

Head Teacher's Message

I am delighted that the Barnet Planning Committee approved the building of our permanent school. It was a great result with a unanimous vote in our favour. Thank you to everyone that has supported the school over the last few months and to those that were able to make the committee meeting. Your presence certainly made a huge impression, along with the vocal support, the badges made by Mrs Hatwell and all your fantastic banners. I would also like to thank Mr Halai for representing the parents over the last few months and to Mr Scott for speaking so eloquently on behalf of all the parents. I have been overwhelmed by the support you have all given and I sincerely thank you for that.



I would like to say a huge thank you to all the Ashmole Primary PTA (APPTA) and parent helpers who have given up their time during recent weekends to paint the main fence and all the tyres. Your time and efforts are very much appreciated by all the children and staff . This has made our playground colourful and adds a great feeling to it with all the other additional resources we have purchased . We will continue to enhance the area and always ensure that our children have an excellent outdoor play area. Thank you to everyone who has met the class teachers at Parent Consultations. It is great to give you feedback on your child's progress and attainment so far. We also value all your feedback in the Comment slips. We are so pleased with the amazing progress the children have made since September. As we continue to work together, the pupils will continue to grow in confidence and be more than prepared for their next year of education at Ashmole. Our recent Challenge Consultant visit reinforces the fact that the pupils are making very good progress. The teaching and learning continues to be of a very high standard. Thank you all for your tremendous support.

We look forward to seeing you all this Saturday 1st April from 2.30pm-4.30pm at our International Food Event which will be held at Ashmole Academy Hall. This will be a great celebration for all.



Book Week

The children had a lovely week celebrating this special occasion. The staff were very busy planning lots of activities for the week that helped to encourage the children to build on their love of books and reading. During the week there were many exciting activities and events around the school and within the classroom.



We were delighted to welcome the award winning children's author Swapna Haddow, writer of the fantastic 'Dave Pigeon' series to our school on Thursday 2nd March. Swapna read to the children and led a workshop, which was a fantastic experience for everyone.

All our pupils and staff came to school dressed as their favourite book character on <u>Friday 3rd March.</u> An expert panel of judges chose the girl and boy with the best costume from each class, to receive a book related prize. The winners were:





Serena and Maxi - Calypso Class



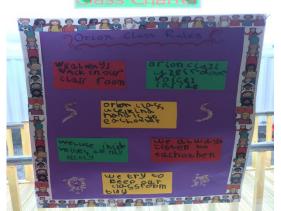
Evie and Laurence – Orion Class

Class Charters in Reception

Both Reception classes have created new class charters. The children have worked together to generate their own class rules to ensure a safe and happy classroom.

They have worked together to make a 'Class Charter' display.





This is displayed in a prominent place in each classroom, to remind the children how we should all behave, to ensure we get the most out of our time at school.

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Permanent Building Update

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I am pleased to announce that Morgan Sindall won the tender for the permanent school building. We have a very busy time ahead with the first meeting of the Ashmole Primary School Project Team taking place next Thursday, 6th April. Building work is likely to start this July 2017 with a completion date of July 2018. The plans for the temporary buildings will still go ahead as planned for Year 1.

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As part of a daily Maths lesson incorporating shapes and areas, the children were taken onto the field to draw pictures of what they thought their new school building would look like. We may even have some budding architects on our hands!

As well as monthly newsletter updates, we hope to hold regular meetings with you to keep you fully informed with the development. As always, thank you for your continued support.

Afterschool Clubs

We have made full use of the recent good weather and taken the children onto the field for play and activities.

If your child attends tennis, football or drama, please ensure they have a snack with them – **NO NUTS PLEASE**.





Red Nose Day

All of the children came to school dressed in red and were given a Red Nose in return for $\pounds1.00$. We raised an amazing $\pounds82.00$ – this money will go towards making a real difference both here in the UK and across Africa. Thank you!

Update Pupil Reports for Parents

Following our Parent Consultations we are pleased to give you a Report Update for your child. This is a Mid Year Report that includes your child's achievements in Communication and Language, Literacy, Mathematics, Physical Development as well as Personal, Social and Emotional Development. Next steps in all of these five areas are also included. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact the class teachers: Miss Panayi or Miss Costas. Thank you.

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People Who Help Us

'This half term we have being learning all about People Who Help Us. The children have met a solider, police officers and a doctor! They even had the chance to explore some real police tools as well as a police car. We plan to meet even more exciting People Who Help Us in the near future.'



New Staff

We welcome Mr Ambrosi who has started his new role as Caretaker for the Primary School. Mr Ambrosi will be around the school site at the start and end of the day and will help with general maintenance of the site. We wish him well in his new job.



Singing

Thank you very much to Mrs Pocock who has been helping our children to learn new songs and preparing the children to perform at our International Food Event on Saturday 1st April from 2.30pm till 4.30pm.

Volunteers

Our parent volunteers and our helpers at Ashmole Primary School have been amazing. The children's reading continues to progress and the extra reading sessions certainly help. Thank you!



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JOB VACANCIES

Higher Level Teaching Assistant Early Years or KS1 Primary/ Cover Supervisor

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Point 26 - 29 - Actual Salary - £21,034 - £23,167

36 Hours per week – Term Time

Ashmole Academy Trust was formed in 2015 building upon the success of Ashmole Academy and its tradition of outstanding school performance. The trust currently consists of a Primary and Secondary School and has future expansion plans. The Trust has a motto that 'excellence is a habit' and seeks to achieve this in all that it does.

We are a brand new Primary School which opened in September 2016 for our first Reception cohort. The school is a two form entry school with classes from Reception up to Year 6; when pupils will carry on into Secondary education at Ashmole Academy.

As part of our expansion we are looking to appoint four Early Years or KS1 Primary Higher Level Teaching Assistants. Under the direction and supervision of teaching staff, the successful candidate will provide learning support and assistance to pupils in and out of the classroom (including possible Breakfast and After School Clubs, on a rotational basis). The successful candidate will work in the Early Years or KS1; be experienced in observing and assessing children as they learn through play and be responsible for supervising classes during the absence of teaching staff.

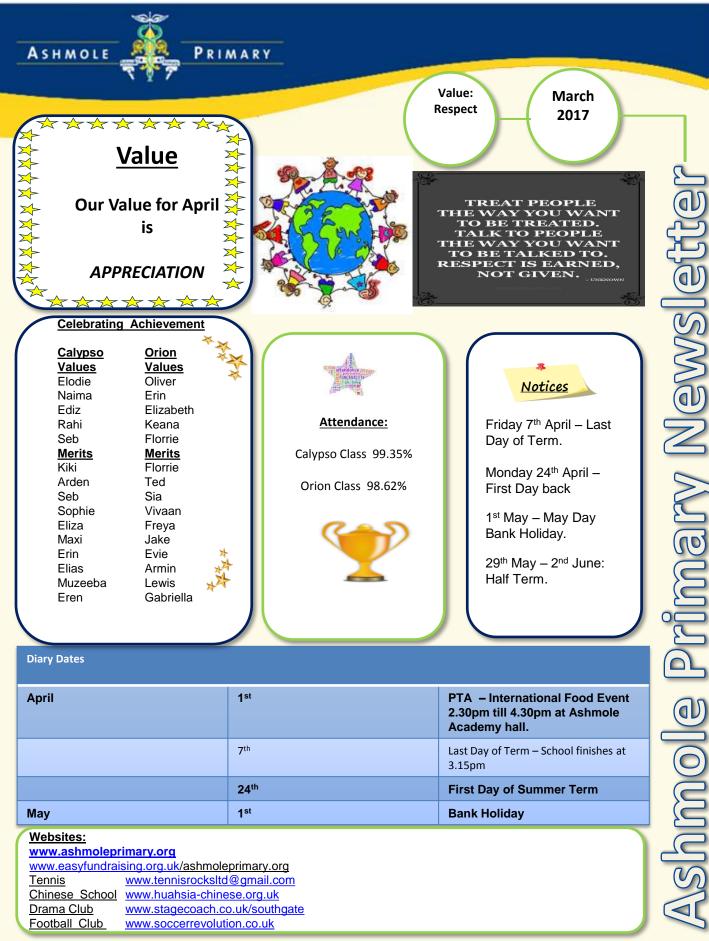
This is an exciting opportunity to join a new and developing Primary School and would be suitable for someone who is looking to develop their career or a graduate who is considering a career in teaching and the School Direct Programme.

Please visit our website www.ashmoleprimary.org for further details of the school and to download an application form. Please email your completed application form and supporting letter to age@ashmoleacademy.org

Closing Date for applications: Tuesday 25th April 2017

Ashmole Academy Trust is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.

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