

Ashmole Academy

On Tuesday our staff hosted a Macmillan Coffee morning, raising over £200 for this brilliant charity. Thanks to all staff who baked, bought treats and donated!

Black History Month



Secondary Transfer Evening We had such a wonderful evening last Wednesday, welcoming prospective parents and students to our school at our annual Secondary Transfer Evening. There was a real buzz around the school, and staff and students alike were delighted in showing all we have to offer here at the Academy. For those of you unable to attend the live event, the speeches may be watched by clicking here

Black History Month

For our Black History Month celebrations at Ashmole this year we've aimed to tell the stories of less well-known individuals. Where people have been excluded it is right that we highlight their valuable contributions to our society so they are not forgotten. Our community have celebrated some notable black figures in our Assemblies and Collective worship this week. There are also student produced presentations displayed in the Library and the Refectory all week (this display is from the library!)

We would like to take this opportunity to celebrate the students below who have wholeheartedly embraced all of our Ashmole values and enthusiastically and voluntarily gave up their time to produce some excellent resources for this week's Black History Month celebrations

KS3 Black History Month presentation – The Black Suffragettes:

Rebecca M 8M2, Meisha P 8M2, Neila K 8M2, Zara M 8M2

Black History Month Displays (Library and Refectory): Daisy Q 9S1, Nia W 9N2, Adam L 9S1, Yasmin H – 9N2, Romaisa Z 9N1

KS4 Black History month presentation – Alice Allison Dunnigan

Giorgia C – 11J1, Leah S – 11J2

Sharing our Heritage – Jamaica: Uriel N-T – 11M1, Kyra M – 11J1, Olivia C – 11N1

Thank you to Ms Alexander for leading on BHM and sharing the above, and to all staff who have contributed to the resources produced; Ms Gordon, Ms Ocloo, Mr Pringle, Ms Adebayo, Ms Cork, Mrs McLaren and our leadership team who have championed our Equalities Committee.



#bookandbrew x man booker shadowing

Man Booker Prize Shadowing has been running since September, with staff and students allocated a book to read and review, and meeting with A Level students to discuss what has been read.

"It was established right away at our first meeting of the Booker Prize Shadowing that this was a book club for teachers and stud ents alike, to explore new genres and authors and, ultimately, w e would become judges ourselves. We were each given a brief s ynopsis for the six books that have been shortlisted for the prize , as teachers gave reviews of their chosen reads so far and we as students began to think about which of the six we would choose to read first. It was wonderful to see so many faces passionate a bout reading as we managed to have a real conversation about books in person for what felt like the first time since lockdown, a nd I am extremely excited for the meetings to come as we each will get to express and debate our own opinions." - Nafeesa I Year 13.

Year 8 Spanish

Mrs Simons was really impressed with her year 8 class last week! "8F have been learning how to describe people and they recently did a lesson about famous Hispanic people. Students were given a list of facts they had to find using 24 different descriptions which were stuck around the room. Every text was written entirely in Spanish and they had no help from me - they worked together in such an amazing professional way - it was fantastic to see! Using the texts as a guide, students then had to write their own description of famous person."

Year 13 Art - Tate Visit

On Friday 9th October, Year 13 Art students visited the Tate Britain, where they were guided round the key works in the collection by an art historian, who informed the students about the artists, the symbols within the works and social and political context of the time they were created. In the interactive tour, students were introduced to diverse works, from John Constable 18th century society portraits, to the contemporary artist Heather Phillipson's dystopian installation. It was wonderful to go to the gallery and our students got a lot out of the visit!

Year 7 History

The wonderful 7J1 have been working really hard while studying the Ancient world and considering how historians use objects to interpret what life might have been like for Ancient societies. We have been studying lots of artefacts from Ancient Egypt, Greece and Rome, and the students have been considering how effective objects are in helping historians to write history. Aiza T completed this incredible revision task in preparation for the summative assessment on this module, and her beautiful notes helped her to formulate a brilliant piece of writing. Well done Aiza! - Miss Cork



FemSoc

"On Thursday 30th September, the first FemSoc meeting of this year was held, with an amazing turn out from year 11, 12 and 13 students.

FemSoc is a society where positive discussions about feminist ideologies and theories will be held, with an academic basis where students can learn about feminism within a wide range of subject matters.

The first meeting was led by Mrs Gray, in which she spoke about women in Christianity. She led discussions about Christian views of women, and taught about progressive figures within the religion, such as Hildegard of Bingen, as well as religious figures who contributed to the oppression of women within the church and in wider society.

Questions were raised about whether Christianity is sexist, and if so, whether this is an irredeemable quality surrounding the religion, and students enjoyed discussing the arguments for and against this idea, in addition to learning about a side of religious history that may not always be discussed in modern feminism. Overall, it was an incredibly interesting first FemSoc meeting, and it has set an amazing foundation for further meetings to discuss feminism in specific subject matters and as a whole." - Maia H Year 13

Year II History

In History, Year 11 have been studying the changes in medicine from the Ancient Greeks to the bacterial revolution. They have been revising what they studied before the summer term in preparation for their assessment and future mocks in December... Karen in 11V1 has created some amazing revision notes with accompanying images, to help her remember key events and facts from the different time periods! Good luck in your upcoming assessments Year 11!

Year 7 Geography

Proud teachers alert! A message below from the Geography department!

"Year 7 Geographers, including my class 7S1, have been researching Geographical news stories and then presenting them to their peers in class. We have been impressed with their efforts and professionalism. They have chosen a range of issues, here in the UK and abroad, and have tried hard to present them in a clear way even when they are nervous and find public speaking incredibly daunting. They have also given their classmates positive comments to make them feel good. We are so proud of them." - Mrs Sullivan

Careers The Careers page on **Firefly** includes some excellent work experience opportunities for our students! These opportunities are mostly for Sixth Form students but some are available to younger years. Keep checking it for updates, there will be different ones each week. Here is one exciting opportunity with Clifford Chance, a large Law firm we have close links with. - Mr Gilfeather

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> Year # Breaking News – Y7 News Stories

Geography in the News



Barnet Cross Country



Schools League Meeting



Latin Club

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Cross Country

On Tuesday afternoon we attended the Barnet Cross Country Schools League Meeting at Stone X Stadium, where Ashmole students produced some amazing performances which can be seen below.

All students below have now qualified to represent Barnet in the London Youth Games at Parliament Hill in November. We look forward to seeing more excellent performances from our runners at Oakhill Park next week! Selected Results from Barnet Cross Country League Meeting:

Yr. 7 Boys Race - Kamran D. (1st).

Yr. 7 Girls Race - Eliza L.(6th) & Posh L. (7th).
Yrs. 8/9 Boys Race - Josh A. (3rd) & Caillin H. (7th).
Yrs. 8/9 Girls Race - Jessica T. (4th), Ella B. (5th) & Holly L. (6th).

Yrs. 10/11 Boys Race - Adam M. (2nd), Danny C. (6th) & Charlie J. (7th).

Yrs 10/11 Girls Race - Weronika K. (3rd).

Well done everyone, we are really proud of you!

Year 10 Netball; Ashmole vs. Wren

"Year 10 Netball girls had their first fixture of the year against Wren Academy, they absolutely smashed it winning 13-3. The girls showed passion and determination on court which resulted in a triumphant win. Well done Year 10, I am a very proud coach." -Ms Whittaker A fantastic result year 10!

Latin Club!

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Latin Club has re-launched this week, and students have learnt about a Caecilius and his family, some Romans who lived (and died) in Pompeii. The club runs every Wednesday after school. – Mr Pearson

Globe Theatre Trip

Our Year 9s had the privilege of visiting the globe recently, more details to follow about the trip in our next edition!