

Friday 20th October 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

I will start with a few thank yous!

Firstly a huge thank you to Ashmount Together for hosting the Book Fair over the last two weeks. This is always a real positive for raising the profile of reading across the school but also a fundraiser for the schools coffers in a difficult financial environment. We will let you know the sales outcomes in due course.

Secondly a huge thank you to Dionne for organising our Black History Month leaning offer but also to Ashmount Together for hosting an incredible Black History Month extravaganza on Friday evening. It really showcased an array of amazing talent through our art display in the small hall, choir offer and dancing in the main hall and an array of cultural and food stalls across the main hall and patio. It really was a fantastic afternoon and early evening and thank you to everyone for your support in running the event but also for your attendance!

Finally three significant reminders:

A reminder that our Autumn term Parent Conferences are this Tuesday and Wednesday on our return after half term. All families are now signed up so please remember your time slot to meet up with your child's class teacher. This really is such an important meeting for all members of the community and we look forward to meeting you in person.

On Tuesday it is Halloween and we will have a dress down day where all children can come dressed for Halloween. In addition, there will be an Ashmount Together Tuck shop offer in the lower playground after school selling an array of items linked to Halloween and running a Halloween themed game!

Finally, on Monday 6th November we will begin a consultation process to consider offering a joint non-halal and halal food service at school. This would involve Caterlink, our caterers being able to offer both meat types. We cannot make this change before consulting with the community and we will be holding three parents meetings on the day explaining the proposed changes and seeking community views. These meetings will take place in the Music room at 9 a.m., 3:30 p.m. and 5 p.m. and will also be accessible via a Google Meet link online.

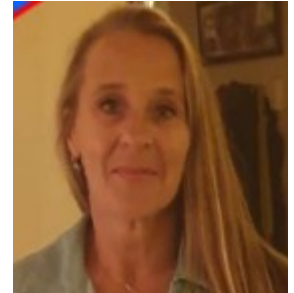
Best wishes,

Anthony

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Annabel's Inclusion Corner



Occupational Therapy Services



Their offer reflects the introduction of the tiered model for therapy across Islington children's services. With the increase in universal and targeted intervention, they are able to meet the needs of more children in the borough and ensure that the children who need the specialist intervention most, are able to access this.

They appreciate some children won't access specialist intervention in the way it has been outlined in their EHC Plan, but they will have access to specialist provision in the form of parent coaching and targeted support through training to schools and parents. Over time they hope to reflect these changes in EHCPs and will be focusing on this during times of transition i.e. at the end of certain key stages.

Incredible Years (CAMHS) reminder

CAMHS Incredible Years have just started this parenting programme that takes place at Blessed Sacrament Primary School. The group is aimed for parents who have children between aged

6-10 years and provides the opportunity to meet other parents whilst learning positive parenting strategies to increase the child's self-esteem and reduce aggressive behaviour problems.

The programme takes place on Tuesday's at 9:30-12:00 and will be running until January 23rd 2024 (with breaks taking place in half term and over the Christmas break).

Attached are the following two documents:

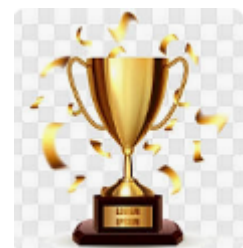
- General information leaflet – This can be distributed to all parents as required.
- Expression of Interest Form – This needs to be completed by Annabel on behalf of any interested parents who will then email it to Incredible Years.



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 Well done!!



Weekly Attendance 16.10.23 — 20.10.23

Class	Percentage
Nursery	84.0
Reception Blue	93.0
Reception Green	93.0
1 Blue	95.1
1 Green	93.1
2 Blue	93.7
2 Green	98.7
3 Blue	91.2
3 Green	94.3
4 Blue	87.4
4 Green	97.5
5 Blue	98.0
5 Green	99.2
6 Blue	82.0
6 Green	93.5

Our best attending classes this week were:

Reception Blue and 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 - Menaal, Nylah, Maazin

Year 4 - Joss, Ecrin, Dexter

Year 5 - Yoonis, Amelia, Malik

Year 6 - none this week as only 6 children played across the whole year group and played for a day for about 1 minute



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What we are learning next week:

Nursery

English: We will be learning to identify different colours in our environment.

Maths: We will be recognising and representing numbers 1-3.

Reception

English: We will be reading 'Room on the Broom' by Julia Donaldson.

Maths: We will be beginning our Maths No Problem scheme.

Year 1

English: We will be reading the story 'Dogger' by Shirley Hughes. We will be sequencing the story using pictures and describing a setting.

Maths: We will be exploring addition and subtraction number families.

Year 2

Maths: We will be consolidating our learning on subtraction.

English: We will be exploring 'The Tiger Skin Rug' and writing a retell.

Year 3

English: We will be starting to explore 'I was a Rat!' by Philip Pullman and writing character descriptions.

Maths: We will be consolidating our knowledge on addition and subtraction. Then we will explore multiplication and division.

Year 4:

English: We will be starting to explore 'The Red Tree' by Shaun Tan and looking closely at the illustrations.

Maths: We will be exploring multiplication and division.

Year 5

English: We will be exploring our new class text 'Kensuke's Kingdom'.

Maths: We will be consolidating our understanding of number, place value and rounding.

Year 6:

English: We will be exploring our new class text 'Floodland' by Marcus Sedgwick.

School Diary Dates

Full school term dates are on our website.

Educational Visits and Workshops

Mon 30th Oct—Fri 10th Oct Year 5 Swimming

Tues 7th Nov—Year 4 Orienteering at Hampstead Heath

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

Wed 15th Nov—Year 3 Science 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 hala food—Monday 6th November—in the Music Room at 9 a.m., 3:30 p.m. and 5 p.m.

Tuck shop dates

Tuesday 31st October - Halloween theme - Y 3—Y 6 led

Friday 24th November - Winter theme - N—Y 2 led

And Friday 15th December - Christmas theme - Y 3—Y 4 led

Term Dates:

School re-opens Monday 30th Oct 9 a.m.

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

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Black History Months Extravaganza 20.10.23



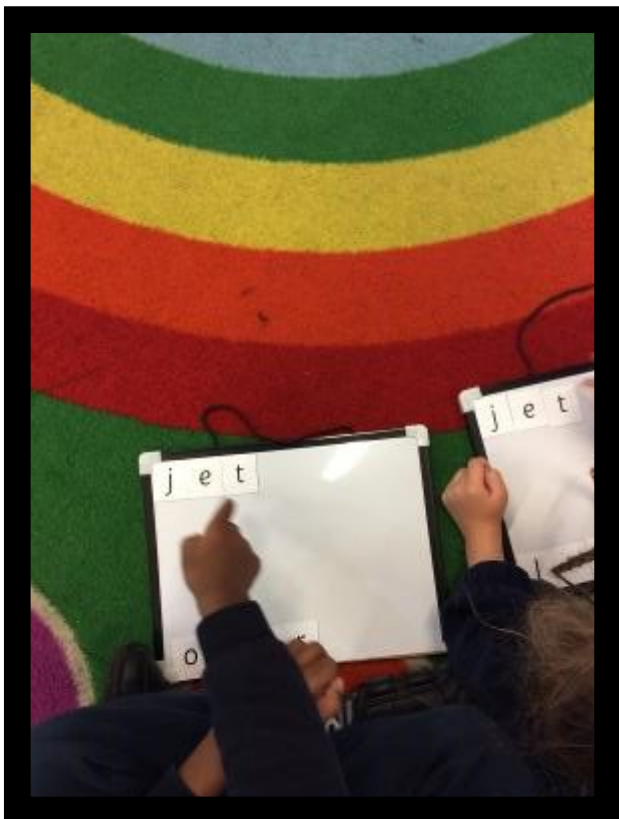
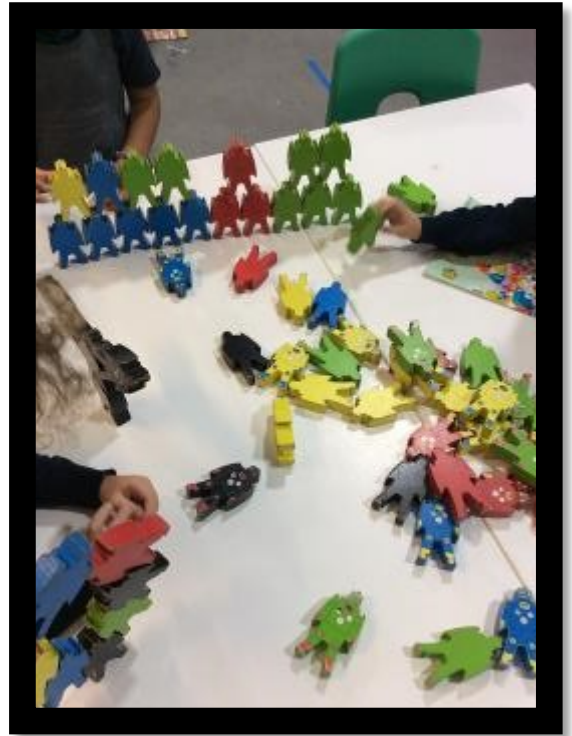
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Our learning in pictures: Nursery



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Our learning in pictures: Reception



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Our learning in pictures: Year 1



Our learning in pictures: Year 2



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Our learning in pictures: Year 3



Our learning in pictures Year 4



Our learning in pictures Year 5



Our learning in pictures Year 6

