



## Head Teacher's Message:

Dear Parents and Carers

I hope you all had a wonderful half-term break. This half term is always very busy with lots of exciting things planned for the children especially in the run up to Christmas. The recent Parent Consultations went extremely well and I would like to thank those of you that have completed the Parent Comment Forms - we are always grateful for your feedback and value your opinion hugely.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your kind food donations for our Harvest Assembly. All food donations will be taken to our local Food Bank to help people who are less fortunate than us. Thank you to Mrs Toal for organising this and for the participation of the school choir along with Mrs Pocock.

The children have enjoyed some fantastic recent events which were organised by the PTA. A huge thank you to our wonderful PTA for organising these wonderful events. These included discos and a movie night!

This term we will be saying goodbye to Mrs Deniz, a Reception Teaching Assistant, who will be leaving Ashmole Primary next Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November. Mrs Deniz has been with us since the very beginning and will be missed by everyone. We wish her every success in her future endeavours. We warmly welcome our new full time Caretaker, Mr Constantinou who has settled into his new role very well over the last two weeks. We have also appointed a new cleaner - Miss Kidrowicz, who will be working with us in the mornings and afternoons each day. In addition to this we welcome Mrs Man as one of our new Lunch Time Meal Supervisors.

Next week we have organised a very exciting African Drum Workshop for all our children on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November. On that evening we will also be holding our APPTA AGM at 7pm in the school hall. We have organised a Global Cyber Day workshop for all our parents on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> November at 9am in the hall with KPMG International. We hope that everyone enjoys this exciting half term.

Best Wishes

Mr Tofallis  
Head Teacher



## Reception News



Orion Class have settled really well into school life and we have really enjoyed learning all about Black History Month. Reception have focused on the history of the Notting Hill Carnival and have had lots of fun taking part in some activities. They each created their own carnival mask and we listened and danced to traditional steel drum music. The children had lots of fun using colourful streamers to create their own dance moves!

October has been a great month in Calypso Class! The children are now enjoying more structured carpet times. They have more recently been challenged to work in small groups during Maths and Phonics lessons. It has been lovely to see their team work skills progress well during these activities. The children are now becoming used to listening to the ideas of others and considering these, as well as their own ideas.



## Year 1 News



Luna Class have had a great October! In Science, we have been learning more about our five senses and how we use our senses to explore the world around us. We conducted an experiment using our sense of taste and tasted different foods that were sour, sweet, bitter and tangy. In DT, we have learnt all about a balanced diet and we used our understanding to design a healthy snack. Then, we made our snacks and tasted them. In October we also achieved 100% attendance and so we explored using the ropes, wall bars and gymnastics equipment as our special treat. We were very excited about our trip at the end of the October to learn more about portraiture.



In Nova Class we explored why our bodies need to be healthy and sorted foods into the five food groups. We discussed what a balanced diet is and why it is so important. Using what we had learnt we designed and made our own healthy snacks. We then evaluated them and thought about how we could improve them next time.







## Year 2 News



We have had such a great month, so many busy days learning and having fun.

We finished our wonderful art unit using textiles to create a class collage of inner and outer London, can you see the green and grey we used, with the Thames flowing through the middle?

We've been working hard in Literacy too, diary writing based on the Great Fire of London and then instruction writing. We wrote instructions on how to make a jam sandwich. And then we got to eat them, yummy!



Carina Class have had lots of fun this month! We loved watching the re-enactment of 'The Great Fire of London', where our 17th Century model buildings went up in flames! We have also enjoyed taking photos of buildings in our local area and editing them back at school. In our Art lessons we have worked hard to create a class mural of inner and outer London using a range of materials and different techniques such as: twisting, curling and knotting. We can't wait to learn even more next half term!



## Year 3 News

Astra class have loved learning about Ancient Greece. They spent a few weeks learning about the Gods, the Myths, the architecture and the way of life. In Maths, we have started learning about Roman Numerals. We spent time discussing where the children have seen them and how to use them to find different numbers. They even had a go at making some of their own using lolly sticks!



Lynx class had a fabulous start to the month of October. We have been making Ancient Greek pots in Art, which the children have highly enjoyed. In Maths, we have been focussing on Roman Numerals and learning how the Ancient Romans used letters to represent numbers.



We have absolutely loved learning about our environment and how plastic affects our seas, land and forests. We were extremely lucky to have the Waste Warriors come and visit us and explain how human actions are affecting the environment and what we can do at Ashmole Primary to make the world a better, sustainable and cleaner environment for future generations to come.



## Latest news and events

### Thank you

We would like to give a special mention and thank you to Mr and Mrs Patel (Amaya, Ria and Tia) for donating some geography books to our school library and classes recently. Also, thank you to Aryan B in Nova Class for donating two footballs to our PE equipment and to Liyana in Carina Class for donating some book vouchers to our library. Your generosity is greatly appreciated. It is lovely to see our parents and children donating items for school use when it is someone's birthday as opposed to bringing in cakes. All your gestures are greatly valued.

A huge thank you to Mrs McDowell for covering the position of Caretaker over the last two months. Mrs McDowell will now be the Breakfast and After School Club Manager and will help to liaise with parents and carers on all matters concerning the club. In addition to this Mrs Mittins will be available in the school office in the day to deal with any other admin issues. Our Breakfast and After School Club email is [basc@ashmoleprimary.org](mailto:basc@ashmoleprimary.org) The mobile contact number is: 07754 669407 Thank you to Mr Voskou for all his hard work with the Breakfast and After School Club. He will now be focussing on working as an SEN Teaching Assistant in the classroom, but will still be working within the Breakfast Club each day.

### Remembrance Day - Poppies

If anyone would like to purchase a poppy in November, they are available in the school office. All donations will go to the Royal British Legion. Thank you.



### Biker's Free Breakfast and Bling Your Bike Day - Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November 2019

Following our successful event last year, we will be hosting a free breakfast for all our pupils that come to school by Bike or Scooter on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November 2019 from 8.15am. This event will be held in the hall and we will be offering toast and cereals. A letter will go out to everyone to remind you about the event and if anyone has allergies it must be noted on the reply slip. Thank you.

We would like everyone that comes to school via bicycle or scooter to decorate their bike or scooter in the best possible manner. For example, tinsel or other decorations! We will be offering some book vouchers and other prizes for winners and stickers to everyone that takes part.

### Trips

This week Year 1 had a wonderful trip to the Wallace Museum and Year 3 had a fantastic Ancient Greek Day. These themed days and events add great value to the curriculum that the children are learning. Thank you to the staff for organising these events.







# School News and Reminders



## Lost Property

If your child has lost any of their belongings, please speak to your child's class teacher or come to the school office.

Please ensure  
that all clothing  
is clearly marked  
with your child's  
name.



For your information, our Child Protection Officers are:

Mr Tofallis (Primary)  
Mrs McLaren (Academy)  
Mr Sanders (Governor)

The School Safeguarding Policy is available on our website:

[www.ashmoleprimary.org](http://www.ashmoleprimary.org)

## School Uniform - New Supplier

We continue to use ORC Sports to supply our uniform, however we have also sourced another supplier; Uniform 4 Kids [www.uniform4kids.com](http://www.uniform4kids.com)

## Club Information and Contact Details

Foundation Sports - Tom Boxer 07505 097340 [www.foundation-sports.com](http://www.foundation-sports.com)  
Soccer Revolution - Stel Ekkeshis 07795 033492 [www.soccerrevolution.co.uk](http://www.soccerrevolution.co.uk)  
Tennis Rocks - Paul Rock 07934 118211/020 84495560 [www.tennisrocksltd@gmail.com](mailto:www.tennisrocksltd@gmail.com)  
Stage Coach - Kate Diaz 020 8689993 [www.stagecoach.co.uk/southgate](http://www.stagecoach.co.uk/southgate)  
GG Maths - Giuliano Grasso 07956 519802 [www.ggmaths.co.uk](http://www.ggmaths.co.uk)  
Lego Club - Donna Hussey 07860 777638 [bluchildrensclub.co.uk](http://bluchildrensclub.co.uk)  
Mindful Kids - Anna 07518018088 [www.mindfulnessapproach.com](http://www.mindfulnessapproach.com)



### Diary Dates

Value for November - Friendship	November	1 <sup>st</sup>	AM	R-Y3 Individual Class Photos
		4 <sup>th</sup>	All Day	R-Y3 African Drum Workshop
		4 <sup>th</sup>	7pm	APPTA Annual General Meeting (AGM) in School Hall
		4 <sup>th</sup>	PM	Mindfulness Project - Year 2 ONLY
		5 <sup>th</sup>	9am	Global Cyber Day Parent Workshop in the School Hall
		6 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Prospective Parent Tour
		6 <sup>th</sup>	6pm - 7pm	Prospective Parent Meeting
		13 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Prospective Parent Tour
		15 <sup>th</sup>	All Day	Children In Need - Details tbc
		18 <sup>th</sup>	All Week	Road Safety Week
		20 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Prospective Parent Tour
		27 <sup>th</sup> 29 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am 8.15am	Prospective Parent Tour Biker's Free Breakfast and Bling Your Bike Day
Value for December - Kindness	December	3 <sup>rd</sup> 4 <sup>th</sup>	7pm 9.30am 6pm - 7pm	APPTA meeting in the School Hall Prospective Parent Tour Prospective Parent Meeting
		7 <sup>th</sup>	1pm - 4pm	APPTA Christmas Fair
		11 <sup>th</sup> 12 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am 9.00am	Prospective Parent Tour Parent Workshop on Mindfulness for children with Anna Zannides in the School Hall
		13 <sup>th</sup>	All Day	Christmas Jumper Day £1 for charity Christmas Lunch for pupils
		18 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Reception and Year 1 Christmas Production
Value for January - Compassion	January	6 <sup>th</sup>	8.50am	Return to school for Spring Term
		8 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Prospective Parent Tour



Our Value  
for November  
is:  
Friendship

October  
2019



### Attendance

Calypso Class 96.06%	Orion Class 97.67%
Luna Class 98.0%	Nova Class 96.29%
Lyra Class 98.24%	Carina Class 97.68%
Astra Class 98.28%	Lynx Class 98.82%



## Celebrating Achievement Merits, Values and Handwriting Awards

### Year 1

**Luna Class** - Alaz, Alexandra, Aron, Ben, Mason, Shayan, Alexander, Anna, Georgia, Henry, Jansu, Kayden.

**Nova Class** - Denis, Nihal, Ayaan, Lia, Simeon, Adele, Alborz, Amani, Johan, Lewis.

### Year 2

**Carina Class** - Elexa, Marina, Anoushka, Zhane, Tanishka, Ben, Avash, Isla, Joseph, Tami, Raffy.

**Lyra Class** - Aaryan, Alaena, Arman, Ella, Kaner, Mishika, Poppy, Rocco, Sophie, Taylan.

### Year 3

**Asta Class** - Andy, Ediz, Erin, Florrie, Freya, Jake, Jenna, Lewis, Malaika, Max, Oliver, Sia.

**Lynx Class** - Arden, Ediz, Elias, Elodie, Jasmine, Kiki, Muzeeba, Naima, Nikolas, Seb, Serena.

If you think  
someone could  
use a friend.



be one.

Our Value for  
November is -  
Friendship

FRIENDS  
are like stars  
You can't always  
see them.  
But you know  
they're always there.