



Ashburnham Community School Part of the Fox Federation

Well done to everyone for a fantastic half term. So much fantastic learning!



Amazing performances at the Spelling Bee this week



Y4 having a fantastic visit at the Ismaili Centre



Nursery Class children enjoying a session of 'Write Dance' in the hall with their teachers and friends



Y5 Trip to Greenwich- standing on the Greenwich Meantime Meridian line

HALF TERM	HALF TERM-Flashpoint open Monday-Friday 10-6pm
Monday 30	INSET
Tuesday 31	Children return- Halloween dress up/ own clothes day
Wednesday 1	
Thursday 2	Y6 school journey meeting 3.30pm
Friday 3	Parent Gym 9am <u>No whole School Assembly</u> School ends 2.15pm

### Parents consultation afternoons - any missed appointments?

Thanks to all parents and carers for coming to consultations this week. If you were for some reason unable to attend, could you please make an appointment with the teacher urgently. Thanks.

Also, thanks to everyone who took time to complete the questionnaire. If you did not have time, please follow this link: <http://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/BSIED/>

### Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October INSET

Please note that the Monday 30<sup>th</sup> is an INSET day, so closed for pupils. On Tuesday children are allowed to dress up for Halloween or wear own clothes for a £1 donation.

### Mrs Tweedie- goodbye for now!

Mrs Tweedie (Ms Blackshaw) leaves us after the half term to go on maternity leave. Ellie has been fantastic leading Y6 and literacy, and this term has been working with other yeargroups to support literacy. We wish her the very best for her next chapter in life. She assures us, though, that she'll be back soon enough!

## Westfield Christmas Gift Card Wallet Competition

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Why not submit an entry for this year's Gift Card competition (see template). It can be anything associated with Christmas or the Winter season. The winning school will receive £1000 and the artist a £100 voucher.



## Parent Governor position available

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Please see the information that is going out today about the parent governor position that is soon to be available.

## Write Dance

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The 'Write Dance' programme is an exciting music and dance approach to develop the skills needed for writing. Here you can see nursery working with Ms Blesky the dance teacher to create wonderful pieces collaboratively.



## School tours

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If you know of anyone who has a child interested in a place at Ashburnham, we hold regular short tours of the school with our very professional Y6 Ambassadors. There is one at 9.30am on November 8<sup>th</sup>.

## PTA- Parent support needed

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During the year, there are key school events that are real highlights of the year. These always require extra helpers in the days leading up to the events and on the day. Please let any of the staff know if you are able to offer you time to any of these. Here are the key dates this year.

- Great Ash Bake Off Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> November
- Winter Disco Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December
- Talent show Final Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> March
- International evening Friday 11<sup>th</sup> May
- Summer Fair Thursday June 28<sup>th</sup>

## Office opening hours

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Please note that the school office is not open after school hours on Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons. The office will be able to deal with any issues on other afternoons. Please be aware that children are not to be collected half way through a club or enrichment, as this causes considerable disruption. Thanks for your support.

## Education News: 5 Myths about Autism

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Interesting misconceptions about pupils with Autism/Asperger's

<https://www.tes.com/news/school-news/breaking-views/five-myths-about-autism-we-need-banish-teaching>



## Stars of the week- (please note there will be no stars the first week back after half term).

**Yr1: Kayla; Yr2: Yusuf S; Yr3: Stefan; Yr4: Misha; Yr5: Mohamed B; Yr6: Alicia**

**Ms Bell and Mrs Dormer's manners award: Ameen (Y5);**

**Mr East's Maths Award: Arthur (Y4)**

**Mrs Tweedie's Reader of the Week: Ahmad (Y5)**

**Mr Garcia's Sports Award: Kyle (Y Rec)    Mr Tuitt's Playground Award Lulya (Y3)**