

Friday 3rd November 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

A huge thank you to all of those families who joined us for this terms Parent Conferences. The staff feedback was hugely positive and we will contact the small number of families who couldn't attend to tie up these meetings over the next fortnight.

Thank you to all of those who have responded to our Annual Parent Survey - so far 71 of you have responded but we would at least like to get to 200 responses. Each year we run our Annual Parent Survey to look at parent views of the school and understand what we can do better to improve our school offer.

This year the survey runs until Friday 10th November at midnight and we will look to publish outcomes in the school newsletter on Friday 8th December. You can submit one survey per child or one for a family—the choice is yours.

Here is the link:

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/ASH2324> Or, use the QR code:



A reminder that on Monday we have our consultation on moving to a mixed schools meal service where we would offer both non-halal and halal meat options as part of our food offer. There are 3 meetings that will run in the music room and can also be accessed virtually by following the links.

at 9 a.m. <https://meet.google.com/phw-stmu-ijp>  
3:20 p.m. <https://meet.google.com/dwq-soma-esm>  
and at 5 p.m. <https://meet.google.com/skx-kwfq-kra>

I will, after the meetings, send out the slides from the meeting, a video of the meeting and a survey link where you can let us know your thoughts. The school's Children, Families and Communities committee will then look at outcomes from this consultation before we decide on next steps for our school meal offer.

I will also be attaching this half term's Home Learning documents with the newsletter and if there is anything else we can do to support your child's learning at home please let us know!

Finally, a reminder that the ordering deadline for your child's Christmas/Greetings card is the evening of Wednesday 8 November (ie only a few days away!!!!). If you can't find your child's order card with the codes necessary for ordering, not to worry - if you email the address on the flyer attached with your child's name and class, Ashmount Together will provide the information you need.

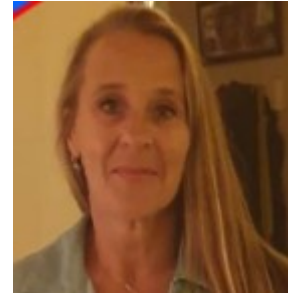
Best wishes,

Anthony

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## Annabel's Inclusion Corner



### Tiny Happy People



Tiny Happy People can help you develop your child's language and communication skills, so they get the best start in life.

Tiny Happy People will show you why and how you can bond with your child, before they're born and throughout their early lives – it's never too early to start.

Their ideas and activities are easy to build into your daily routine. They're quick and inspiring, but they're also based on expert advice and evidence, and are proven to help your child's development.

Please follow the link for more information:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/tiny-happy-people>

### Sensory Differences in Children



What do sensory differences look like in children?

Children with low sensory thresholds present as being 'over-responsive' to sensory input. They can be easily overwhelmed in noisy, busy environments such as shops, birthday parties or noisy classrooms. They may not be able to tolerate labels in clothes or their hair being brushed. Children with high sensory thresholds present as 'under-responsive' to sensory input. They need a higher intensity or frequency of sensory input before they notice it. Follow this link for more information and advice: <https://www.whittington.nhs.uk/default.asp?c=43919>

### Family Hub Fun Day

Family Hub Fun Day is for Islington children and young people. They will be celebrating the launch of Family Hub South at Bemerton Children's Centre this Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> November 11.30 -2.30. (see attached flyer).

Family Hubs offer: help and support to families from pregnancy up until age 19, or up to 25 for young people with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND)

Important Start for Life services – covering the critical 1,001 days from conception to age two – at their core.

Family Hubs are a welcoming and inclusive way into services. Whatever you need support with, everything you need is in one place.

### Best Lining Up Award

Each week classes in KS1 and 2 are awarded with a certificate and cup to acknowledge their efforts for lining up quickly, sensibly and safely.

This week's winners are KS1 - 2G and in KS2- 4G again so well done!!



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Weekly Attendance 30.10.23 — 03.11.23

| Class           | Percentage |
|-----------------|------------|
| Nursery         | 93.6       |
| Reception Blue  | 90.7       |
| Reception Green | 95.3       |
| 1 Blue          | 94.4       |
| 1 Green         | 90.7       |
| 2 Blue          | 94.0       |
| 2 Green         | 97.4       |
| 3 Blue          | 96.6       |
| 3 Green         | 94.8       |
| 4 Blue          | 96.1       |
| 4 Green         | 98.6       |
| 5 Blue          | 96.0       |
| 5 Green         | 98.3       |
| 6 Blue          | 94.0       |
| 6 Green         | 96.2       |

Our best attending classes this week were:

Reception Green, 2 Green, 4 Green and 5 Green

Well done children and adults. These classes will on receive an additional 5 minutes playtime one day next week. 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:

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Year 3 - Misra, Nylah Allen, Mumin

Year 4 - Ecrin, Samuel, Cagla

Year 5 - Meriem, Amelia, Ryan

Year 6 - Samir, Stanley, Liv



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## What we are learning next week:

### Nursery

**English:** We will be learning about Diwali using the book 'Lighting a Lamp'.

**Maths:** We will be learning to compare numbers 1-3.

### Reception

**English:** We will be continuing to explore 'Room on the Broom'.

**Maths:** We will be exploring AB repeating patterns.

### Year 1

**English:** We will be describing a new setting and a new toy for our own versions of the story Dogger.

**Maths:** We will be learning to use positional and directional language.

### Year 2

**Maths:** We will be starting to explore multiplication.

**English:** We will be planning and writing a retell of 'The Tiger Skin Rug'.

### Year 3

**English:** We will be writing an eye-witness account based on the events in 'I Was a Rat' by Philip Pullman.

**Maths:** We will be multiplying numbers by 3, 4 and 8.

### Year 4:

**English:** We will be writing character and setting descriptions using expanded noun phrases.

**Maths:** We will be exploring multiplication and division.

### Year 5

**English:** We will be exploring the characters and setting of Kensuke's Kingdom.

**Maths:** We will be learning how to multiply numbers up to 4-digits by 1- and 2-digit numbers using a formal written method.

### Year 6:

**English:** We will be exploring the characters and setting of Floodland and be planning and writing a letter from a character's perspective.

**Maths:** We will be adding and subtracting fractions and mixed numbers and will begin to explore multiplying fractions.

## School Diary Dates

*Full school term dates are on our website.*

### Educational Visits and Workshops

Tues 7th Nov—Year 4 Orienteering at Hampstead Heath

Tues 14th Nov—Year 2, 3 & 4 Diwali Dance Workshops

Weds 29th November—Year 6 visit to the Natural History Museum.

Wed 6th (5G) & Thur 7th (5B) Dec—Year 5 Creekside River Exploration

### Class Assemblies

Tues 7th Nov 1 Blue

Tues 14th Nov 2 Green

Tues 21st Nov 3 Blue

Tues 28th Nov 5 Green

Tues 5th Dec 4 Blue

### Parent Conferences

Tuesday 31st Oct 2:30 p.m.—5:18 p.m.

Wednesday 1st Nov 3:20 p.m.—7:18 p.m.

### Whole School/Ashmount Together Events

Dual food offer consultation Non-halal and halal food—Monday 6th November—in the Music Room at 9 a.m., 3:30 p.m. and 5 p.m.

Christmas Carols—Monday 18th Dec 3:45 p.m.—Main hall

### Tuck shop dates

Friday 24th November - Winter theme - N—Y 2 led  
And Friday 15th December - Christmas theme - Y 3—Y 4 led

# ASHMOUNT CHRISTMAS CARDS 2023

## HOW TO ORDER

Your child will bring home a 'HOW TO ORDER' card showing their design and their unique codes, together with brief instructions.

PLEASE KEEP THIS CARD UNTIL YOU HAVE RECEIVED YOUR ITEMS as it can help sort out any queries.

Go to: **approve.myfundraisinghub.com** and follow the instructions. You will be asked to approve the design. You will also need to enter your unique codes and your child's name and class (which will be printed on the back of your cards).

All orders are placed and paid for directly through the Class Fundraising website.  
And 23% of every payment will go to Ashmount Together funds to help the school!



## DEADLINE

All orders must be placed by **WEDNESDAY 8 NOVEMBER**.

This is to allow the items to be despatched to school in good time, so that families can send them out before Christmas. Please note that no items will be produced until after the deadline. They will then be sent to school in batches according to type, so for mixed orders not all items will come to you at once.

**IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO DO AN ONLINE ORDER, OR HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT:** [ashmountchristmascards@gmail.com](mailto:ashmountchristmascards@gmail.com)



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## Our learning in pictures: Nursery





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## Our learning in pictures: Reception



### Our learning in pictures: Year 1





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## Our learning in pictures: Year 2

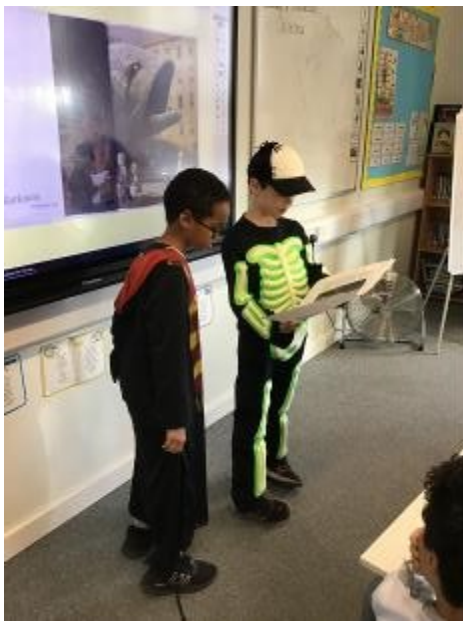


### Our learning in pictures: Year 3





### Our learning in pictures Year 4





### Our learning in pictures Year 5

### UCL Air Pollution Science Workshop



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### Our learning in pictures Year 6

