

Dear Parents and Carers,

I would like to start by thanking Shelima Year 1 Blue's class teacher, who has left the school at the end of this term, for her work with the class and her fantastic care for the children. Shelima leaves us as Mairead is returning from her maternity leave and we look forward to welcoming her back.

Thank you to everyone in the community for your support of the school during this term, whether it be by attending child Parent Conferences, class assemblies, musical performances, Bring An Adult To School days, or through the support of Ashmount Together and incredible community events and fundraising they do. All of these elements on their own may seem small but they are actually the glue that bond us together as a community and have huge impact on each child's learning and are thus vitality important.

An early heads up, that apart from Monday 1st May and 8th May when the school will be closed for the May Day bank holiday and King Charles' coronation it is possible that the school will also be closed to most classes, if not all on Thursday 27 April and Tuesday 2 May due to proposed NEU action. I will update you about this as and when I have more details.

A plug also for the free Science of surgery event at UCL on Monday—see page 3. This is free and tickets can be booked here:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/the-science-of-surgery-tickets-520680719047>

Can I also thank all of you have so far responded to our annual Parents Survey—there is still time to respond and it only takes a few minutes! You can do so by accessing the following link:

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/APSPS23>

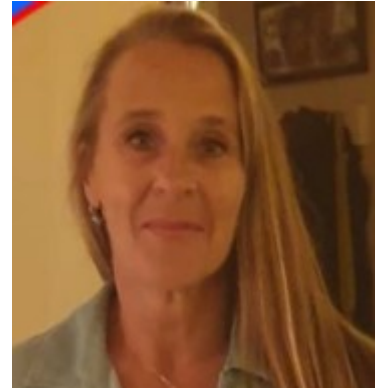
Finally, I am attaching a Short Story Poster competition poster from the Islington reading Road Map team.

I hope you all have a restful Easter break and we look forward to welcoming you all back on Monday 17th April.

Best wishes,

Anthony

Annabel's Inclusion Corner



Mentoring services

There are an array of mentoring services available for KS2 children. Please contact me if you are interested in your child being referred to any of those listed below. annabel.lemoine@ashmount.islington.sch.uk

The Kids Network – 8-11yrs – new to Islington 1:1 mentoring for a year – up to 10 children per school

<https://www.thekidsnetwork.org.uk/>

Reach Out mentoring – currently in some Islington primary schools for 2023-24

Reach Out Club which takes place in primary schools with young people aged 9-11;

ReachOut – Mentoring that works (reachoutuk.org)

Chance UK – Chance UK – Solution-Focused Mentoring & Support

My Future Programme

Girls LIFT Programme

Islington based mentoring services

– <https://directory.islington.gov.uk/kb5/islington/directory/results.pageterm=8sorttype=relevance&q=mentoring+for+children+and+young+people&sorttype=relevance>

Including:

Friendship Works

Targeted Youth Support and Youth Offending service 10-17yr olds

Bright Futures – Early Help 5-19

Sophie Izzard is our new link person from Bright Futures. Please use this link to read more about this amazing service. <https://directory.islington.gov.uk/kb5/islington/directory/service.page?id=txVgdPi-CzO>

Families can self-refer or you can ask me to do this for you.

Tel: 020-7527-4343 Early.Help@islington.gov.uk

Manners Curriculum

The Manners Curriculum focus for this week was: **'How to use appropriate language and tone when talking to others.'** Last week's winners were 2G & 4B—well done!

Next week's focus will be **"How to say sorry properly"** This includes body language and eye contact. Saying what they are sorry for and how that has made the person feel and what they would do differently next time.

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

Year 6 Basketball competition

Congratulations to our 3 amazing Year 6 children, Otis Patterson, Maher Xassen and Sara Krasniqi for a sterling performance at the basketball tournament held at St.Aloysius on Tuesday 14th March.

They played 3 matches, winning two by a landslide getting through to the semi finals to play against St.Joseph's.

It was a breathtaking experience to watch their amazing display of basketball skills, resilience and team work. The semi- final ended with a draw, followed by the same result in extra time and a nail biting ' free throw' where Ashmount were beaten by a mere whisker.

I am so proud of Otis, Maher and Sara as they not only played against some extremely tall players but also against very skilled teams.

A massive well done for getting third place and a bronze medal and also for such impressive display of skill, resilience and talent.

Free UCL opportunity next Monday!!!! The Science of Surgery—it looks like it'll be super exciting!



Friday 31st March 2023

Weekly Attendance 27.03.23 — 31.03.23

Class	Percentage
Nursery	89.6
Reception Blue	92.9
Reception Green	90.4
1 Blue	93.4
1 Green	93.5
2 Blue	93.9
2 Green	95.2
3 Blue	95.5
3 Green	94.9
4 Blue	96.2
4 Green	94.2
5 Blue	92.6
5 Green	93.3
6 Blue	95.0
6 Green	92.1

Our best attending classes this term were:

Reception Blue, 2 Green, 4 Blue and 6 Blue

Well done children and adults. These classes will on our return to school 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: Kamari, Joss, Amira

Y4: Meriem, Ryan, Millian

Y5: Nazim, Lucas M, Lukas A

Y6: Naomi, Cairo, Idriss



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What we are learning next week:

Nursery

English: We will be exploring the book 'The Journey'

Maths: We will be learning about matching numerals and amounts using objects plus actions.

Reception

English: We will be exploring the text 'The Bog Baby' by Jeanne Willis.

Maths: We will be subitising amounts to 10.

Year 1

English: We will be reading and learning the poem 'Please Mrs Butler'.

Maths: We will be exploring division.

Year 2

English: We will be researching London landmarks and writing a persuasive poster.

Maths: We will be learning how to recognise, find and write fractions.

Year 3

English: We will be exploring the text 'The Journey' by Aaron Becker and writing a diary entry based on the text.

Maths: We will be starting to learn about pictographs and bar graphs.

Year 4:

English: We will be using the Old Bridge by De Jongh to inspire our writing.

Maths: We will be rounding money and converting length.

Year 5

English: We will be beginning our 'Writing Through Art' project and will be writing and performing persuasive speeches.

Maths: We will be continuing to explore money.

Year 6

English: We will be using the text 'Corey's Rock' by Sita Brahmachari to inspire us to write a poem.

Maths: We will be calculating with scale factors.

School Diary Dates

Full school term dates are on our website.

Educational Visits and Workshops

Weds 3rd May—RG Walthamstow Wetlands

Weds 10th May—RB Walthamstow Wetlands

Thurs 25th May—Year 5 Science Museum

Class Assemblies

Weds 9th May 3 Blue

Tues 16th May Reception Green

Tues 23rd May 1 Blue

Whole School Events

Cake Sales!

After Easter dates TBC

School Calendar

May Day Bank Holiday Mon 1st May

King Charles' coronation Mon 8th May

End of summer term Fri 27th May

Friday 31st March 2p.m.

Our learning in pictures: School Concert



Our learning in pictures: Nursery Welcoming Spring and Easter



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Our learning in pictures: Reception



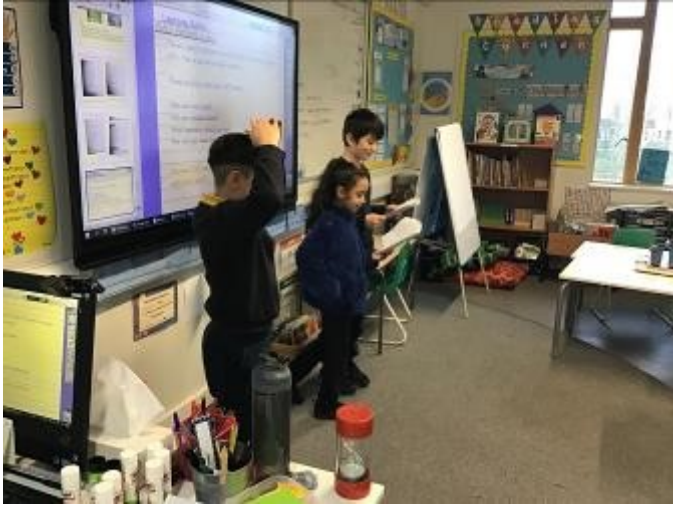
Our learning in pictures: Year 1



Our learning in pictures: Year 2



Our learning in pictures: Year 3



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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