

We are really proud of our new school video, which we feel captures perfectly our school values.

Thank you to all staff and students who were involved in the filming. You can see the video by clicking on the link below! We hope you enjoy it! CLICK HERE

Sports Awards Evening

On Thursday July 7th we held our inaugural Sports Awards Evening, it was an incredible evening split into a KS3 and KS4 celebration where parents were invited to join us to celebrate the huge number of sporting successes we have had over the course of the year. Some notable winners included:

Key Stage 3 Ashmole Values Award - Eliza L

KS3 Athlete of the Year Award - Ella B

KS3 Sportsperson of the Year Award - Saxon L

Team of the Year Award - Year 8 Indoor Athletics Team

Key Stage 4 Ashmole Values Award - Andrea M-Y

KS3 Sportsperson of the Year Award - Josh A

Sports Colours Awards - Dalya O, Sé O and Victoria R

Our wonderful Dance Team who were successful in the Barnet Dance Festival earlier in the year performed and the show was closed by Sé O with an incredible individual Irish dance performance. Thanks for everyone who supported in making the evening such a success and a particular thanks to the PE department staff for their continued commitment to the PE Extra-Curricular programme. - Mr Chapman



Prize Winners Assembly

On Thursday 7th July, we had a special prize winners' assembly to celebrate the success of our incredible student body and their outstanding achievements this year. To open the assembly, we enjoyed musical performances by Ivor G and Erin C. We were delighted to welcome back our former Head Boy, Syjil Laryea, whose talk inspired and encouraged students to work hard and to show determination in their studies so that they achieve success in the future. Congratulations to all of our prize winners this year!

– Ms Moon

SIXTH FORM TASTER DAYS Philosophy Society Religion in Art YEAR 9 MATHS YEAR 9

KNOWLEDGE IS POWER

Sixth Form Taster Days

Last week, it was a pleasure to host our Taster Day over 3 days for over 500 students from a range of schools over North London, experiencing what a Sixth Form day at Ashmole would feel like, whilst also gauging a feel for the environment and ethos of the Sixth Form.

More importantly, students had the opportunity to experience their chosen A level subjects first hand, which will support them in confirming their subject choices for next year, as well as attend a variety of talks-including an introduction to the Ashmolean Scholars Programme, a brief summary on MedSoc, the Gifted & Talented programme.

Some of our current Year 12 students were on hand to welcome our applicants and offer some advice on how to start their Year 12 journey and gave them a clear insight into 'Student Life' at our 6th form.

We look forward to seeing many of them back here in September!

Philosophy Society - Religion in Art

On Thursday 9th June, Mrs Gray ran a Philosophy Society talk for year 12, with attendance from religious studies students and teachers. It was an incredibly informative and interesting presentation about religion in art, including depictions of Jesus, heaven and hell and more. She showed work by a variety of artists, including Caravaggio's 'Supper at Emmaus' and Botticelli's 'The Map of Hell'. These works displayed different interpretations of religion: Caravaggio's work depicted Jesus after being resurrected, and Botticelli's piece conveyed the circles of hell in Dante's inferno. The presentation was enlightening, teaching us about many different types of religious imagery, and the impact this has had in the wider world. We analysed the art and discussed our own interpretations, and it was a really great talk. — Maia Year 12

Year 9 Maths - Scale

Last week in maths, Miss Smith's year 9s completed a 'create your own scale drawing' and the other students had to draw these out - with some impressive results! Well done year 9!

Year 7 & 8 English - Shakespearean Sonnets

Linked to their work on Much Ado About Nothing and The Tempest, the Year 7s and 8s have been studying the love sonnets of William Shakespeare. These sonnets, addressed to a young man, provide the students with a brilliant platform to question some of their assumptions about romance, identity and gender! As part of their work, the students produced symbols of appreciation and Pride to celebrate LGBT identities before decorating them with quotes about love, inclusion and respect. We are immensely proud of their mature and uplifting attitude and of the beautiful display which has been produced from their work! - Mr Haswell

Year 9 Wellbeing - Knowledge is Power

Year 9 enjoyed working with an external agency, Knowledge is Power (KIP) exploring health and well being issues including addiction, drugs awareness, gang culture and knife crime. Sessions were interactive, engaging and informative and students commented on how hearing real life stories first hand made them appreciate the challenges that some people face. Thankyou KIP and well done Year 9! – Mr Gilfeather



Year 7 Innovation Day Fast Fashion & Ethics

Innovation Day involved students working within their tutor groups, using their critical thinking skills to investigate the complex world of fast fashion and ethical business practices. They were introduced to the world of business and worked in teams to produce a detailed plan for their own clothing business, using both their Maths and IT skills. The day finished with a Dragon's Den style business pitch to a guest panel in the assembly hall. Congratulations to our Year 7 cohort who worked incredibly hard all day – we are really proud of you! – Mr Ford & Miss Vaughan

"I liked the Innovation Day a lot. We got to build our own businesses and think about the ways to make it the best it could be. As I walked up to the stage, I felt confident in our presentation and I think the dragon's looked impressed! All of our hard work paid off in the end, as we were chosen the winners! I really enjoyed working with my group and had a lot of fun." — Elliot, 7N1

"Before the day began I was intrigued about what Innovation Day would be like. As soon as the day started I was interested in the content of the day (Fast Fashion & Ethics). Working in my group, on something I was passionate about, helped me to get over my nerves. We got to spend time with people we would not normally spend time with and bring our skill sets together, figuring out that we actually made a great team! Overall, Innovation Day was really fun, I loved learning about Business and creating our own, as well as presenting my groups ideas (even though I was really nervous!)" – Jess, 7N1











MedSoc - Careers in Healthcare Talk

On Wednesday 8th June, Dr Shah (a Geriatric consultant at Barnet General) gave us an extremely insightful talk on the 'careers in healthcare', showing us the range of different key roles and MDTs (Multi-Disciplinary Teams), which build up the NHS. He also illustrated his own pathway into medicine. Furthermore, he demonstrated what a typical 'day in the life' of a consultant looks like so that we, as medicine applicants, could get a clearer understanding of what it's like working in a healthcare environment. Dr Shah went through a variety of complex case studies/situations which we might be faced with in a hospital setting, and included an in-depth Q&A session answering all our queries. The entire Medsoc group found this session extremely beneficial and gained a much better understanding of what the reality of working as a doctor is . We all thank Dr Shah for giving us such an amazing and detailed talk! - Anjum B.

Year 10 Form - Team Building Games

Earlier this year 10 forms were asked to build a game as a form activity. We had to look at examples of existing games and come up with a creative idea for our own game through a new invention or using innovation.

10M1 found the 'Top Trumps' game as a great inspiration and decided to create our own TEN-M-ONE Top Trumps edition.

Each student selected a character as their profile picture, their 'super strength' (which is something realistic but does not need to be true), a 'super power' (anything imaginative), their 'spirit animal', 'favourite food' &'weakness' (real or as funny as you like). The students included the traits and characteristics chosen when creating scenarios for the game. Well done 10M1, I've really enjoyed the process of creating and playing this game with you all. – Miss Hatira

Year 10 Work Experience

Well done to all of Year 10 who completed a brilliant week's work experience last week. An impressive 95% of students found their own placement and employers were overwhelming impressed with their professionalism, engagement and maturity.

Students gained valuable experience of a variety of work places; finance, civil service, foreign office, hospitality, catering, education, university science laboratories, sports coaching, design studios, TV and radio production to name a few.

Students rose to the challenges set and now can look forward to building their employability and their career profile. Thanks to all staff who supported in the process and visited our students.

A week to remember for all!

Here is Olin and Benjamin singing to elderly care home residents at their placement! – Mr Gilfeather

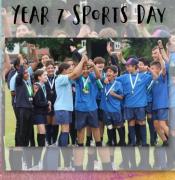
Year 7 Poetry Festival

On Thursday 16th June, the English Department hosted the Year 7 Poetry Festival. It was a fantastic event where students were able to showcase and perform their poetry. The evening was attended by family and friends of Year 7. (some of the winners are pictured) – Ms Michael Winners: Best Individual poem: Shanice W; Zach L; Spike H Best Group poems: Jess C & Rana T; Naima M & Elina I











Geography Scholars Talk

On Tuesday 5th July, Elijah (Geography Scholar) presented a talk about AirBnBs's role in Gentrification, which really made the audience think about the positives and negatives of renting via AirBnB

"Airbnb's online marketplace connects over 150 million tourists to hosts who seek to rent out their homes every year. However, with its growing presence within cities, Airbnb is becoming increasingly problematic. This presentation discusses the socioeconomic impacts of Airbnb within three major cities: Paris, Berlin and New Orleans. For instance, the increasing professionalization of the service has inflated house prices in Paris. To combat this effect in Berlin, the #boycottAirbnb movement has pushed law makers to make the renting of entire apartments illegal. The potential impacts that gentrification (from Airbnb) could have on New Orleans' culture are also presented. But despite the imminent threat of gentrification law makers aim to protect their cities and residents by diminishing the power of Airbnb hosts. The question is just whether these laws and restrictions are fair and effective" — Eljiah H 12

Jack Petchey Awards

On Tuesday 28th June at the Artsdepot in North Finchley this year's ceremony of the Jack Petchey Awards took place. The Jack Petchey awards celebrate young people and adults who go above and beyond acknowledging acts of good character and sporting achievement. The school community nominate individuals who they feel are worthy of the award with the school council making the final decision of the winners. Nine of the twelve winning students were in attendance alongside Ms Whitby who won a leader award for her outstanding efforts in medical despite the ever changing demands of COVID-19 over the pandemic. A special mention to Jamie S in 12SAN who won his SECOND Jack Petchey award for his hard work with St Johns Ambulance! Well done Jamie

Year 7 Sports Day

Wednesday 6th June was Year 7 Sports Day,

After nearly 50 events with points scoring in each discipline 7N2 emerged as winners! Congratulations to them, all team and individual winners and above all else all of our Year 7 students who participated in this great event!



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