



Eurovision
Karaoke
For the second
year running, Ms
Miller has
organised
Eurovision
Karaoke - which is
taking place today
at lunchtime!
Please do check
out our Twitter
and Instagram
next week to hear
all about it!







GOLD Equality Award

We are delighted to announce that we are one of a very few schools in the country to have been awarded a GOLD accreditation for the Equality Award from Equaliteach. EqualiTeach wrote: "Congratulations on achieving your Gold Equalities Award! This demonstrates not only a commitment to equality, but that this work has been embedded, is creating a positive impact, and that your school can stand proudly as a beacon of good practice for other schools to learn from."

Since starting this journey to improve EDI, the school has improved on an immense array of recommendations, none of which could have been achieved without the hard work from our students, parents and staff committee members. I would therefore like to personally thank all the staff committee members for their contribution towards this award. It has been a great team effort over the past 2 years and pleasing to see that we have been recognised for this. This work is far from over. The school will continue to implement and welcome new suggestions from our committees. Thank you for all your support. – Mrs McLaren

Barnet Youth Ambassador

Ania S in 11N2 (far left in the photo) is a Barnet Youth Ambassador. Recently Ania's efforts in ensuring that the young people of Barnet have a voice, was recognised by the Mayor of Barnet, Alison Moore, where Ania was presented with a certificate, congratulating her on her hard work. Over the past year, Ania has attended many meetings with Headteachers across Barnet, aiming to improve mental health in schools. She has also helped make changes to brochures and national leaflets to make them more inclusive regarding race, gender and religion. Ania will continue as the ambassador of Barnet for another year and still hopes to continue to facilitate positive change for young people across the borough. Well done Ania, we are all very proud of you!





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Year II and Year 13 Leavers

This week we say Goodbye and Good Luck to our Year 11 and Year 13 cohorts as they embark on study leave before taking their GCSE and A Level examinations which commence next week!

Year II, I am so proud of all your efforts, hard work and incredible resilience over the past year. You all deserve to be successful and to go onto do whatever you put your heart too. Good luck in your exams! - Ms Clarke

Year 13, it's been an immense pleasure knowing you. I hope the time you have had at Ashmole will be memorable when you look back at it - for the friends you've made, the good times you've had and the learning opportunities of which you have made the most. We have had difficult years dealing with school closure and events (including exams) being cancelled in the past. I know we have all had to become stronger as a result and this will leave you in a better place to cope with whatever life has in store for you. I wish you all every success beyond Ashmole and look forward to hearing about how successful you are in the future. Thank you for the good times. - Mr Das

Park Run

On Saturday 29th April, Ashmole students from years 7-11 participated in our local Parkrun at Grovelands Park. On a beautiful, sunny morning our students, along with Mr Scott, Mr Costello, Mrs Simons, plus some Ashmole parents, completed the 2 & 3/4 laps of Grovelands Park.

During the run, our students encountered the famous "never ending incline" three times. At end of their 5km, many students achieved PBs as well the satisfaction of completing the tough course.

We would like to thank all runners for being so welcoming, accommodating and supportive. We would also like to thank the Race Director and his team of fantastic volunteers including Sophie T (Year 12) for their hardwork enabling the Parkrun to take place.

Please remember, all those who are interested can attend the Ashmole Running Club every Monday after school.

Students who need to complete activities for the Physical and Volunteering Sections of their Duke of Edinburgh Award should consider the Parkrun as possible evidence towards this award too!

Well done to all of our runners! - Mr Scott

Product Design - Design Future London Challenge

Building the London we see today has taken generations of professionals committed to delivering the best possible city. This has included finding different ways of thinking about the challenges faced by Londoners, seeing the challenge through their eyes, and then most importantly finding solutions that dramatically improve the quality of life for future generations.

With this ethos in mind, our year 12 PD students have been working hard at designing innovative, affordable and sustainable community housing for future living Londoners in line with the Design Future Challenge 2023 competition.

The competition asked young people to design innovative and inspirational green housing and a masterplan for a neighborhood in Croydon. Our students, through their design and CAD work needed to meet the changing needs of future generations of Londoners, including promoting wellbeing, quality of life and healthy living and building a better London for everyone.

Our students have put an incredible amount of time and dedication in their submissions that have now been sent off to The Greater London Authority and the Ministry of Building Innovation and Education for review! We cannot wait for the results and are so proud to have been part of this amazing opportunity. The year 12 students that took part are:

Kayra, Mikai, Oscar, Christian, Leo, Cameron & Sebastian. Well done!!



Year 8 Form Sessions: Social Media

Year 8 students have been producing posters as part of their social media project in form sessions. They have been looking at the impact of influencers, algorithms, and the negative impacts they may have.

1st (pictured here) Jenifer and Izabela; 2nd Avelino; 3rd Rana.

Well done Year 8! – Mr Joseph

FemSoc Talks

Anti Feminism

Denisa gave a brilliant presentation on Anti-Feminism in the Edwardian era. Denisa showed us a number of cartoons that were used against the suffrage movements during this time period. The early 20th century was filled with anxiety surrounding women's voice in politics as the women's suffrage movement began to take hold.

Denisa also taught us about the 'Gibson girls' and the construct of the 'ideal woman' in the early 20th century and we discussed how this has been reflected in our 21st century social media age. Denisa also got us to think about why these ideas around women's body types and looks existed.

Denisa delivered a fantastic and well researched presentation and got us thinking about backlashes to important political movements that are still very relevant to today. Well done Denisa!

The importance of feminism in everyday life

Riya (year 9) and Isabella (year 9) did a fantastic presentation on the importance of feminism in everyday life. We discussed what feminism was and some famous feminist theorists such as Angela Davis and Chimamanda Ngozi Adiche.

Riya and Isabella talked us through the different types of sexism that exist in the world and what people are doing to tackle these. We discussed the importance of catergorising sexism and how this would help to tackle issues in institutions such as school or the workplace.

We ended our discussion thinking about the importance of feminism in the 21st century. While women are able to vote, go to school and have good jobs, there is still a lot of work to be done in terms of equity and underlying sexism that still exists within our society. Well done Riya and Isabella for a fantastic presentation!

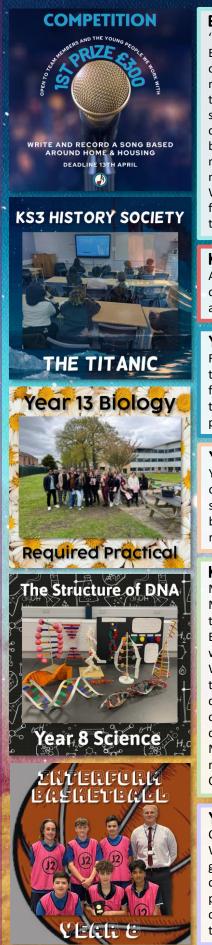
I just wanted to say a huge thank you to the incredible Year 13 Fem Soc team! They have been absolutely incredible in pioneering in the society, setting an example for the other years with their research and presentations. They have been key in delivering sessions throughout the school during International Women's week where they have delivered assemblies. They have also led on our period poverty campaigns and #itsinthebag charity campaign at Christmas. I wish them all the best on their next adventure and hope that they continue to take their pioneering attitudes towards equity into the societies that they join at university. - Miss Cork

Year II Boys Football

The Year 11 Boys football team won 2-1 against London Academy in the Barnet Cup final on Friday 28th April. Edward L scored two fantastic solo goals in a very close and competitive final.

Curriculum Support Shout Out

Shout out to James P in year 7 who will be delivering Epipen training to The Christchurch Scouts group, displaying professionalism, one of our Ashmole Values! Well done James! - Ms Tee White.



Everybody Loves Music Competition

'I recently took part in a song writing competition through a company called Everybody Loves Music who work at youth centres across Enfield. The theme was on the topic of housing, rent and what home means to me. I wrote about what my ideal home would be like which would be "full of love" and "full of hope". I then found a beat to fit my lyrics and recorded a chorus and a verse which was submitted into the competition. I then found out that I came first in the competition and won £300. I was really shocked when my name was called out because I didn't expect to win at all but I am still really happy and proud of myself. I'm not sure what I am going to spend the money on exactly but I think I might start saving up for a new guitar' – Patricia, 12VAU

Well done Patricia, we are all so proud of your achievements. I have been fortunate enough to listen to Patricia sing, and I have been so impressed with her talent and humility. I can't wait to see what Patricia does next! — Miss Vaughan

KS3 History Society - The Titanic

Anna in Year 8 produced an excellent, well researched presentation this week on the sinking of the Titanic. She then facilitated a fascinating question and answer session on the subject. – Mr Halford

Year 13 Biology

For their last ever Biology required practical, year 13 went onto the school field to investigate the effect of an abiotic factor on the distribution of daisies in the field. I am pleased to say that the students were able to prove statistically that trampling on the grass impacts the distribution of daisies. In addition they passed some more of their CPAC qualifications! - Mrs Morley

Year 8 Science - The Structure of DNA

Year 8 students have been learning about the structure of DNA and have created some amazing models using a wide range of resources such as Lego, sweets and even crisp packets! Not only have they shown fantastic creativity, but they also demonstrated excellent evaluation skills and oracy when reflecting on the strengths and limitations of their models. - Ms de Saint-Quirin

KS5 History Society - The History of Judaism

Mille (year 12) delivered a fantastic presentation on the History of Judaism. Millie was particularly interested in this topic as she recently found her family tree which dated back to the 19th century. We discussed Jewish migration over Europe and the formation of different communities in different parts of the world.

We also discussed the different languages and cultures within Judaism and how this have changed and influence communities overtime. As a group we considered the impact that Anti-Semitism has had on different Jewish communities and discussed how many Jews were turned away from European countries during WW2 as a result of this Anti-Semitism.

Millie was able to answer some complex questions very well and the discussion regarding racism and Anti-Semitism was extremely thought provoking. – Miss Cork

Year 8 Interform Basketball

Congratulations to 8J2 on winning the year 8 Interform Basketball Tournament. With some excellent Basketball on display, teams had to battle through a tough group section to make the semi finals. With teams eliminated on "basket difference". In two exciting and tense semi final both J2 & V1 secured their place in the final. In a close and hard fought final, with both teams have chances to win, 8J2 secured the victory winning by a single basket. Well done to them and all players who participated in this excellent tournament.



Year 7 Disco

On Wednesday, Year 7 students attended the disco. Students from Year 12, alongside Miss Humphryes, set up the hall with hundreds (literally) of balloons and lights. Students arrived and had pictures taken at the photo booth, purchased snacks from the APFA stalls and danced through the evening. One of the best moments on the night was the dance off! Well done to our students for being so professional. We hope you had a great time!

When I walked into the hall I saw balloons and lights and I was so excited to have fun! After talking to the lovely staff for a few minutes, I heard some really good songs. I danced, chatted and had such a good time. The food and drink was great and I had a great time with my friends. I went to the photobooth which looked amazing. It had funny faces and blow up instruments and props. Then things got even better as we had a dance battle and people danced and danced! Near the end, the Sixth Formers got us involved in doing the Candy dance and everyone joined in, even the teachers! – Nicole 7N1

I really enjoyed the disco because I had so much fun with my friends! It was also really nice taking photos with friends and even taking a form photo! All of the drinks and food the Sixth Formers were selling was really delicious and yummy! Everyone was so nice and lovely, the way the teachers came up with a dance off was amazing. All of the decorations were incredible. The songs were also really good to dance to and the last dance we did was so much fun. We were all doing the candy dance, literally everyone poined in! I loved the disco! – Ela 7N1



Our Year 13s and staff enjoyed a memorable evening at the Sixth Form dinner on Thursday 4th May! Please check out our Instagram to see a *Reel* of the evening! Thank you to Ms Ocloo for her hard work with organising the event!

