



Ashburnham Community School

Key Dates

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3 rd Feb	Yr 5/6 to athletics competition at Chelsea Academy
5 th Feb	2:45 – Rhetoric Cup final 9am – Oral health workshop for parents
8 th Feb	Bike training all week
9 th Feb	Smoothie making on the bike Yr 5 showcase 3pm
10 th Feb	Yr 4 parent showcase 2:45 Year 3 class assembly 3pm
11 th Feb	Wastebusters collection Yr 1 & 2 showcase 9 – 9:15
12 th Feb	Yr 3 parent showcase 14:45pm Yr 6 parent showcase 14:45pm

Last week's attendance:

Congratulations to Year 5 with best attendance this week

Overall school attendance since September:...

Year Group	Weekly Percentage
Y1	96.6
Y2	86.7
Y3	95.6
Y4	94
Y5	93.8
Y6	91.7

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Bella has written separately to you all setting out that she will be leaving the school as of 31st August 2016.

We want say a massive thank you to Bella for her extraordinary achievement in leading the school's turnaround. She has contributed in so many, many ways to making Ashburnham one of the most improved schools in the country – she truly is an “outstanding” head. Bella will be with us until the end of the summer and in the meantime we will be deciding upon her replacement so that they will be in post when she steps down. We are very sad to be losing Bella and wish her all the very best in the next phase of her career.

Richard Derecki, Parent Governor and Paul Cotter, Executive Head.

Parents' Association Upcoming Events

We will be holding our ever popular school **Easter Disco on 16th March** after school. Watch this space for further details on how you can help and how you can buy tickets.

The **Summer Fair** this year will be held in the last week of term on **12th July**. The theme will be **World Music and Food**, if you have any contacts with music groups that would like to take part, please let me know.

Thanks, Sue Harris

Oral Health Parents Workshop

On Friday 5th February, there will be an **Oral Health Workshop** for all parents. Information will be given about keeping your child's teeth healthy. There will also be information about hidden sugars in food. Please come along as everyone is welcome.

Thanks Year Six

We were all treated to a **Year Six assembly** on Wednesday. The children wrote and staged the assembly themselves and we were given a whistle stop tour of what the children have been learning about this term. The assembly was very entertaining and informative, and we were particularly impressed by Boubaccar's impression of Ms Blackshaw! He even wore her lanyard! Well done Year Six; a great team effort!

Rhetoric Cup

Next week the preliminary rounds of the **Rhetoric Cup** will take place in KS2. Children will be rehearsing their speeches and presenting them in front of their class. The winners from each class will go through to Friday's final. Everyone is welcome to come and watch the final presentations on Friday 5th February at 2:45. This weekend is the last weekend to write and practise your speeches, so get busy!

New Assessment Arrangements

Parents' evening will be held on 7th and 8th March and the reports will include information on your child's current attainment under the **new assessment criteria** in reading, writing and maths. There are two categories at this point in the year: working BELOW the age related expectation and working AT the age related expectations. If you have any questions about the new assessment arrangements, please ask the class teacher or Miss Wittleton or Miss Street.

Table Tennis Finalists



Congratulations to Harry and Abed for getting through to the **London Individual Tournament**. They are the top two under eleven players in Central London which is a fabulous achievement.

Stars of the week

Reception – Anthony, Year One – Nour, Year Two – Moamin, Year Five – Harry, Year Six – Azzedine, Mr Garcia – Abed, Ms Chu – Harry, Ms Webster – Year 5, Ms Dormar – Kelsey.