

**Head Teacher Message:**

Welcome back after the Easter Break. I hope you all had a restful holiday. We have an exciting Summer term ahead and are looking forward to being housed in our new building in September. The children continue to make fantastic progress in class and I am extremely grateful for all your support. Our 'Walk to School' scheme has been a great success and the children have enjoyed 'earning' badges for their efforts – not only does this have a huge impact on their physical well being but on the environment too. For those families that are not able to walk or cycle to school, please continue to park considerately and safely outside the school. Our visit from Jackie Cousins, Challenge Consultant, went very well and we look forward to receiving her feedback very soon. I am pleased to welcome three new members of staff to our breakfast and after school club team: Mrs Kafizas, Mrs Rajendram and Mrs Christophers. Lastly, please may I remind you that it is really important for children to arrive to school on time. When children are late to registration, it is very disruptive to the whole class. If your child is late to school for any reason, you must report to the school office. If there is a problem in getting to school on time, please feel free to come and speak to me. Many thanks as ever for your continued support.



As part of our school travel plan initiative, Year 1 received cycle training from The London Borough of Barnet School Travel Team. They were taught basic cycling techniques and learned how to look after their bikes. The instructor was so impressed by the number of children who could already cycle. Thank you to Mr Ioannou and Mrs Gilbert for leading the training.





Buildings Update

The new Primary School building continues to grow and all meetings continue to highlight that everything is on track. The building has really started to take shape and it is wonderful to see. We can even see the windows now being installed!

We hope you like the regular updates from Morgan Sindall in their monthly newsletter.



Outstanding Payments for Breakfast and After School Club

Thank you to those parents who continue to make regular payments into your Parent Pay account. If you pay using childcare vouchers, these will now be updated on a weekly basis. If your account is in debit, please make sure it is bought up to date as soon as possible. If you have a problem with your account or would like to discuss anything, please speak to Mrs Andrews in the school office. Many thanks



Recruitment

Our recruitment drive for September continues and we will shortly be advertising the following vacancies:

- HLTAs
- TAs
- 2 Mealtime Supervisors
- 1 Cleaner

If you are interested in applying or you know someone who may be interested, please speak to Mr Tofallis.

Breakfast and After School Club from September 2018:

Opening Times:

Monday to Friday 7.45am – 8.50am- Breakfast Club £5 per pupil.

Monday to Friday 3.15pm – 5.45pm- After School Club £10. Term time only.

Breakfast will stop being served at 8.30am.

There will be up to a maximum of 40 places available for Breakfast and After School Club.

This governor agreement follows parent consultation and balancing the demand for the service and the sustainability of staffing.

Prices remain competitive and reasonable. The costs will also be easier to calculate with the standard payments of £5 and £10 for the clubs respectively which allow parents the flexibility to have their children in the After School Club for the whole session until 5.45pm.



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Class News



In Orion Class, the children are confidently exploring the physical resources in the outdoor area. They are finding new ways to climb and travel using the equipment.



In Calypso class, the children have enjoyed playing with the outside sandpit and developing their drawing skills.



In Luna Class we have been learning about place value and developing our problem solving and reasoning skills by working with partners to answer questions practically.



In Nova Class, we have also been learning about place value and have enjoyed working as a team to develop our problem solving skills.





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Value of the Month

Our Value for
May
is
Excellence



Attendance

Calypso Class 99.37 %

Nova Class 98.47 %

Orion Class 98.57%

Luna Class 97.70 %



Celebrating Achievement



Year 1

Luna Class

Merit Awards

Ayaz
Keana
Jake
Malaika

Value Award

Elizabeth
Keana

Nova Class

Merit Awards

Ediz
Lily
Maxi
Kleo

Value Award

Henry
Ediz

Orion Class

Merit Awards

Alexander
Freya
Tolu
Nathaniel

Value Award

George
Mishika

Calypso Class

Merit Awards

Aaira
Zachary
Tanishka
Avash

Value Award

Anoushka
Raffy

Reception



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APPTA News

Ashmole Primary PTA

by supporting APPTA, you are supporting Ashmole Primary

Dear fellow Parents and Carers,

Who is the PTA?

We are Mums and Dad's, just like you who meet up regularly and liaise with the teachers on how we can raise money, and bring our community together.

You're all welcome to join us at our meetings, the first Tuesday of the month, at 7pm in the Academy's training room.

What do we do?

We get together and share ideas for how we can run events, and create a sense of community for the children, parents and staff of Ashmole Primary School. The money we raise goes towards items identified by the teaching staff which will benefit the children.

Events the PTA has run:

- Mothers Day Pop Up Shop
- Happy Bag Recycling
- Coffee mornings
- International Food Day
- Winter Fair
- Face Painting, we have a group of Mums who have been taught how to face paint so they can work their magic on our children at our events.

So far this academic year, we have spent £2010 on reading books, £236 on recorders, and this term we have assigned £2,500.00 for playground activity games and further items required by the teaching staff.

Looking ahead, our big goal is to provide two climbing frames for each of the playgrounds in the permanent building, which could cost up to £10,000 each.

Dates for your diaries:

Summer Fair, Saturday 23rd June - we need everyone to volunteer, either in helping with preparations in advance, or on the day.

Father's Day Pop Up Shop, Thurs 14th June - in the playground at 0800, and after school until 1700.

Own Clothes Day, Friday 8th June - each child to bring in a jar filled with sweets and tiny toys, in exchange for wearing own clothes.

Happy Bag Recycling collection, Thurs 7th June. Bring bags of clothes and shoes to the school.

Coffee morning, Mon 14th May, 9am at Chunk Of Green cafe, Ashfield Parade. We are trying to vary the days of our coffee mornings, and the location so that we can give parents who work, the opportunity to come along. We've held previous coffee mornings on Thursdays and Fridays.

HOW YOU CAN HELP WITH THE SUMMER FAIR?

- Save soft toys or teddies for the summer fair's 'Teddy Shy'
- Save used school uniform for a sale at the summer fair
- Donate a raffle prize worth over £20 or help get a business to donate one
- Advertise your business in our Summer Fair booklet. Prices are £25 per quarter page advert, £35 half page, £50 for full page.
- Would you be happy to have an estate agents board outside your property? Send your class rep address if you haven't already.

Things to know/ other ways to help raise money:

Match funding - most of the major banks, retailers and supermarkets will donate money if it's employees have helped at an event.

Does your business do this? We've had £2000 in match funding from Barclays which employs a parent, and an additional company donated £1067 at the request of another parent employee.

Gift aid - if you pay tax, and donate money to the PTA, by completing a gift-aid form, we can get extra money from the tax office.

Grants - some companies offer grants to charities. One parent arranged for £500 to be donated via her company.



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Diary Dates

May	7 th	All day	May Day Bank Holiday
	14 th	9am-11am	Hearing and Vision checks for Reception
	25 th	3.15pm	Last day of half term
June	4 th	8.50am	First day of half term
	7 th	AM	APPTA Happy Bag Clothes Collection
	8 th	All Day	Non uniform for Summer Fair
	w/c 11 th	All Week	Phonics Screening Check – Year 1
	15 th tbc	All Day	Paradise Wildlife Park (Reception only)
	23 rd	tbc	APPTA Summer Fair
July	4 th	PM	Sports Day tbc
	6 th	All Day	Inset Day – School Closed to pupils
	9 th	4pm - 6pm	Open Day for Reception and Y1
	12 th	9am – 11am	End of Year Show - tbc
	17 th	12.45pm	End of Term – School closes at 12.45pm



www.ashmoleprimary.org

www.easyfundraising.org.uk/ashmoleprimary.org

Tennis

Chinese School

Drama Club

Football Club

Yoga

www.tennisrocksltd@gmail.com

www.huahsia-chinese.org.uk

www.stagecoach.co.uk/southgate

www.soccerrevolution.co.uk

www.tattybumpkin.com/winchmorehill

Useful websites!