



**A S H M O L E**

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*An Ashmole Academy Trust School*

Head Teacher: **Mr Chris Tofallis**

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Dear Parents and Carers

**Ashmole Primary School – Library Project**

At Ashmole Primary School, we are very fortunate to have created an amazing new school library last year on the ground floor. This was due to the tremendous parental support we received in setting this up and to all the great donations of books that we received. The APPTA were instrumental in supporting the creation of the library with parents giving up time to help stock the library and help with library sessions and décor. A special thank you goes to Ms Smitha Reddy who gave up lots of time to help with library sessions, overall organisation and categorising our library. We are very grateful for all her input and enthusiasm. This year we have a new set of parent volunteers joining the library team and I would like to thank them in advance for their help and contribution. The APPTA are also supporting our school with additional book shelving on the first floor for the Junior block. We still welcome donations for KS2 books (Y3-Y6), especially comics, magazines and non-fiction books for the children.

Last year we were grateful to families for donating books for our school instead of giving out cakes/ sweets when it was a pupil’s birthday. This is something we would still encourage and we will share photos of this in the newsletters.

Thank you to Mrs Diakou for helping with the next phase of the library project. She will be liaising with Miss Costas (KS1 and Literacy Subject Leader) to continue to promote our library work and allow the children to take part in new library competitions. I would also like to thank our current volunteers for all their kind help. We warmly welcome new community volunteers and grandparents to encourage reading at our school.

Our classes can use the library regularly on the following days from 30.9.19:

Monday	Afternoons	Calypso and Orion - Reception
Wednesday	Afternoons	Astra and Lynx – Year 3
Friday	Mornings	Carina and Lyra – Year 2
Friday	Afternoons	Nova and Luna – Year 1

The children visit the library with their class teachers along with our dedicated volunteer librarians at least every two weeks. The children can take out one book at a time as well as their reading ‘book band’ book from the classroom, and an additional book from the class library.

The children also have Library Lunch days from 23.9.19:

Monday	Carina and Lyra – Year 2
Tuesday	Nova and Luna – Year 1
Wednesday	Calypso and Orion - Reception
Thursday	Astra and Lynx – Year 3

Children should always return their library book every two weeks and can give them back to our library team or even drop off in the library box by the office. It is important that all children return their books on time and always look after the books well.

Mrs Leach, one of our parents, will continue to help process any book orders for birthdays via Usborne Books. Tel: 07957 712574 email: [jmlleach@live.co.uk](mailto:jmlleach@live.co.uk)

Best wishes and kind regards.

Mr Chris Tofallis  
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