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Ashmole Newsletter



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Attendance

05/12 - 15/12/16

R - 95.4%

Y1 - 93.2%

Y2 - **98.2%**

Y3 - 97.8%

Y4 - 95.4%

Y5 - 96.6%

Y6 - 97.9%

Whole School

05/09-15/12/16
 96.0%

TARGET = 96.9%

Merit Certificates

09/12/16

1st Merit Awards

- Y1 - Abdulahi, Imran, Aaliyah, Ezequiel
- Y2 - Gbemileke, Isaiah, Kory, Lamar, Maya, Melissa, Safaa, Shiori
- Y3 - Beatriz, Jacob, Junade, Malak, Santavalent, Sophie
- Y4 - Adam, Amari, Dominique, Gisele, Hangyul, Harris, Jennifer, Kaya, Kayla, Montana, Oscar
- Y5 - Poppy, Thaniya, Rufus, Andre, Adam, Alissa, Henock
- Y6 - Chukwunwike, Samira, Boluwatife, Caydan

2nd Merit Awards

- Y1 - Hannah
- Y2 - Anna
- Y3 - Richard, Oscar
- Y4 - Junior, Leo
- Y5 - Adeleke, Harry, Sophie, Innes
- Y6 - Yusra, Sihan, Mohamed

OFSTED Outstanding

WE are delighted that the OFSTED inspection report has been published in time for us to share it with you before the end of the year.

Copies will be sent home to all families and will be available on the School and OFSTED websites soon.

Thank you for all of your support.



Nativity Performance

Well done to our fantastic performers from EYFS and Key Stage 1 who dazzled us with their performance of the nativity story, 'It's A Baby' on Thursday. Thank you to parents for providing costumes and thank you to the Ashmole staff team for ensuring that the experience was so enjoyable for our pupils. The end of the Autumn Term is always a busy time in school with plenty of additional events taking place and watching our youngest pupils perform for the school community makes it all worthwhile. Thank you to parents who made donations for mulled wine, mince pies and photos of their children in costume.

Robotics Tournament

Year 6 pupils Caydan, Mohamed, Reinhardas and Sihan gave star performances at a STEM tournament this weekend, showcasing their robot programming skills at the First Lego League tournament at the American School in London on Saturday 3rd December, bringing home a trophy for best work with a mentor. The pupils demonstrated their abilities in: verbal and visual presentation; problem solving; collaboration and the on-camera timed Lego Robot matches in the theatre. They were delighted to make new friends



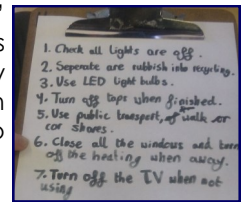
from three of the other Wyvern Federation schools: Vauxhall, Herbert Morrison and Wyvil.

Eco Project



Year 5 and 6 pupils welcomed a group of volunteers from QBE who

led a series of workshop activities about how Ashmole can become even more environmentally friendly. This work linked to their curriculum topic of 'Environmental Footprints' and the pupils will now develop an Ashmole Eco Policy.



Violin Concert & Orchestra Performance

Our end of term music concerts are always well attended and this year was no exception. All pupils participating in our instrument tuition programme - almost 100 pupils - performed pieces that they have been working on this term. We were delighted to have our new violinists and cellists from Year 1 performing for the first time.



Pupils in Key Stage 2 have also been taking part in Orchestra sessions this term which take place before and after school. They performed some particularly complex pieces including Saint-Saens' Dance Macabre and excerpts from Vivaldi's Four Seasons. Pupils have further developed their skills in listening and organisation to successfully play in larger groups.



Term dates 2016-17

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 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 16 December**
 Monday 2 January
 Friday 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 02/01	Tue 03/01	Wed 04/01	Thu 05/01	Fri 06/01
Public Holiday	Start of Spring 1 term No LMM lessons or extra-curricular clubs this week	Year 6 tutoring class 8-8.45	Year 5 to Kia Oval (pm)	
Mon 09/01	Tue 10/01	Wed 11/01	Thu 12/01	Fri 13/01
Year 6 IntoUniversity Week Happy School Bag textile recycling collections LMM lessons resume this week Year 1&2 Pottery 3.30-4.30	Year 5&6 Gymnastics 8-8.45 Year 6 IntoUniversity Week Happy School Bag textile recycling collections Year 1&2 Multiskills 3.30-4.30 Year 5&6 Orchestra 3.30-4.30	Year 6 tutoring class 8-8.45 Year 1&2 Gymnastics 8-8.45 Year 6 IntoUniversity Week Happy School Bag textile recycling collections Ferndale football 6 a side (KO tbc) KS2 Martial Arts 3.30-4.30	Year 3&4 Orchestra 8.00-8.45 Year 6 IntoUniversity Week Happy School Bag textile recycling collections Year 5 to Kia Oval (pm) KS2 Tennis 3.30-4.30	Year 3&4 Gymnastics 8-8.45 Year 6 IntoUniversity Week Yr 4 swimming begins

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from everyone at Ashmole Primary School.

Theatre Trips

Thanks to the fundraising efforts of the Ashmole PSA and the generosity of the whole parent community, all Ashmole pupils enjoyed a trip to the theatre this term. EYFS and KS1 pupils watched 'Boing!' at The Unicorn Theatre and KS2 pupils enjoyed 'Babe, the Sheep Pig' at The Polka Theatre. Thank you to the parents and carers who accompanied us on these trips which were a fantastic way to end a very busy term at Ashmole for our pupils.



Holiday Homework

Some teachers have provided information so that pupils can research the topics they will be studying next term. Homework is optional during this holiday because socialising with family and friends, playing games together and having time to relax during the holidays is so important. We look forward to seeing pupils refreshed and ready to learn in January.



Carol Singing at Oval Tube Station

Thank you to our brilliant violinists and our parents who were in fine voice for a performance of Christmas Carols at Oval Tube station. The music put a smile on the faces of weary commuters who donated £420 for the Ashmole School fund. A particular thank you to Matt and Roseanne from LMM for giving up their time to lead the group.



Christmas Lunch

Over 180 Christmas lunches were served by our brilliant kitchen team on Wednesday 14th December. Children enjoyed turkey with all the trimmings, crackers and hats.



Happy School Bag Recycling

The School will be raising funds by taking part in the Happy School Bag recycling scheme in January. Please see the letter sent out to all families on Monday 12th December and the school website for more information about which textiles can be recycled and when they should be sent in to school.



Spring Term

Ashmole reopens to pupils on Tuesday 3rd January at 9:00am. Please ensure that booking forms for breakfast and after school clubs are completed and payment is made before the new term. Extra curricular clubs and LMM lessons will recommence during the second week of term.



DfE Performance Tables

The Department for Education online performance tables have now been updated. Ashmole ranks 2nd when compared to 125 similar schools.

