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Ashmole Newsletter



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Attendance

05/09 - 15/09/16

R - 94.8%

Y1 - 92.1%

Y2 - 92.4%

Y3 - 96.6%

Y4 - 94.0%

Y5 - 92.6%

Y6 - 93.3%

Whole School
05/09-15/09/16
93.6%

Stars of The Week

Class teachers and teaching assistants nominate two pupils each week who have stood out for making positive contributions to the life of our school.

Stars of the Week 09/09/16

N - Adriana & Leo
R - Bobby & Zara
Y1 - Adrian S & Jamila
Y2 - Clayton & Safaa
Y3 - Angela & Oscar
Y4 - Bessie & Nathaniel
Y5 - Ainhoa & Ayesha
Y6 - Hary & Justen

Stars of the Week 16/09/16

N - Latreece & Riley
R - Folu & James
Y1 - Kelly & Natali
Y2 - Josephine & Oliver
Y3 - Emma & Marli
Y4 - Gisele & Keon
Y5 - Matthew & Poppy
Y6 - Caydan & Lazuli

Welcome Back



Ashmole staff enjoyed welcoming pupils back to school last week. A special welcome to parents and carers of pupils new to the school. We have enjoyed getting to know your children over the past two weeks and seeing so many of you at the start and end of the school day. As expected, behaviour for learning is outstanding and pupils have made very positive starts to their new classes. Staff have asked for their thanks to be passed on to families for the kind words and gifts that they received at the end of last year. We are looking forward to another year working in partnership with you to provide the best outcomes for your children.

Parent View Survey

Many of our families completed the OFSTED parent view survey at the end of the summer term last year. The School expects to be visited by OFSTED this year and your views are a valuable contribution to the judgements of the inspection team.

97% of parents agreed that: their child is happy at Ashmole; their child is taught well; their child is well looked after; their child makes good progress; the school makes sure that its pupils are well behaved; the school is well led and managed.

97% of parents would recommend the school to another parent.

You can see the full results of the survey (and complete the 2016/17 survey) at

www.parentview.ofsted.gov.uk

Collection of Pupils

Thank you for your support to help us implement a new system for the dismissal of pupils in Key Stage 2 at the end of each day. By having children lined up in the playground, teachers are more aware of which pupils have been collected and by whom. They are also more visible should you wish to speak with them at the end of the day



Pupils in EYFS and Key Stage 1 are still collected from the classroom door. Staff are authorised to dismiss pupils to adults that you have named on your child's contact form. If you would like to authorise another adult to collect your child you must speak to the class teacher and/or contact the school office. Siblings must be aged 16 or over to collect EYFS and Key Stage 1 pupils.

Please ensure that the school office has any updated contact details particularly if you have recently changed your telephone number.

PSA MacMillan Coffee Morning



The Ashmole PSA (Parents and Staff Association) will be holding a coffee morning on Friday 30th September between 9:00am and 10:00am in the school hall. In addition to raising money for MacMillan, this is a great opportunity to meet other parents and carers and find out how you can support other PSA events throughout the year.

Parents and carers are invited to donate cakes for the event which can be brought in to school on the day. You will be able to make a contribution for drinks and refreshments and all money raised will go to the MacMillan cancer charity. We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible on Friday 30th.

Term dates 2016-17

Autumn term 1:
Half term break:
Autumn term 2:
Christmas break:
Spring term 1:
Half term break:
Spring term 2:
Easter break:
Summer term 1:
Half term break:
Summer term 2:

Start
Monday 5 September
Monday 24 October
Monday 31 October
Monday 19 December
Tuesday 3 January
Monday 13 February
Monday 20 February
Monday 3 April
Tuesday 18 April
Monday 29 May
Monday 5 June

Finish
Friday 21 October*
Friday 28 October
Friday 16 December**
Monday 2 January
Monday 10 February*
Friday 17 February
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 19/09	Tue 20/09	Wed 21/09	Thu 22/09	Fri 23/09
Year 5&6 Pottery 3.30-4.30 Year 6 meeting re secondary transfer (5.00- 5.30)	Year 5&6 Gymnastics 8.00-8.45 Year 1&2 Multiskills 3.30- 4.30 Year 5&6 Orchestra 3.30- -4.30	Year 1&2 Gymnastics 8.00-8.45 Shakespeare workshop (4xYr 6) at Wyvil (3.30-5.00) KS2 Martial Arts 3.30-4.30	Year 3&4 Orchestra 8.00-8.45 Year 5 to Kia Oval (pm)	Year 3&4 Gymnastics 8.00-8.45 Phonics workshop for Year 1 parents/carers 9.15-9.45, repeated 5.30-6.00
Mon 26/09	Tue 27/09	Wed 28/09	Thu 29/09	Thu 30/09
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Pupils' Birthdays



During our Friday assemblies, we acknowledge pupils' birthdays and they receive an Ashmole Birthday Certificate.

Do not feel obliged to bring cakes in for your child's birthday but if you choose do so, please ensure that there are enough for all of your child's classmates. They will be given out at the end of the day and must be either individual cakes or pre-cut and wrapped. This is so that they can be easily distributed at the end of the day. Staff cannot cut and wrap birthday cakes that are brought in to school.

Extra-Curricular Clubs

Extra-curricular clubs for pupils in Key Stages 1 and 2 begin next week. Please contact Ms Sewell in the school office if you have any questions about clubs.

School Uniform Footwear

Thank you to the vast majority of parents and carers who have ensured that their children are wearing the correct uniform. Black school shoes must be worn by all pupils (closed toe pumps or sandals and plain black trainers without coloured logos or laces are acceptable). Shoes with heels or open toes are not allowed.



Wyvern Federation Consultation



Parents and carers will have the opportunity to find out more about the proposed federation between Ashmole and Wyvern (Wyvil and Vauxhall Primary Schools) on Tuesday 27th September at 9:10am in the school hall. Christopher Toye, Executive Headteacher, will be available to take questions.

Hanover Gardens Gate

The Hanover Gardens Gate will be open between 7:50 and 8:05 Tuesday to Friday to allow pupils and parents access for early morning clubs and classes. The school can also be accessed by the Triangle gate from 7:45.

Pupil Outcomes

Please find attached to this newsletter the provisional information relating to pupil outcomes which will be published nationally.

Each year, the government publishes information about the achievement of pupils at schools across England. The attainment and progress scores are used to assess a school's effectiveness. At Ashmole, we also hold in high regard our pupils' attainment in, and enjoyment of, music, sports and the arts. We commission a number of expert providers and have established partnerships with world class organisations to ensure that our pupils receive the best opportunities to experience a broad and balanced curriculum. More information about this important part of school life will be found in future newsletters.

On this page you will find information about how well pupils achieve at the end of each phase of their learning at Ashmole compared to other pupils locally and nationally.

Early Years Foundation Stage

Pupils are assessed at the end of Reception in different areas of learning. Pupils are assessed as working towards, working at or exceeding in each area of learning. A 'Good Level of Development' (GLD) indicates that a pupil is working at the expected standard or exceeding the expected standard in all areas.

Good Level of Development	Ashmole	Lambeth	National
2016	89%	69%	69%
2015	70%	63%	66%
2014	55%	56%	60%

Year 1 Phonics Screening Check

This table shows the percentage of pupils working at the expected standard in the Phonics Screening Check. Phonics is an important part of how pupils learn to read.

Phonics	Ashmole	Lambeth	National
2016	93%	84%	81%
2015	92%	82%	77%
2014	76%	79%	69%

End of Key Stage Assessments (Key Stage 1 & Key Stage 2 National Curriculum Tests)

2016 saw the introduction of a new test and assessment system based on a new curriculum. The expected standard is considered to be more challenging than in previous tests. Consequently, comparisons with previous years will not be published nationally.

These tables show the percentage of pupils who demonstrated that they were working at the expected standard. Pupils are assessed in reading, writing and maths. RWM indicates pupils achieving the expected standard in all three subjects.

Pupils' test scores are converted to a scaled score. A score of 100 and above means the pupil is working at the expected standard.

In Key Stage 1, pupils working well above the expected standard are assessed as working at 'Greater Depth'. In Key Stage 2, the 'Greater Depth' standard is referred to as a 'high level of attainment.'

In addition to pupils meeting the expected standard, a measure of their progress from Key Stage 1 to Key Stage 2 is also published.

KS1	Ashmole	Lambeth	National
Expected Standard in Reading	88%	78%	74%
Expected Standard in Writing	81%	72%	66%
Expected Standard in Maths	85%	76%	73%
Greater Depth in Reading	35%	25%	24%
Greater Depth in Writing	19%	16%	13%
Greater Depth in Maths	31%	20%	18%

KS2	Ashmole	Lambeth	National
Reading	93%	78%	74%
Writing	93%	72%	66%
Maths	93%	76%	73%
RWM	86%	62%	53%
'High level of attainment' in RWM	14%	8%	6%
Average 'scaled score' in reading	106	104	103
Average 'scaled score' in maths	107	105	103
Average progress score - reading	4.9	A score of 4.6 and above is in the top 5% nationally.	
Average progress score - writing	4.9	A score of 4.4 and above is in the top 5% nationally.	
Average progress score - maths	4.8	A score of 4.3 and above is in the top 5% nationally.	