

# Ashmole's Weekly Roundup!



## The end of term!

What a year it has been...a year we will never forget!

Here are some of the highlights:

- The setting up of our field hospital back in January
- Our PE department keeping kids across the country active as part of the telegraphs national campaign #keepkidactive!
- Year 9 raising money and donating food bank items for 'Fight Hunger Create Change'
- The establishment of the new Ashmole Scholar Programme for our sixth formers
- Our staff who trained to become testers when lockdown ended in March
- Our #bookandbrew recommendations - we have recommended 24 books since the new year, lots of summer reading to try!
- Our school featuring in the brilliant 'Unforgotten' on ITV
- That well-being has been a huge focus this year for both staff and students
- That we have been able to delve into what's going on across the school through our #subjectspotlights
- Becoming a DFE Behaviour Hub! Watch this space!

We hope you have all had a wonderful year, and we wish our whole community a restful, fun, summer break. Thank you to everyone- staff, students, parents and carers for their support this year. It would have been impossible without you. We can't wait to welcome you back in September!

## SIXTH FORM SPORTS DAY



**More sports day pictures to follow for Year 7, 8, 9 and 10 in a future round-up**

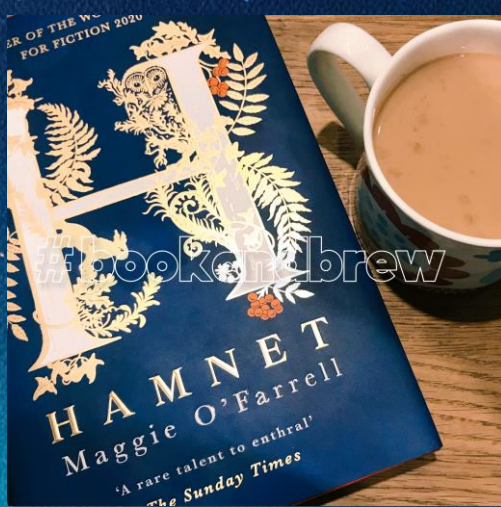
## Sixth Form Sports Day

On Friday 9th July we held our first ever Sixth Form Sports Day. It was a wonderful afternoon of sport and fun and we were delighted that so many students took part.

Congratulations to the Mr Gilfeather's form who were the winners of the highly competitive Benchball tournament, Miss McGinty's form were crowned winners in Rounders and they showed brilliant batting and fielding skills.

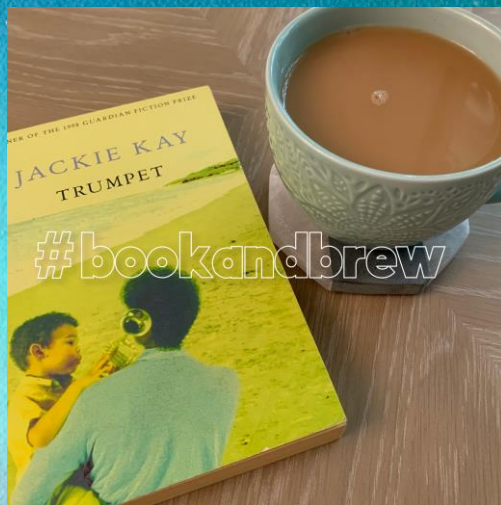
Well done to all of our athletes who participated in the different athletics races, there were some amazing performances, Tojumi and Natasha in the 400m and Emma and Marcel in the 100m sprint were particularly noteworthy.

However, it was the wheelbarrow race, egg and spoon and three-legged races where the real talent was on display! After such a tough year it was wonderful to see so many students enjoying themselves.



## #bookandbrew

We have two wonderful #bookandbrews just in time for the summer holidays! First up: 'Hamnet' recommended by Ms Nelson. "Hamnet is an incredibly moving novel; O'Farrell cleverly interweaves the life of the life of our most famous playwright with a fictional story about love, loss and the difficulties of being part of a family. O'Farrell creates a fictional and poignant backstory that explains the inspiration for Shakespeare's most famous play. She successfully and subtly humanises a literary hero, whilst simultaneously creating a highly believable female heroine. A fab read for anyone interested in exploring how art can help us to overcome tragedy."



## #bookandbrew

Next up we have 'Trumpet' recommended by Ms Kemal: "Firstly, this book is beautifully written and full of captivating imagery. Jackie Kay began her writing career as a poet and this is her debut novel - completely makes sense when you notice how carefully placed and vivid the language is. This novel is about Joss Moody, a fictional famous jazz artist who suddenly dies. Even though it begins with this shocking event, the twists and turns that follow will have you gasping aloud whilst reading! Huge secrets are only revealed once Joss dies. Each chapter is told through the eyes of different characters that closely knew and loved Joss, such as his wife. But some chapters are written from the perspective of other characters that aren't as connected to his life, such as a journalist publishing Joss's death. With tremendous heartbreak that resonates with every modern relationship, this book will make you cry once you're finished with it. More importantly, you'll always remember it"

## SCHOOL PRODUCTION



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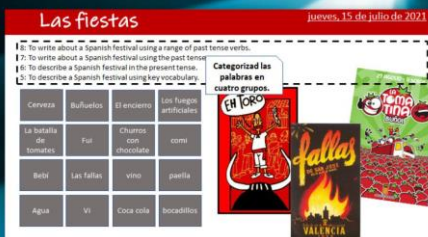
## Milan and the Javelin

We are so proud of Milan T in Year 12, who last week competed in the English schools athletics competition, in the javelin. He placed 9th throwing 51.41m. Absolutely fantastic!

## Annie is coming to Ashmole!

The Performing Arts department are delighted to be bringing 'Annie' to Ashmole in February 2022. This fun family musical will be taking place on the 8th, 9th and 10th February and we look forward to seeing you there. After a difficult year for the arts as a whole it is going to feel incredible to be able to get students involved in the school show again and in front of a live audience. We are looking for students to get involved and be part of the cast, showband and backstage crew. If students want to be involved, we are asking them to familiarise themselves with the songs and story (the film versions can be found on Netflix and Disney+). Auditions will be taking place shortly after the summer break.

## SUBJECT SPOTLIGHT



## SPANISH

### #subjectspotlight - Spanish

Year 7 students have been learning about some of the weird and wonderful Spanish festivals such as Las Fallas and La Tomatina. Students have loved finding out about the different customs and deciding which one they would like to visit. La Tomatina has been the most popular... Year 8 students have done a short film study on a Argentinian film Valentin. This an inspiring story about 8 year old Valentin, who lives with his grandmother and dreams of becoming an astronaut. It is a funny and uplifting story which the Spanish department would highly recommend!

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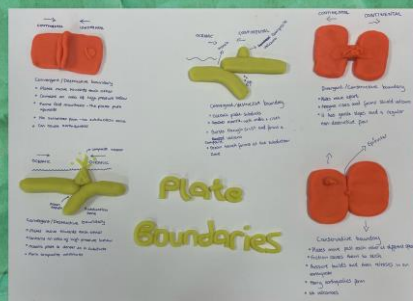


## MATHEMATICS

### #subjectspotlight - Maths

Year 8 have been doing projects on Mathematicians to research their lives and also think about how their work has impacted us in the modern day. They also thought about how those skills and discoveries would translate in today's world in terms of the mathematicians' careers. For example, it is likely that Fibonacci would be a trader or in risk assessment based on his work. We've had some fantastic, well researched, professionally presented talks.

## YEAR 10 GEOGRAPHY



## PLAY DOH REVISION

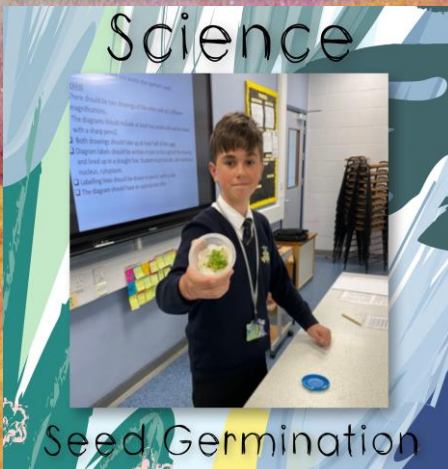
### Geographical features with play doh

One of Ms Vaughan's year 10 classes had a fun last lesson on Thursday afternoon, using playdoh to create a number of different features they had learnt about this year in Geography!

### Germinating seeds project

In science, year 7 have been completing a seeds germinating project! They chose a variable and look how it affected plant growth compared to a control. Well done year 7!

## Science



## Seed Germination



### Young Artist Summer Exhibition

Krupa B's (11N2) art work has been selected to be exhibited in the Arts Depot, North Finchley, Young Artist Summer Exhibition! This exhibition competition was open to young people, aged 11 -25, from the North London area. The exhibition is on from the 22nd July -26th August . Watch this space to see if Krupa enjoys further success as a prize winner!

# ASHMOLE PRIMARY



## MURAL

### Ashmole Primary Mural

Some lovely news we wanted to share, Cindy Heather has just finished a huge outdoor wall mural at Ashmole Primary! She enlisted the help of one of our students, Mia N in year 9! We think your work is wonderful, Mia! Well done!

**Thank you for your support over this past year, wishing our whole school community a wonderful summer holiday!**

### MedSoc



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On Wednesday, MedSoc had two first-year medical students, Vanisha and Sherryn, come into school to give a talk. They gave us an insight into medicine and its different course structures, as well as a sense into life at the University of Birmingham and the University of Nottingham. They also went through top tips for the medicine entrance exams (UCAT & BMAT) and the interviews. We also had the opportunity to ask any questions at the end of the talk to aid us in our university applications for Medicine/Dentistry. - Sam, Y12. Thank you so much to Vanisha and Sherryn for giving up their time to talk to us - it was lovely to see you and wonderful to hear about the realities of studying Medicine and life at university!

### MedSoc

#### WHY WE CHOSE OUR RESPECTIVE UNIVERSITIES AND OUR EXPERIENCE SO FAR

Arun: University of Leicester

Zoe: University of Birmingham



## University Advice

### MedSoc - University advice

This month students were able to hear from some of our alumni who are taking Science degrees: Zoe, studying Biochemistry at the University of Birmingham, and Arun, studying Biological Sciences at the University of Leicester. Our Year 12s got an opportunity to find out more about these degrees, how they are structured, as well as why they chose their universities. From lectures and practicals, to essay writing - with lots of wider reading. Arun and Zoe are really happy with their degree choices and we are very grateful that they took their time to speak to us!