

Dear Parents and Carers,

A few thank you's before I get on with the main elements of news! Firstly, to Laura who earlier this week prepared and compered the Spring Concert. It was, as ever, a delightful event of music and performance and a huge thank you both to all of the children who performed but also all of the families who came to watch. It takes some commitment to attend sessions week in week out with Laura and thankfully so many of our children do, which leads to such great outcomes!

A huge thank you also to the Year 4 team, Becca, Natalie, Eve, Reece and Sharon who helped out with so many wonderful props for our amazing Year 4 performance of 'Dragon Days'. It's always remarkable how in such a short space of time the staff are able to corral the children into such adept performances. The best tribute I can give is that in Thursday's performance all children sat with rapt attention for an hour! Year 4 you were amazing and the memories you've made this term and the skills you have gained will last a lifetime!

I have added a few calendar dates in the final column on this page and will be adding further dates in our first newsletter after Easter. We will be further changing the format of our communications to try to give you a clearer timeline of our whole school offer and key dates going forward. This is never easy, but we will try to improve how we do this.

With communications still in mind the Annual Parents Survey will remain open until Friday 10th April at 11 p.m. and we would love to hear your views. You can access the survey via this link:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/APSPS25-26>

Or use the QR code below:



I wish also to take this time to thank a few colleagues who have left the school this term. Firstly, to Jack, who due to personal reasons will leave his role as 5 Green's class teacher. Then to Billy, who will leave his Music support role and finally Kiran one of our Year 5 class teachers who has stepped away from teaching after a long term absence. We wish all of the colleagues well and thank them for their commitment to the school during their time with us.

Finally, we wish all of our families a peaceful and restful break and trust that those of you celebrating Easter or Passover have an especially joyous time.

Best wishes,

Anthony

School Diary Dates

Full school term dates are on our website.

Educational Visits and Workshops

Mon 11th May 2 Green Fire station visit

Tues 12th May 2 Blue Fire station visit

Tuesday Class Assembly dates:

Tues 21st April 3 Green

Tues 28th April 4 Blue

Wed 6th May 5 Green

Tues 12th May Nursery

Tues 19th May 1 Blue

Whole School/Ashmount Together Events:

Ashmount Together AGM 17.04 9 a.m.

Thurs 7th May—Class photos

Sat 17th May Band Night fundraiser

Sat 20th June—Summer Fair

Sun 5th July—Islington Schools Fun Run

Thur 11th July—Sports Day

Term Dates:

Summer 1 return:

Monday 13th April 9 a.m.

End of half term:

Friday 22nd May



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WEEKLY GROUP SESSIONS

SATURDAY 10 - 11 AM

CORNWALLIS ADVENTURE PLAYGROUND N19 4LT

GIRLS AGE 6 - 11



- FA PLAYMAKER CERTIFIED
- DBS CERTIFIED



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◆ Upcoming Events 2026

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

MAR
13
7 PM - 10.30 PM
*QUIZ NIGHT -
adults event*

APR
17
9 AM. - 10 AM
*PTA AGM - voting of
new committee*

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*



The Islington Reading Road Map



Short Story Competition

- Write your own original short story for a chance to win!
- Your story can contain characters from a book you have read before, or characters from your imagination.
- We will judge the stories on— Creativity, originality, use of language and imagination

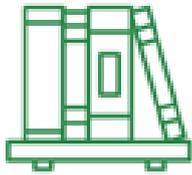
Winners of the short story competition will have their story printed in a book.

That book will appear on next year's Islington Reading Road Map!

The winners and their schools will also both receive a selection of the most popular books from the last 10 years of Reading Road Maps to celebrate the 10th anniversary of the Reading Road Map!

How to enter

- The competition is open to any child in Key Stage 2 and is free.
- The story submitted must be original (not copied).
- **The competition closing date will be Friday 24th April 2026.**
- **Entries can be submitted electronically to the following email address – els@islington.gov.uk OR handed into Beyza (6 Blue) by Thursday 23rd April 2026.**
- No more than 500 words
- Spelling, punctuation, and grammar will NOT be taken into account. Winning stories will be re-typed with the correct spelling, punctuation and grammar.
- The winners will be announced at the Reading Road Map author event in June/July 2026.



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

-Beyza





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
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>.

Annabel's Inclusion Corner



Dear Parents and Carers,

April is World Autism Acceptance Month and at Ashmount we will be celebrating this throughout the month.

I will launch an assembly with EYFS/KS1 and then KS2 to raise awareness and acceptance.

Teachers will be provided with lesson plans and a range of activities for their classes.

Please support us with WAAM 2026. (see attached flyer)



Eight-week inclusive sessions for children aged 4 years and over with SEND and their families. Enjoy supported lessons, and free play with qualified teachers. Just £40 per family.

Where: Cally Pool & Gym

When: Saturdays Time: 1.15pm - 2:15pm.
(see attached flyer for QR code)



This week's lining up winners are: KS1- 2G and KS2:4B - Well done to these classes!

Spring Term overall winners are: 2G and 5G. Fantastic job and they will each receive a prize after Easter.



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

Year 3 - Sydney, Alfie K., Eliana

Year 4 - Gracie-Rose, Luke, Masha

Year 5 - Juliette, Nylah, Samuel

Year 6 - Oliver, Joss, Hawa

Class	Percentage
Nursery	97.7
Reception Blue	96.7
Reception Green	85.6
1 Blue	88.6
1 Green	90.3
2 Blue	85.2
2 Green	89.2
3 Blue	90.3
3 Green	88.5
4 Blue	93.0
4 Green	97.0
5 Blue	97.8
5 Green	91.6
6 Blue	96.4
6 Green	93.5

**Our best attending classes this week were:
Nursery, 1 Green, 4 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:

If you need support with attendance contact Katie and Millie at the school office.



What we are learning next week:

Nursery

English: We will be immersing ourselves into our new story 'Emma Jane's Aeroplane' by Katie Hayworth.

Maths: We will be linking objects to their cardinal number.

Reception

English: We will be exploring our new text, 'The Jolly Postman' by Janet & Allan Ahlberg.

Maths: We will be learning about 3D shapes.

Year 1:

English: We will be exploring our new text 'Meerkat Mail.'

Maths: We will be beginning our new topic, Multiplication

Year 2:

English: We will be exploring our new class text 'Rockabilly Island' and learning to text map.

Maths: We will be consolidating our learning of 3D shapes.

Year 3:

English: We will be starting a new topic, exploring a new writing toolkit for recounts.

Maths: We will be learning how to create and interpret pictograms and bar graphs.

Year 4

English: We will be exploring our new model text and will be learning about information texts.

Maths: We will be looking at tenths and hundredths as we continue to explore decimals.

Year 5:

English: We will be exploring our new persuasive text, Sandy Cove.

Maths: We will be exploring our new unit on measurement.

Year 6

English: We will be exploring a new non-fiction text on 'How Volcanoes Erupt'

Maths: We will be describing positions of shapes and drawing them on a coordinate grid.

Our learning in pictures: Spring Concert



Our learning in pictures: Nursery



Our learning in pictures: Reception



Our learning in pictures: Year 1



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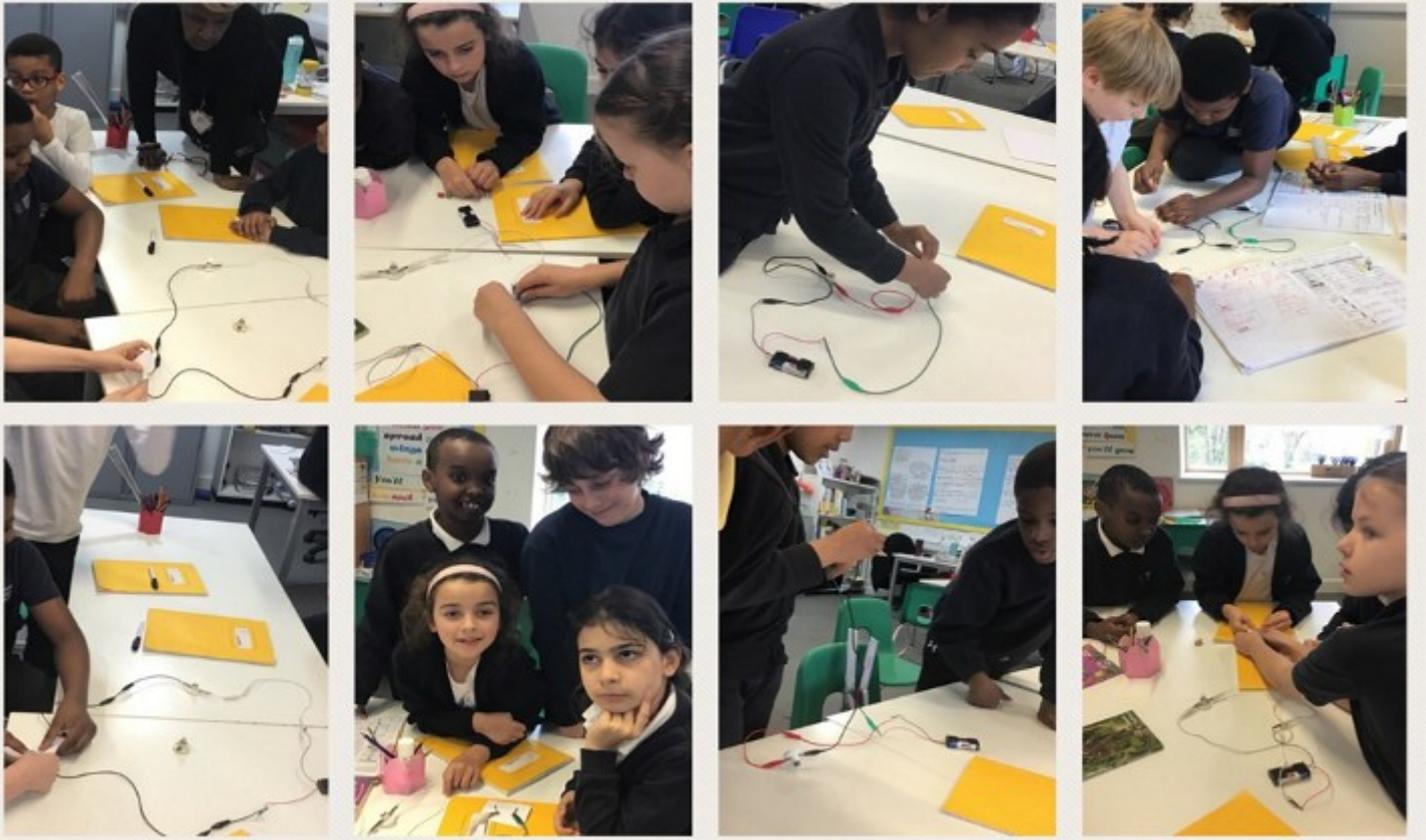
Our learning in pictures: Year 2



Our learning in pictures: Year 3



Our learning in pictures: Year 4



Our learning in pictures: Year 5



Our learning in pictures: Year 6

