

### Dear Parents and Carers,

Annabel has published dates of Islington's SENDclass coffee mornings on page 2.

These are incredibly informative sessions run by the Islington SEND advisory service. They are an impartial group funded by Islington who provide invaluable help and support for families with children who have SEND. If you can find the time please drop in.

In the same light Ashmount Together will hold coffee mornings each Friday in the Music room at 9:05 a.m. in the run up to the AGM on Friday 20th March. This is an opportunity to find out how you can help the school raise essential funds in financially challenging times to ensure we can support our community with everything we need. Come along and see how you can help, many hands make light work! (I have included the updated Ashmount Together calendar of events on page 3.)

A reminder that on Tuesday 2 Green will have their class

assembly and we look forward to welcoming parents and carers to see your child's assembly covering their recent learning in the classroom.

I am also including Ashmount Together's poster for the Valentine's disco on Friday 6th February on page 4. This event will run from 3:15 p.m. until 5:30 p.m. do please place it in your diaries.

Finally, an update from Beyza to encourage reading across the school. Islington libraries offer an array of ebooks and eAudio offers for children and adults and all you need to do is enrol your child into one of Islington's great libraries. It's a great free offer, so why not take it up? See page 5 for more details!

**Best wishes,**

**Anthony**

### School Diary Dates

Full school term dates are on our website.

### Educational Visits and Workshops

Thur 29th Jan—Year 2 Judaism Workshop

Fri 30th Jan—Year 6 Neasden Temple

Thurs 5th Feb—Multiplication Check Parent workshop at 9.10am

### Tuesday Class Assembly dates

Tues 27<sup>th</sup> Jan 2 Green

Tues 3rd Feb Reception Blue

Tues 10<sup>th</sup> Feb 5 Green

Tues 3rd Mar 6 Blue

Tues 10th Mar Reception Green

Tues 17th Mar 2 Blue

Tues 24th Mar 1 Green

### Whole School/Ashmount Together Events:

Fri 6th Feb - Valentines Disco

Thur 12th March—Bring An Adult To School Day

### Parent/Child Conferences

Tues 17th March 2:15 p.m.—5:15 p.m.

Wed 18th March

Fri 20th March — Quiz Night

### Tuck Shops Are Back – Bigger & Better!

We're reviving our Tuck Shops with a new monthly format to make them more exciting and better stocked. By running them once a month, we can maximise the offer and bring you more treats, more choice, and more value.

Expect snacks, plus uniform and book sales whenever possible – all while raising vital funds for the school.

What's coming up:

30 January– Beat the January Blues Tuck Shop

6 February – Valentine's Tuck Shop & Disco

Come along, treat the children, and support the PTA – we can't wait to see you there!

# Islington SENDIASS: Workshops & Coffee Mornings



**22nd** Coffee Morning  
Jan 10am-12pm, Lough Road Centre  
Tribunal / General drop in, Lough Road  
Centre



**18th** Understanding your EHCP  
Feb 1pm-.2.30pm, Centre 404,  
404 Camden Road, N7 0SJ



**25th** Workshop  
Feb 10am-12pm, Lough Road Centre



**19th** Coffee Morning  
March 10am-12pm, Lough Road Centre  
Tribunal / General drop in, Lough Road  
Centre

## Contact



[islingtonSENDIASS@ldnlondon.org](mailto:islingtonSENDIASS@ldnlondon.org)

Or register on our website

[ldnlondon.org/IslingtonSendiassService](https://ldnlondon.org/IslingtonSendiassService)

61-71 Lough Road Centre, Lough Road, N7 8FF

No need to book,  
just drop by.



# ◆ Upcoming Events 2026

JAN  
**19**  
8 PM - 9 PM  
*PTA Meeting (online)*

JAN  
**30**  
3.15PM - 3.30PM  
*TUCK SHOP -  
Beat the January Blues*

FEB  
**06**  
3.15 PM - 5.30 PM  
*Valentine's TUCK SHOP  
& DISCO*

MAR  
**06**  
3.13 PM - 3.45 PM  
*Wonka Sale -  
Chocolate TUCK SHOP*

MAR  
**20**  
TBC  
*PTA AGM - voting of  
new committee*

MAR  
**20**  
7 PM - 10.30 PM  
*QUIZ NIGHT -  
adults event*

MAY  
**16**  
7 PM - 10.30 PM  
*BAND NIGHT-  
adults event*

JUN  
**20**  
11 AM - 3 PM  
*Summer FAYRE*

JUL  
**05**  
9 AM - 12 PM  
*Islington Schools  
FUN RUN*



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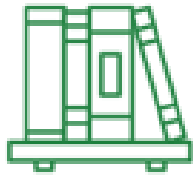
# ***Valentine's Tuck Shop & Disco***

***Treats, Music, Bar & Snacks,  
Dancing, Craft and more....***

***Friday 6<sup>th</sup> February  
3.15 - 5.30pm***

***KS1 Patio, Big & Small Halls***





## eBooks and eAudio

Your library membership gives you free access to eBooks, eAudiobooks, e-comics, e-magazines, online newspapers and other resources.

All you need for eBooks, eAudiobooks and ePicture books are:

- a device to access the app or software from
- a current Islington Library card - if your card has expired, your login may not work
- your library PIN number.

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Read more for instructions on accessing magazines, e-comics and newspapers.

## eBooks and eAudiobooks

There are thousands of [eBooks and eAudiobooks titles to choose from on BorrowBox](#). We have the latest releases for adults, young adults and children.

You can download BorrowBox on a tablet, smartphone or desktop web browser.

- Tablets: iPad, iPod touch, Kindle Fire, Nexus, Hudl or any other tablet using Android.
- Smartphones: Any that run on iOS or Android, such as iPhone or Samsung Galaxy.

You can find instructions on how to set up the account and log on to the service by using our [BorrowBox guidance](#).

## ePicture books for children

Follow the link or scan the QR code to find out more: [eBooks and eAudio](#)



# Chicken Club!

## What is it?

- Chicken Club is a group of amazing volunteers who help care for the chickens over the weekends.

## Who can join?

- Any families with a child currently attending Ashmount school.

## What do we need to do?

- Looking after our school chickens is like having a mini farm adventure. Children get to feed them, let them out to explore, collect fresh eggs, and help keep their hutch clean, all while learning how to care for animals.

## How often would we have to do it?

- The chickens need care every weekend but weekends are divided up between volunteers. You could do it as often or as little as you would like!

## How do I join?

- If you would like to join or have any questions please contact Amy via your class rep or join the what's app group linked below.





# Take a Book Leave a Book



Our free mini-library is full of exciting books for all readers to read, share, take and enjoy! Thank you to everyone who has added to the Pop-up Book Hut so far.

Here's how it works: **simply take a book, leave a book, or swap a favourite** to keep our shelves full of stories for everyone to enjoy. It's a fun and easy way to discover new books and share ones you've loved.

Next time you're in school, stop by the Book Hut and see what treasures you can find!

-Beyza





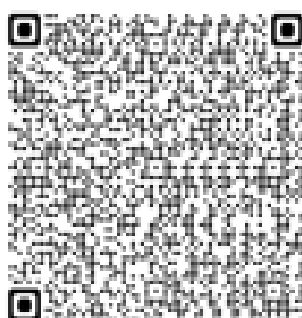
**Spaces available.  
Register before 2<sup>nd</sup> Feb  
to reserve your space**

# Strengthening Families Strengthening Communities

A free inclusive 13 week course to help parents and carers to raise healthy and happy children.

The course will help you to:

- Build positive family relationships
- Manage anger and stress
- Implement effective discipline strategies
- Gain confidence and communication skills
- Understand your child's development
- Recognise and value your family and cultural traditions
- Meet others and share ideas
- To book a place or talk about the programme, please contact: [BrightFutures@islington.gov.uk](mailto:BrightFutures@islington.gov.uk)



- **Scan QR code below  
to link to booking  
page**

**Location: Willow  
Children's Centre  
Date: Monday 12  
January  
Time: 10.00am -  
1.00pm**





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>



# Should I keep my child off school?



## Yes

### Until...

Chickenpox	at least 5 days from the onset of the rash and until all blisters have crusted over
Diarhoea 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

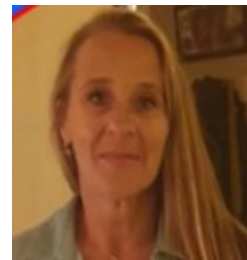


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### Advice and guidance

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

# Annabel's Inclusion Corner



Scan the QR code to always  
access the updated dates

## Speech and Language Advice during these sessions:

Andover Community Centre Thursday, 15th January (10:00 – 11:30am)

Hornsey Road Children's Centre Thursday, 22nd January (2:00 – 3:30pm)

Willow Children's Centre Wednesday, 28th January (10:00 – 11:30am)

North Islington Nursery Tuesday, 3rd February (4:00 – 5:00pm)

Archway Children's Centre Monday, 9th February (10:00 – 11:30am)

## Family Hubs Occupational Therapy drop in sessions at Stay & Play sessions

**Hornsey Road Children's Centre**  
Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> January (2 – 3:30pm)

**New River Green Children's Centre**  
Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> January (9:30 – 11am)

**Bemerton Children's Centre**  
Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> January (1:30-3pm)

**Twilight session at Willow Children  
Centre**  
Friday 30<sup>th</sup> January (4 – 5pm)

**Twilight session at Conewood Children  
Centre**  
Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> February (3:30 – 5:00pm)

**Twilight session at Golden Lane  
Children's Centre**  
Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> February (3:45 –  
5:00pm)

These are also on the Family Information Service (FIS) website, links below (and are updated regularly)  
Speech & Language Therapy: [Find Your Islington | Speech and Language Therapy](#)  
Occupational Therapy: [Find Your Islington | Children's Occupational Therapy advice at Stay and Plays](#)  
Physiotherapy: [Find Your Islington | Little Feet Physio Drop in Session](#)

## NHS London Waiting Room

**London Waiting Room** is a website to help everyone understand the help and support options for mental health and wellbeing. this platform offers a one-stop shop for mental health support in North Central London, with resources for all ages, tools, and information on accessing services.

<https://londonwaitingroom.nhs.uk/>

**No winners this week, let's hope for better lining up next week!**





Congratulations to this week's current most improved speedy timetable answering correct scores over the last seven days.:

**Year 3:**

**Ekram, Leonardo and Delina**

**Year 4:**

**Mikiah, Ovidi and Luke**

**Year 5**

**Mumin, Yusyf Ali and Abdullah**

**Year 6**

**Oliver, Kayden and Ayaz**



Class	Percentage
Nursery	95.2
Reception Blue	97.8
Reception Green	91.8
1 Blue	96.8
1 Green	93.5
2 Blue	94.2
2 Green	95.2
3 Blue	87.2
3 Green	95.9
4 Blue	92.5
4 Green	91.9
5 Blue	97.2
5 Green	96.8
6 Blue	94.0
6 Green	95.8

Our best attending classes this week were:

**Reception Blue, 1 Blue, 3 Green and 5 Blue**

Well done children and parents. These classes will get an additional 5 minutes playtime one day this 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 Nadia, our School Home Support lead, or Katie and Millie at the school office.

# **What we are learning next week:**

## **Nursery:**

English: We will be learning to innovate 'The Three Little Pigs.'

Maths: We will be comparing amounts to 5.

## **Reception**

English: We will be learning to innovate, 'Supertato'.

Maths: We will be adding amounts to ten.

## **Year 1:**

English: We will be innovating a class story based on our story 'Whatever Next.'

Maths: We will be ordering numbers up to 20 and finding which is smallest and greatest

## **Year 2:**

English: We will be planning a newspaper report.

Maths: We will be consolidating our learning on worded problems and then exploring our new topic money.

## **Year 3:**

English: After planning this week, we will start writing our suspense stories inspired by the BFG.

Maths: We will be solving word problems about mass. Then, we will be measuring the volume and capacity of containers in millilitres and litres.

## **Year 4:**

English: We will be writing our own action and suspense story.

Maths: We will be finishing off our work on division and starting to look at Graphs.

## **Year 5:**

English: We will be writing a new innovated story based on our model text 'The Attic'

Maths: We will be comparing and ordering decimals.

## **Year 6:**

English: We will be writing our innovated quest stories inspired by 'Stormbreaker'.

Maths: We will be exploring ratio and proportion.



## Our learning in pictures: Nursery





# Our learning in pictures: Reception



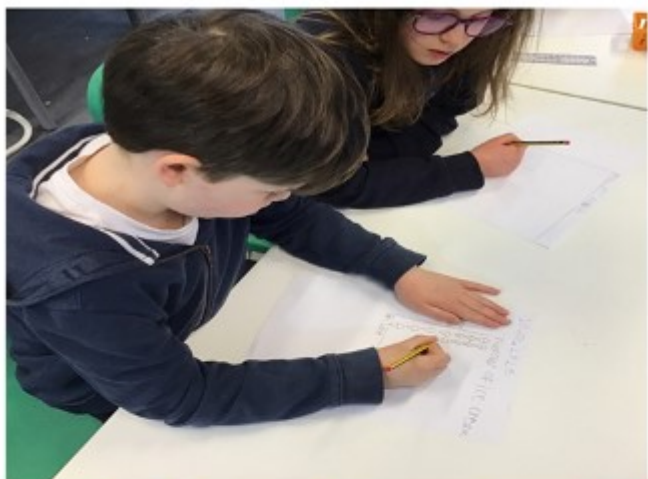


# Our learning in pictures: Year 1





## Our learning in pictures: Year 2



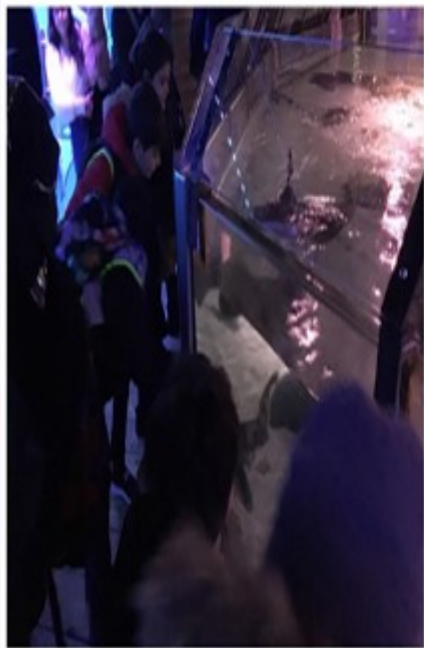
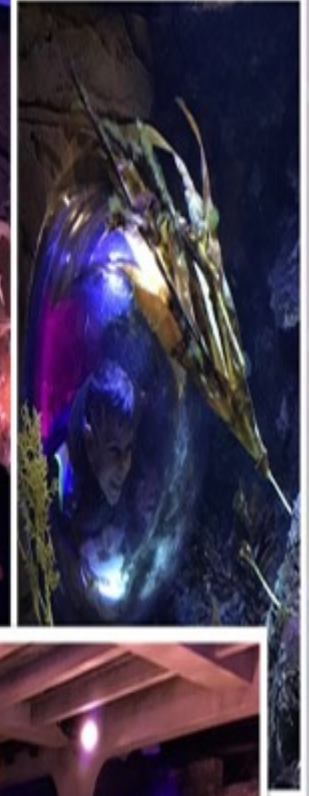
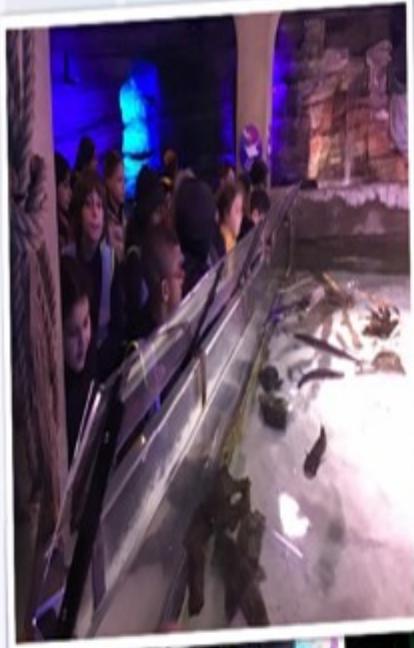


## Our learning in pictures: Year 3





## Our learning in pictures: Year 4





## Our learning in pictures: Year 5





## Our learning in pictures: Year 6

