
4 Blue	96.5
4 Green	93.0
5 Blue	94.4
5 Green	96.7
6 Blue	97.5
6 Green	86.6

Our best attending classes this week were:

Reception Blue, 2 Green, 3 Green and 6 Blue

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.

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:

Here are the most improved for each year group:

Y3: Mahamed, Ayaz, Samuel

Y4: Meriem, Ryan, Cooper

Y5: Annabel, Angelina, Abdur-Raheem,

Y6: Maysa, Foster, Sara



ASHMOUNT PRIMARY SCHOOL WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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What we are learning next week:

Nursery

English: We will be continuing to create storymaps based on the story 'Snail Trail'.

Maths: We will be exploring different ways to make the number 5.

Reception

English: We will be exploring the texts of author Gareth Peter.

Maths: We will be exploring the composition of numbers up to 7.

Year 1

English: We will be learning about Tom Daley and will be writing a letter to him.

Maths: We will be continuing to explore numbers 1-40.

Year 2

English: We will be writing a letter to sportsperson Beth Mead as part of Ashmount's LGBTQ+ fortnight.

Maths: We will be learning how to write and count money notes and coins.

Year 3

English: We will be learning about the life experiences of Tan France and writing a letter to Tan France.

Maths: We will be adding and subtracting amounts of money.

Year 4:

English: We will be learning about the life experiences of Dame Kelly Holmes and writing a letter to her.

Maths: We will be adding and subtracting fractions.

Year 5

English: We will be learning about the singer Sam Smith and planning and writing a letter to them.

Maths: We will be learning to compare and add decimals.

Year 6

English: We will be learning about the activist Lady Phyll and planning and writing a letter to them.

Maths: We will be reading, writing and converting metric measures.

School Diary Dates

Full school term dates are on our website.

Educational Visits and Workshops

Weds 1st March—Year 3 at London Zoo

Mon 20th March—Year 4 at Kew

Wed 22nd Mar—Year 5 London Mosque

Fri 31st March—Year 6 Viking Workshop

Class Assemblies

Tues 28th Feb 2 Green

Tues 7th Mar 5 Green

Tues 14th Mar Reception Blue

Tues 21st Mar 6 Blue

Tues 28th Mar 4 Green

Whole School Events

World Book Day—Fri 3rd March

Parent Conferences —Tues 7th March 1:30—5 p.m. and

Wed 8th March 3:30-7:20 p.m.

Choir & Recorder Group Concert Monday 27th Mar 2 p.m.

Cake Sales!

TBC

School Calendar

Start of second half of the Spring term:

Tuesday 21st February 2023 9 a.m.

End of spring term:

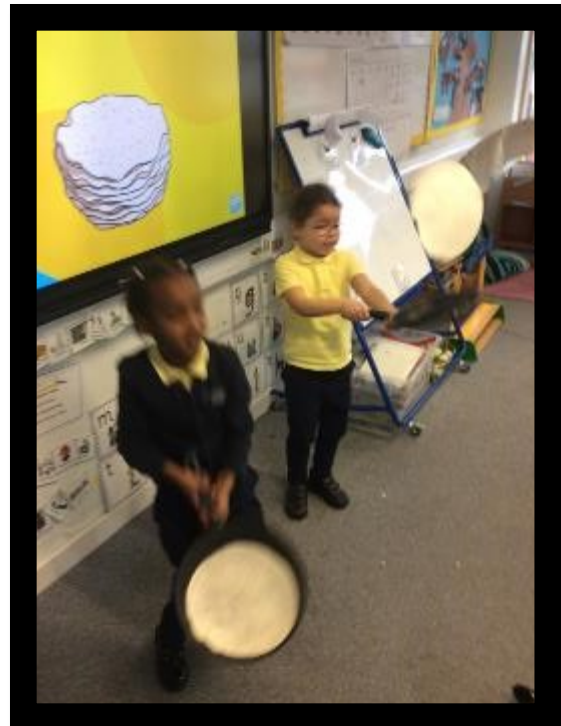
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Our learning in pictures: Nursery



Our learning in pictures: Reception



Our learning in pictures: Year 1



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Our learning in pictures: Year 2



Our learning in pictures: Year 3



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Our learning in pictures Year 4



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Our learning in pictures Year 5



Our learning in pictures Year 6



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