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# Ashmole Newsletter



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FRIDAY 3RD MARCH 2017

## Attendance

10/02 - 02/03/17

R - 96.8%

Y1 - 95.7%

Y2 - 97.7%

Y3 - 97.0%

Y4 - 97.5%

Y5 - 97.7%

Y6 - 97.2%

Whole School  
 05/09/16-02/03/17  
 95.7%

TARGET = 96.9%

## Stars of the Week

24/02/17

N - Cruz & Jack

R - Elliot & Magenta

Y1 - Michael & Zahra

Y2 - Clayton & Firo

Y3 - Oscar &  
 Santavalent

Y4 - Jevon & Kaya

Y5 - Alissa & Elaisha

Y6 - Boluwatife & Lazuli

03/03/17

N - Kaiqi & Nicholas

R - Ali & Azyraia

## Book Parade

03/03/17

N - Isla

R - Roman

1 - Eddie

2 - Nina

3 - Junade

4 - Harris

5 - Poppy

6 - Hary & Lazuli

## Book Aid Collection

Thank you for your generous contributions which raised over £100 for Book Aid. Ashmole pupils are helping to ensure that Article 28 (the right to education) from the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child is enacted for all children.

## Ashmole Book Week

Learning to read and becoming a lover of reading is one of the most important things that pupils do at Ashmole.



Throughout the whole year, we promote the enjoyment of reading but our book week is a time

when we plan even more exciting reading activities. This year we have focused on poetry. Pupils have enjoyed book quizzes, story treasure hunts, a visit from a professional poet, composed their own poems, performed poems in class, listened to stories read by visiting pupils and staff members.



Well done to everyone who dressed up as characters from favourite books and stories today and a huge thank you to the many parents who came along to support the assembly.



## Poetry Performance

To celebrate the work our pupils completed during book week, parents and carers are invited to pupil poetry performances next week. EYFS - Thursday 9th March 2:50pm and KS1 & 2 Friday 10th March 3:00pm.

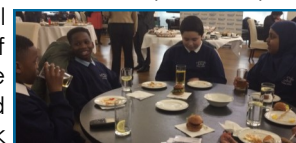


## Evening Standard School Awards



A small group of Ashmole staff and pupils were invited to the offices of the Evening Standard on Wednesday 22nd February. We were delighted to receive the award for Outstanding Achievement in Challenging Circumstances which is recognition of the fact that in 2016 the academic progress of Ashmole pupils was in the top 3% nationally after being judged by Ofsted to 'require improvement' only two years ago and that all pupils, regardless of their backgrounds,

achieve the very highest standards. Pupils enjoyed a drinks and canapes reception and raised their glasses in a toast to the whole school community. The award was presented by the Secretary of State for Education, Justine Greening, who praised the work of the school. A tour of the Evening Standard newsroom followed and the Ashmole Argus team look forward to writing about their visit in the next edition. The managing editor of the Standard, Doug Wills, wrote to the School following the event to say, "Once again may I wish you and your pupils the very best for the future. You certainly impressed us all and I am certain the pupils will go on to do terrific things... possibly journalism!"



## Term dates 2016-17

### Spring term 2:

Easter break:

### Summer term 1:

Half term break:

### Summer term 2:

### Start

Monday 20 February

Monday 3 April

Tuesday 18 April

Monday 29 May

Monday 5 June

### Finish

Friday 31 March\*\*

Monday 17 April

Friday 26 May\*

Friday 2 June

Friday 21 July\*\*

\* End of half term = usual finish time of **3.30pm** with EDC for those registered

\*\* End of full term = finish time of **2.00pm** with NO EDC

School CLOSED: Thu 1 & Fri 2 September, Friday 14 October & Friday 17 March (staff INSET);

Monday 1 May (Bank Holiday)

## 2 Week Planner

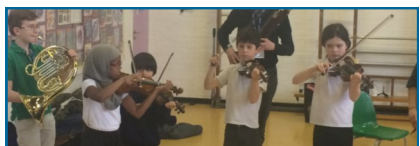
(items in blue open to parents/carers)

Mon 06/03	Tue 07/03	Wed 08/03	Thu 09/03	Fri 10/03
Year 6 early bird class 8-9 Year 1&2 Pottery 3.30-4.30	Year 6 early bird class 8-9  Year 1&2 Multiskills 3.30-4.30 Year 5&6 Orchestra 3.30-4.30	Year 6 early bird class 8-9 Year 1&2 Gymnastics 8-8.45 Ferndale football 6 a side (KO 3.00pm) KS2 Martial Arts 3.30-4.30	Year 6 early bird class 8-9 Year 3&4 Orchestra 8-8.45 Year 5 to Kia Oval (pm) <b>EYFS Nursery Rhyme Performance 2.50</b> KS2 Tennis 3.30-4.30	Year 6 early bird class 8-9 KS2 Gymnastics 8-8.45 <b>KS1 &amp; KS2 Poetry recital 3.00-4.00</b>
Mon 13/03	Tue 14/03	Wed 15/03	Thu 16/03	Fri 17/03
<b>Parent teacher meetings this week</b> Year 6 early bird class 8-9 Year 1&2 Pottery 3.30-4.30	Year 6 early bird class 8-9 Year 1&2 Multiskills 3.30-4.30 Year 5&6 Orchestra 3.30-4.30	Year 6 early bird class 8-9 Year 1&2 Gymnastics 8-8.45 KS2 Martial Arts 3.30-4.30	Year 6 early bird class 8-9 Year 3&4 Orchestra 8.00-8.45 Year 5 to Kia Oval (pm) KS2 Tennis 3.30-4.30 <b>Parent teacher meetings late evening (8.00)</b>	<b>School Closed (Staff INSET)</b>

### Year 3 Music Violin Workshop



Year 3 pupils who take part in our instrument tuition programme with London Music Masters enjoyed a creative workshop day last week linked to their topic of 'Space'. Pupils composed their own pieces and learnt to make soundscapes with their instruments based on the different concepts and vocabulary linked to their classroom learning.



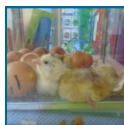
### Music is Everything!

Many of our Key Stage 2 pupils will be performing on stage at The Royal Festival Hall on Saturday 4th March at 5pm. You can book free tickets for 'Music is Everything!' on the LMM website.

### INSET Day

School is closed to pupils on Friday 17th March for staff training.

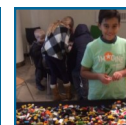
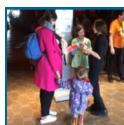
### Life Cycles in Early Years



Pupils in nursery and reception classes have thoroughly enjoyed learning about life cycles over the past fortnight. Their learning has all been based on their experiences of watching chicks hatching from eggs and charting their growth. They have been encouraged to use language specific to the topic with increasing accuracy and have completed writing, drawing, reading and counting activities based on their observations. Pupils particularly enjoyed handling the chicks and noticing the daily changes in their appearance.

### Imagine Children's Takeover

Well done to the Year 5 pupils who represented the School as part of the Takeover Team at The Southbank Centre during half term. Pupils ensured the smooth running of a range of events and supported families who were there to enjoy the festival.



### Parent & Teacher Conference Meetings

Meetings are scheduled to take place during the week commencing 13th March. Please contact the school office or speak to your child's teacher if you have not yet received an appointment slip.