



Message from the Head Teacher

As another year draws to a close, I would like to take this opportunity to thank each and every one of you for your continued support during this academic year. Thank you to my staff for their tremendous work ethic and dedication, the governors for their passion and commitment and most of all the children for their love of learning and the energy they bring into school each day.

We have enjoyed another brilliant month at Ashmole Primary School. Thank you to Miss Powell and Foundation Sports for organising the wonderful Sports Day events and thank you to the many parents and carers that came along to support the children. Well done to all the children and the winning teams in each group who all received a special medal. Thank you to Miss Popova for organising an amazing Culture Day with a fabulous picnic on the field for all.

Thank you to Mrs Kamal-Uddin for organising a fantastic Art Week. Everyone had so much fun and the artwork that the children created is amazing! The week ended with the Year 4 Punk Fashion Show which was enjoyed by all.

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate the Year 6 pupils on their fantastic achievements this year in their KS2 SATs results. The results at Ashmole Primary continue to be exceptionally high: I will share the school data with you all in due course.

It was lovely to see so many of you at our recent Open Day. I hope you got to see all of the fabulous work that the children have done throughout the year as well as meeting their new teacher for next year. Please join us in the Autumn term for the 'Meet the Teacher Meetings' - please look out for the dates under 'Diary Dates' at the end of this newsletter.

As always, thank you to our team of amazing volunteers that have supported our school again this year. If you would like to volunteer at our school next year, please contact Mrs Andrews - office@ashmoleprimary.org

Please be reminded that from September 2024, the drop off/pick up car park zone will only be available for parents with a Blue Badge/Disability, as the council are consulting with residents to block off Summit Way during school peak times. We encourage everyone to walk, scooter or cycle to school whenever possible. If any of our September 2024 Year 6 pupils would like to walk independently to and from school - please ensure you notify the school office in writing. Please be reminded that no mobile phones are allowed for our pupils so if any child walking has such a device, they must hand them in to the school office for the day.

The new academic year will see some staffing changes as we say goodbye to members of staff and welcome new staff.

Finally, while we never expect it, my staff and I are so grateful for your kind words and gifts at the end of term. I wish you all a relaxing summer break and look forward to seeing you all and welcoming our new Reception cohort in September.

With my very best wishes.

Mr Tofallis
Head Teacher



Message from the Chair of Governors

Congratulations on another year of exceptional primary education - Of fostering a love of learning. Of children being kind, helpful, respectful and polite. Always trying their best and being proud of themselves - and having so much to be proud of both academically and socially. Of treating others as you would like to be treated. And, not forgetting, to have fun all the way along!!

I can assure you that my fellow governors and I are also proud of seeing our school community continue to develop and flourish. This is a huge team effort, incorporating the time, hard work and expertise of all members of the school community. I want to pay tribute to the Parents and Teachers Association, the Governing Body and of course the staff of the school, led by Mr Tofallis and his leadership team. I know that everyone is dedicated to seeing our school continue to thrive, taking the opportunities presented by the expansion of the Ashmole Trust.

This year, we have been delighted to welcome new governors: Dale Wightman, Nitsa Sergides and Roopesh Ramakrishnan. Each bringing very strong and varied experience and expertise. I also wanted to thank our existing governors, some of whom have been stalwarts from the start. We bring curiosity and challenge that is constructive and genuine. We don't overcomplicate and we care about what matters. With that attitude and application, balanced with the strength of the school leadership and the community, we are ready to take on 2024/25. Bring it on!

Finally, thank you all for the part you play in maintaining the positive and purposeful community here. I wish you all a brilliant summer and a successful start to the next academic year.

Philip Cohen
Chair of the Governing Committee

Barnet Healthy Schools Award Celebration

On Wednesday 3rd July, Mr Tofallis and Miss Costas attended the Barnet Healthy Early Years and Schools Celebration Event at Hendon Town Hall.

We have been working with Healthy Early Years and Schools London to improve children and young people's wellbeing. The programmes focus on a whole school approach to various areas of health such as healthy eating, emotional health and wellbeing and physical activity.

Activities and achievements have included:

- Menu changes following analysis to comply with School Food Standards and to provide healthier options
- An increase in children brushing teeth twice a day through oral health initiatives and training of staff
- Introducing healthy cooking sessions and growing fruits and vegetables to cook with
- Focus on staff wellbeing and the work environment
- Using the SMILE portion trays to increase uptake of fruit and vegetables at lunch
- Improving the emotional wellbeing of pupils to manage day to day challenges, resolve conflict with peers and develop into resilient young adults

The celebration event recognised the achievements and hard work that schools have undertaken to gain their awards.

The awards were presented by the Mayor of Barnet, Cllr Tony Vourou, staff shared some examples of best practice in their settings, and some of the pupils gave their own accounts of what being part of the programmes had meant to them - and helped lead a waka waka movement break to get everyone up and moving!





Reception

We can't believe just how fast this year has gone! The children have all had an excellent start to their time at Ashmole and are all now very well settled into their school. We have had an exciting end to our school year, with busy events such as Sports Week, Arts Week and International Day. The children have really enjoyed participating in all of these activities and have been super excited throughout them all. All of the children in Calypso and Orion have made FANTASTIC progress this year and we could not be more proud of them all. We are so excited to continue to hear about their progress throughout Year 1. We hope you all have a lovely summer holiday and we look forward to seeing you in September!
Miss Powell, Miss Popova, Mrs Tibbs, Miss Warden and Miss Chauhan



Year 1

This month we became athletes and artists. For Art week, the children have been busy creating art based on the topic 'All about me'. The children drew around their silhouette and then decorated it with all of their favourite things. We ended our Art Week with a special Cultural Day, where we enjoyed learning about everyone's culture and religions within Luna Class. We cannot believe that we have come to the end of Year One. It has been wonderful to see your children learn so much and grow in confidence as the year has progressed. We recently created our individual memory wheels where each member of the class wrote and drew their favourite memories. Looking back, it's unbelievable how much we have explored and learnt. The children listed their favourite memories, including the trip to Brunswick Park and London Zoo. They all very much enjoyed the Music Festival, our Victorian play, Science week and of course the amazing ducklings. It has been a pleasure to teach your children and we have very much appreciated all the support that you have given to all staff across the year group. We know that the children will continue their love of learning and flourish in Year 2. Have a wonderful summer break. Miss Burke, Miss Linden and the Year One Team





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Year 2

Welcome to the last newsletter of the year!! I think we can all agree it's been an absolutely incredible year, and we will be so sad to see such a lovely year group move on from our classrooms.

July has been an exciting month for the children. They have had the opportunity to reflect on the year they've just had, celebrating their achievements and successes. They've also had a sneak peak at the year ahead when they met their new teachers who can't wait to welcome them in September.

In Literacy, the children wrote letters to their new teachers. They introduced themselves by stating their names and birthdays and also included an interesting fact about themselves so their new teacher can get to know them better. They then also included questions that they wanted to know about their new teacher too. Hopefully Mrs. Pavlou and Mrs. Beth will be able to answer them all!!

The Year 2 WOW day was an amazing day! The Freshwater theatre company really delivered with a high energy, high impact show that thrilled the children as they were led on a journey of discovery to the Americas. They then jumped straight into making picture frames and clay boats, and painting portraits! These priceless pieces of art should be with you now, and I'm sure they are in their rightful places adorning walls and mantelpieces in all your homes 😊😊😊.

Sports day was a smashing success! And although the Blue Sapphires took the medals home that day, ALL the children competed like champions!! Well done to everyone for participating and giving their best efforts on a day of fun and feel good activities.

There have been so many highlights of the year: our camp day, burning our Great Fire of London houses, our Florence Nightingale, dinosaur and Columbus Wow days, our trips to St. Andrew's church, the V&A and Natural History Museums, the Chickenshed theatre, the winter and summer fairs and all the countless lessons and learning opportunities we've covered this year. But, it's difficult to think of another event as memorable as the end of year assembly!! The children worked tirelessly learning their lines, acting positions, song lyrics and dance moves for what seemed like an age. But the climax and reward of all that hard work was the unforgettable show seen by so many of you. I'm sure you will all join me in congratulating the children on such a brilliant performance, and a brilliant year!! Well done to one and all!!

And finally, all that remains is to thank each and every one of you for your support, patience and kindness this year. To wish you and your children a wonderful and restful summer holiday filled with sunshine and happiness. And of course, we wish your children all the very best in Year 3, and we hope for nothing more than a bright and brilliant future for every single one of them.

All the very best,
The Year 2 team.



Year 3

Year 3 have been super busy this month! During Art Week we created our own mosaic books in line with the theme 'All about me', where we completed different drawings that highlight our interests. We have also enjoyed being creative and drawing our own self portraits. We had lots of fun during Sports Day and we tried really hard to complete all of our activities to the best of our abilities. In D&T we have been busy designing and creating our own packaging for chocolate and evaluating our work to highlight what we could improve on. In Computing we have been looking at surveys and we have enjoyed understanding how surveys work to complete our own surveys using Google Forms. We had lots of fun during our Egyptian WOW day where we got to understand how the Egyptians lived in more detail. Well done for all of your hard work this year, Year 3! You have been phenomenal and we hope that you manage to have a super restful Summer break! 😊





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Year 4

July has been an action-packed month for Year 4! We kicked off with an unforgettable sleepover filled with games, cooking apple crumble, and creating our tents to sleep in.

During Art Week, Year 4 embraced a vibrant punk theme, with students exploring block printing, photography, and graphic design to create stunning, edgy portraits now displayed throughout the school. As a grand finale, Year 4 put on an amazing fashion show, showcasing the tie-dye textiles and punk-themed designs they have been working on throughout this term. The children displayed remarkable confidence with minimal guidance. Well done to all!

We also bid a heartfelt farewell to Mrs. Kumar, who leaves us to spend more time with her family. Her dedication and passion for teaching have left a lasting impact, and she will be greatly missed.

Wishing everyone a wonderful summer break and looking forward to seeing you all refreshed in September!



Year 5

As the school year draws to a close, we reflect on the incredible journey our Year 5 students have had. It has been a year filled with excitement, growth, and memorable experiences. One of the highlights was our residential trip to Hastings, where students explored the historic town, visited the beach, and learned about its rich history. Our weekly swimming lessons were a tremendous success, with students making significant progress and gaining confidence in the water. Year 5 also participated enthusiastically in various subject-themed weeks, each bringing a unique learning experience. For example, the children enjoyed meeting new authors during Book Week, creating fantastic abstract art during Art Week, participating in exciting experiments during Science Week and working on their teamwork skills during Sports Week! As we wrap up this school year, everyone in the Year 5 team would like to send a huge congratulations home to all the Year 5 students for their hard work, determination, and positive attitude, which have made this year truly special. We are incredibly proud of all that you have achieved. We wish you all the best as you move on to Year 6. Continue to embrace new challenges, stay curious, and always strive to do your best. Have a wonderful summer, and we look forward to seeing your continued growth and success in the new school year.

With best wishes,

The Year 5 Team 😊





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Year 6

Year 6 have had an incredibly eventful end to their final term at Ashmole Primary! They have been striving so hard to memorise their lines and cues in preparation for what was an epic performance of 'The Young Inventors Club' On top of this, our SATs results were recently published and the overall outcome was phenomenal! We are extremely proud of the commitment everyone put into their preparation and the way they handled themselves during the assessment week. We have also had our final taster-sessions at the Academy - getting an insight into how secondary school does PE. This was highlighted by the fact that we got to see some real sportsmanship and excitement by the 2024 Sports Day. Overall, it's been a truly epic adventure and we wish the Y6 pupils good luck for the future!

SHOWTIME



Ashmole Primary Newsletter



Year 6 Leavers Message from Mr Tofallis

Dear Year 6 leavers, I wanted start by telling each and every one of you know how proud I am of you all. Your exemplary behaviour and commitment throughout your time at Ashmole has been nothing short of spectacular.

Your school journey began in our humble portacabins, but this did not deter you from striving for greatness. You have always been an exceptionally kind and empathetic cohort and this is clear for everyone to see.

You have had an incredibly eventful end to your final term at Ashmole Primary! You have been striving so hard to memorise your lines and cues in preparation for what was an epic performance of 'The Young Inventors Club'. Unfortunately, I was unable to attend the evening performance due to my own son's graduation, but I understand that you all did an amazing performance. Thank you to our Head Boy, Aaryan B and Head Girl Sophie A for their fantastic speeches; you really did prove yourselves to be worthy of the Head Boy and Head Girl title and why your classmates voted you to be Head Boy and Head Girl. We are very proud of you both.

Your school journey does not end here, please continue to strive for greatness, remember to always be kind, but most of all, have lots of fun along the way! I know that most of you are continuing your journey within the Trust, and some of you will be going further afield, but our doors will always be open to you all; please come back and visit us any time.

Overall, it's been a truly epic adventure and we wish our class of 2024 the very best of luck for the future!

Mr Tofallis
Head Teacher





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Breakfast and After School Club

At BASC, in the last month of this academic year, we have focused on Summer. Children had lots of fun creating beautiful artwork relating to the seaside. However, we also spent as much time outdoors - enjoying the sunshine! We had our last competition of the term. This time, children were creating book marks. Mr Tofallis chose 3 winners, but every child was awarded for their great efforts!

We would like to take this opportunity to wish all Year 6 pupils every success for the future in their new Secondary Schools. We are also saying goodbye to two members of our staff - Ms. Magda and Ms. Gosia. We wish both of them the best for the future. Have a safe and relaxing summer and we look forward to seeing you all in September.

Best wishes
Mrs Urso-Baiarda





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Summer Writing Challenge!

The Summer writing challenge is **BACK!!**

Over the summer holidays, you have the opportunity to take part in the summer BBC writing challenge where you can write a creative story in 500 words or less. Stories must be written by individuals and not as a group, be a child's original ideas, be written in prose and be under 500 words. Stories will be submitted to the BBC after the holidays and will be judged on characterisation, plot, originality, language and enjoyment. Each story which is submitted will be entered into a random draw and one child will be invited to the final along with their parent/carer. They will receive a bundle of books and their school will receive 500 books. The winners will be revealed on World Book Day, Thursday 6th March 2025. Entries open on Tuesday 24th September and must be submitted online via [500 Words \(bbc.co.uk\)](https://www.bbc.co.uk/500words) and requires parental consent. Please bring in a paper copy and hand to Miss Macdonald also.

Good luck and have a fantastic summer!

Miss Macdonald
English/Writing Lead

Eco-Warrior Winners

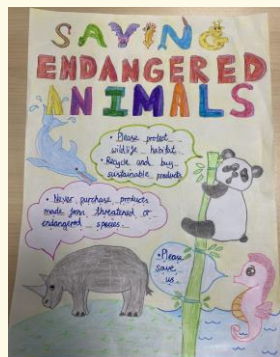
Another year for the Eco-warriors has passed and I would like to take this opportunity to say congratulations to all this year "warriors" on a great year!!

Well done to everyone who entered the Eco-warrior poster competition! There were so many amazing entries it was almost impossible for Mr Tofallis and myself to pick a winner!

So, we picked 5!!!

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OUR WINNERS

Anna Year 5 Aquila



Bella Yr. 1 Nova



Rory Yr. 2 Carina



Ella Yr. 3 Astra



Elida Yr. 1 Nova





Sports Week

We had a fantastic Sports Week this year! The children were able to choose a sporting activity of their choice out of Gymnastics, Rounders, Netball and Dodgeball. The children mixed with others from different classes and year groups to engage in an exciting sporting session with a teacher. Well done to all of the children for taking part and a huge congratulations to those in Blue Sapphires who won in both sessions. The children all had an opportunity to explore and race in our Adventure Course. Finally, we ended the week with the KS2 Sports Days. We would like to say well done to all of the children again for taking part and demonstrating excellent sportsmanship throughout. Huge congratulations to Blue Sapphires who won in the Year 3 and 4 Sports Day and Red Rubies who won in the Year 5 and 6 Sports Day.

As the year comes to a close, we reflect on the sporting achievements that have happened this year and look forward to accomplishing even more next year! We will continue with our Year 6 Football Teams (trials will take place in September so please look out for information regarding this in the new academic year!), our Netball Team, Cross-Country Events and Athletics Competition. We are hoping to get a place in the actual London Mini Marathon next year, so I will keep you posted in regards to this amazing opportunity for our aspiring runners!

I am sure that we were all disappointed that England did not win the Euro's this year - but what a weekend of finals we had with Wimbledon and the Euro's! Well done to Alcaraz and Spain on their excellent achievements last weekend. We are now looking forward to the Olympics!

Have a great sporty summer.
Miss Powell 😊





Results Summary

Sports Day House Points Summary:

Reception:

Red Rubies - 42 points
Yellow Diamonds - 54 points
Blue Sapphires - 117 points
Green Emeralds - 61 points

Key Stage One:

Blue Sapphires - 147 points
Red Rubies - 146
Yellow Diamonds - 115 points
Green Emeralds - 134 points

Key Stage Two (Year 3 and Year 4):

Red Rubies - 120 points
Blue Sapphires - 166 points
Green Emeralds - 147 points
Yellow Diamonds - 253 points

Key Stage Two (Year 5 and Year 6):

Red Rubies - 177 points
Blue Sapphires - 126 points
Green Emeralds - 152 points
Yellow Diamonds - 121 points

End of Year House Points Summary:

Congratulations to the Green Emeralds for obtaining the most House Points this summer term and for the whole year!

Summer Term House Points:

1. Green Emeralds - 29 points
2. Blue Sapphires - 25 points
3. Red Rubies and Yellow Diamonds - 22 points

Overall House Points Results for 2024:

1. Green Emeralds - 97 points
2. Red Rubies - 89 points
3. Blue Sapphires - 76 points
4. Yellow Diamonds - 72 points

Well done to all the children for all your efforts this year!

Overall Sports Day Results for 2024:

1. Blue Sapphires - 556 points
2. Red Rubies - 484 points
3. Yellow Diamonds - 441 points
4. Green Emeralds - 494 points





Diary Dates

Date	Time	Event
2 nd	All day	Staff Training - INSET Day
3 rd	All day	Staff Training - INSET Day
4 th		First day of the Autumn Term
4 th - 9 th	All day	Reception Class Home Visits during this time
September/October 5 th September 6 th September 9 th September 10 th September 11 th September 12 th September 13 th September 16 th September 17 th September 18 th September 19 th September 20 th September 10 th October 11 th October	9am	Meet the Teacher Meetings in the Hall - as follows: Y6 Andromeda with Mr Bonallo Y6 Pavo with Mr Evaghoras Y5 Vesper with Miss Macdonald Y5 Aquila with Mrs Kamal Uddin Y4 Apollo with Mrs Leo Y4 Cosmo with Miss Muse Y3 Astra Mrs Pavlou Y3 Lynx with Mrs Beth Y2 Lyra with Mrs Bennett and Mrs Joyce Y2 Carina with Miss Sudo Y1 Nova with Miss Linden Y1 Luna with Miss Popova Reception Calypso With Miss Powell Reception Orion with Miss Burke
Further diary dates to follow over the Summer!		

Diary Dates September 2024

Celebrating Achievement

Well done to all the children that have received an achievement award this month. We are very proud of you all.

Values Competition

Thank you to all our pupils who have followed the value of the month and worked hard to be top role models. Our Value for July was Independence and the winner is Kaan in Year 6. There is a £5 book token for the winners each month and our value for September is Honesty.



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Reminders

Lost Property

If your child has lost any of their belongings, please speak to their class teacher or take a look through the lost property benches that are located outside the school office.

THIS SCHOOL IS
NUT FREE



THANK YOU
for keeping our school safe!

We are a **NUT FREE** school. This also includes Sesame Seeds. Other banned items include, Pesto, Kinder Bueno, Peanut Butter and other nut spreads, including Nutella.

Keeping Children Safe

For your information, our Designated **Safeguarding** Officers are:

Miss Costas - Designated Safeguarding Lead

Mrs Toal - Deputy Safeguarding Lead

Mr Tofallis - Deputy Safeguarding Lead

Our School Safeguarding Policy is available to view on our website:

www.ashmoleprimary.org

School Uniform

Please be reminded that pupils should be wearing uniform as per our Uniform Policy <https://www.ashmoleprimary.org/page/?title=Uniform&pid=26> Girls should be wearing appropriate footwear and **not boots**. Pupils should also be wearing the correct Ashmole Primary PE kit. School coats should be black or navy ONLY and hairbands should also be school colours.

Belongings

Please remind your child to bring all of their belongings with them at the beginning of each school day. It is extremely time consuming for the office staff to distribute belongings such as coats, musical instruments, packed lunches, snacks, after school kits, water bottles etc. Thank you for your support.

Lettings and Hall Hire

A variety of facilities at Ashmole Primary school are available for hire to clubs and organisations, both in the evenings and at weekends. Facilities include a hall, a 5-a-side football/ basketball/ netball/ multi-use games area (MUGA) and outdoor space. In certain circumstances classrooms may also be let for educational activities. We are also happy to take bookings for birthday parties etc. Please contact lettings@ashmoleacademy.org for more information. Thank you.