

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week Year 6 have been away on our annual residential to the Outwards Bound Centre at Aberdyfi in the Snowdonia National Park. The children have had a fabulous week and enjoyed a host of experiences that we could not hope to replicate here at school. As importantly, it has been a brilliant time for the cohort to gel as a cohort, develop even more cohesive relationships with their teachers and create memories that will last a life time. I also would like to pass on my thanks to Beyza, Lavern and Salman for coming away with the group to support the children during their week away, without their help and assistance this trip wouldn't have been possible.

Thank you to all of the parents and carers who have joined us this week for your child's year group Parent Presentations. These continue again next week with the following information sessions being scheduled:

Tuesday 23rd Year 4, 4 Blue classroom

Wednesday 24th Year 5, 5 Blue classroom

Thursday 26th Year 6, 6 Blue classroom

On Monday we will have our individual child photos so please ensure your children come wearing their correct uniform. We will get back to you in due course with details, about ordering photos which Katie and Millie will organise from the office.

Next week also sees our first class assembly of the term. Parents from 4 Blue are welcome to join us to celebrate your children's learning so far this term. The assembly will take place at about 9:10 a.m. in the main hall.

Finally, please check out Ashmount Together's calendar for the this term on page 3 and see how you can help the school in a variety of ways to help us ensure we have a dynamic engaged community and that our learning offer is the best it can possibly be. Come and catch up with Ashmount Together on our Coffee Morning on Friday 3rd October to see how you can help us. Collectively the more families we have involved the lighter the workload for all will be and as importantly the stronger our whole school community will be.

Best wishes,

Anthony



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Should I keep my child off school?

Yes

Until...

| | |
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| Chickenpox | at least 5 days from the onset of the rash and until all blisters have crusted over |
| Diarrhoea and Vomiting | 48 hours after their last episode |
| Cold and Flu-like illness (including COVID-19) | they no longer have a high temperature and feel well enough to attend. Follow the national guidance if they've tested positive for COVID-19. |
| Impetigo | their sores have crusted and healed, or 48 hours after they started antibiotics |
| Measles | 4 days after the rash first appeared |
| Mumps | 5 days after the swelling started |
| Scabies | they've had their first treatment |
| Scarlet Fever | 24 hours after they started taking antibiotics |
| Whooping Cough | 48 hours after they started taking antibiotics |

No

but make sure you let their school or nursery know about...

| | |
|----------------------|-----------------|
| Hand, foot and mouth | Glandular fever |
| Head lice | Tonsillitis |
| Threadworms | Slapped cheek |



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Advice and guidance

To find out more, search for health protection in schools or scan the QR code or visit <https://qrco.de/minfec>.



Ashmount PTA Update – September 2025

Hello Ashmount families, and a very warm welcome to all our new parents and carers! ☐

We're excited to be starting a new school year together. The PTA has lots planned for the autumn term - from coffee mornings to community events - and we'd love for you to get involved.

1. Welcome Coffee Morning

Come and meet other parents, carers, and the PTA team at our New Parents / New Term Coffee Morning:

- ☐ **Friday 3 October, 9:05am**
- ☐ **School Music Room**

It's a relaxed way to connect, ask questions, and find out more about what the PTA does.

2. Join the School Band – Guitarists & Bass Players Wanted!

The **Ashmount School Band** is looking for new members - especially guitarists and bass players!

- Come along for a relaxed jam:
- ☐ **Thursday 25 September, 7:00pm**
 - ☐ **School Music Room**

Bring your instrument, or just come along to say hi. It's a fun, informal way to get involved in school life through music.

3. Get Involved

The PTA is for everyone — parents, carers, and staff. We exist to support the wellbeing of our students, enrich their learning environment, and invest in their future experiences. Here's how you can get involved:

- **Join your class WhatsApp group** – the quickest way to hear about events, reminders, and volunteer opportunities. ☐ To join your class WhatsApp group, please contact your Class Rep or email hello@ashmount-together.co.uk, and we'll connect you. (Please use these groups for school-related matters only.)
- **Volunteer for events** – from helping at the tuck shop to setting up at the Winter Fayre.
- **Share your skills** – even from home! Whether it's music, baking, design, or spreadsheets, every little helps.
- **Come to meetings/socials** – a great way to meet people and shape what we do.

4. Black History Month – Save the Date

We're delighted to confirm this year's **Black History Month celebration**:

- ☐ **Friday 17 October 2025**
- ☐ **Theme:** "Standing Firm in Power and Pride"

This theme is a meaningful tribute to the resilience, strength, and enduring pursuit of progress within the global Black community. It honours the impactful contributions of Black leaders, activists, and trailblazers, while envisioning a future rooted in empowerment, unity, and continued growth.

Details of performances and activities will follow soon. Please contact hello@ashmount-together.co.uk if you'd like to get involved in any way.

5. Upcoming PTA Events – Autumn Term

Here's what's coming up this term:

- ☐ **Welcome Coffee Morning – Friday 3 October**
- ☐ **Halloween Tuck Shop – Friday 24 October**

- ☐☐ **Bonfire Night – November tbc**
- ☐ **Winter Fayre – Friday 5 December**

More to come. Please save the dates and join us!

6. Fundraising Made Easy

Every contribution helps enhance our students' learning experiences, support school activities, and create opportunities that go beyond the classroom.

A reminder of simple ways you can support Ashmount:

- ☐ **EasyFundraising** – shop online and raise money at no extra cost
- ☐ **Match Funding** – check if your employer offers matched donations
- ☐ **Direct Donations** – give anytime, big or small

Every little helps, and together we make a big difference!

7. New PTA Email Address

We've introduced a central inbox to make it easier for you to reach us. From now on, please use:

- ☐ hello@ashmount-together.co.uk



First fundraiser of the school year!

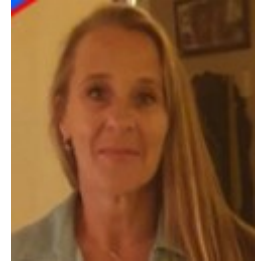
If you or your kids love football and want to join the ashmount fantasy league, set up your team, donate the minimum £5 per team to the Ashmount Together our school PTA, then contact your year rep to get the code to join the league.

It doesn't matter if you have never played it before or you are a seasoned pro. You can also join late and still be in with a chance of winning something. There will be prizes for the league and the cup. We will also recognise the managers of the month, so get picking your team!

<https://fantasy.premierleague.com/>

<https://www.justgiving.com/charity/ashmountschoolpta>

Annabel's Inclusion Corner



Universal Early Years Therapies visits

Jane Schofield

EYFS and Health Development Officer

Invitation for parents and carer's to meet our Speech & Language Therapy team with Bright Start this term at various locations.

Meet our Speech & Language Therapy team with Bright Start this term:

At Stay & Play sessions:

Please let families you are working with know that they can find a Speech & Language Therapist at stay & play sessions across all 3 Bright Start localities.

Our Bright Start Speech & Language Therapists will be at the groups to share tips and ideas to support children's communication and language development.

At an 'Early Communication' Parent / Carer Workshop

Parents / carers of children under 1 years old can meet a Bright Start Speech and Language Therapist during an under 1's Stay and Play session for an informal workshop. We will share information about early communication development and share some ideas on ways to support their child's communication development and play skills.

There will be one session in each Bright Start locality.

Further details about our Stay & Play visits and Early Communication workshops can be found here: [Find Your Islington | Speech and Language Therapy](#)

At a 'Building Joint Attention and Interaction' Parent / Carer Workshop

Parents / carers of children aged 18 months – 5 years who are not yet speaking or only using a few words are welcome to join our 'Building Joint Attention and Interaction' workshop (online). Bright Start Speech and Language Therapists will share practical tips to develop shared attention and interaction through play and daily activities. Parents / carers can choose the date that best suits them to sign up for this workshop on

Eventbrite: [Building Joint Attention and Interaction Tickets, Multiple Dates | Eventbrite](#)



Lining up winners this week are: KSI:2B and KS2: 4B

Weekly Attendance 15.09.25—19.09.25

| Class | Percentage |
|------------------------|-------------|
| Nursery | 96.1 |
| Reception Blue | 92.9 |
| Reception Green | 91.9 |
| 1 Blue | 93.6 |
| 1 Green | 93.9 |
| 2 Blue | 95.7 |
| 2 Green | 90.7 |
| 3 Blue | 98.2 |
| 3 Green | 92.0 |
| 4 Blue | 95.7 |
| 4 Green | 93.9 |
| 5 Blue | 94.4 |
| 5 Green | 98.0 |
| 6 Blue | 97.3 |
| 6 Green | 94.0 |

Our best attending classes this year were:

Nursery, 2 Blue, 3 Blue and 5 Green

Well done children and parents. These classes will have an extra 5 minutes of play during the first week back and an ice cream!

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 Nadia, 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:

Year 3 - Ella, Princess, Viggo

Year 4 - Georgia, Teo, Elysia

Year 5 - Abdullah, Abdur-Rahman, Maia

Year 6 - Ecrin, Elham, Claudette



ASHMOUNT PRIMARY SCHOOL WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Friday 19th September 2025

What we are learning next week:

Nursery

English- We will be innovating our own Gingerbread man inspired story.

Maths- We will be exploring sorting objects by colour, shape and size.

Reception:

English- We will be creating our own version of the Gingerbread Man story.

Maths- We will be learning about sorting.

Year 1

English – We will continue to explore 'The Papaya that Spoke' and we will be writing sentences with conjunctions.

Maths – We will be comparing numbers and learning to make number bonds.

Year 2

Maths: We will be exploring addition with renaming and simple subtraction.

English: We will be learning to use adjectives and verbs within our writing.

Year 3

English: We will be learning how to write a suspenseful story by practising the techniques we have learned.

Maths: We will be exploring adding 3-digit and 2-digit numbers with renaming.

Year 4

English: we will be learning how to write a suspenseful story by practising the techniques we have learned.

Maths: we will be looking at comparing and ordering 4 digit numbers and having a go at rounding to the nearest 10 and 100.

Year 5:

English: We will be continuing to explore Zelda Claw and the Rain Cat, looking at the techniques to create suspense.

Maths: We will be rounding numbers in 10s, 100s, 1000s and 10,000s

Year 6:

English: We will be continuing to explore Zelda Claw and the Rain Cat, looking at the techniques to create suspense.

Maths: We will be multiplying 3- and 4-digit numbers by 2-digit numbers.

School Diary Dates

Full school term dates are on our website.

Educational Visits and Workshops

Year 5 Swimming—29th Sept-3rd Oct

Year 3 Educational visit: Romans workshop (in school) – 30th Sept

Year 6 British Museum—Monday 6th October

Parent Presentation Dates—15-25 Sept

23rd Year4, 24th Year 5, 26th Year 6

-all in classrooms at 9:05 a.m.

Tuesday Class Assembly dates

Tues 23rd Sept 4 Blue

Tues 30th Sept Year 6 Residential Assembly

Tues 7th Oct 3 Green

Tues 14th Oct 2 Blue

Tues 21st Oct 1 Green

Tues 11th Nov 5 Blue

Tues 18th Nov 4 Green

Tues 25th Nov 3 Blue

Tues 2nd Dec 6 Green

Whole School/Ashmount Together Events

Bring An Adult To School Day—Thur 16th Oct

Friday 24th October—BHM/Celebration event

Tuck shop dates

TBC

Term Dates

Autumn 1 half term finishes on:

Friday 24th October 3:15 p.m.

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Our learning in pictures: Nursery



Our learning in pictures: Reception



Our learning in pictures: Year 1



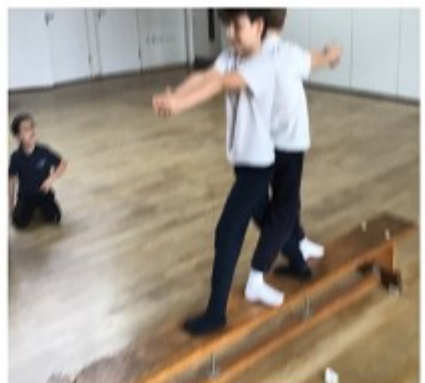
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Our learning in pictures: Year 2

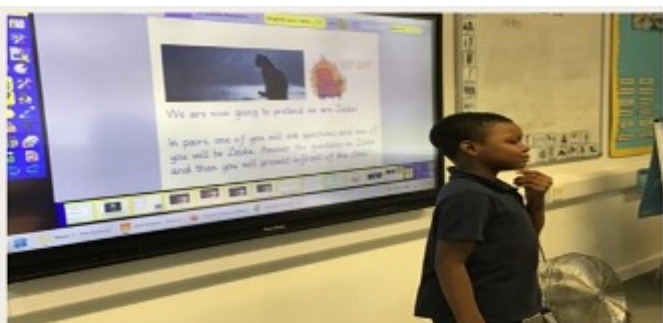


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Our learning in pictures: Year 3



Our learning in pictures: Year 4



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Our learning in pictures Year 5—We have really enjoyed our well being day, and made a lot of great arts and crafts!



Our learning in pictures Year 6

