AHS MONTHLY NEWS

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THIS MONTH'S EDITION

- Parent & Child Teacher Conferences
- Batik Day
- Class news

2026/2027 Calendar available on our website

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Halloween Party**
  30th October
- **Saraswati Day**
  31st October
- **Dress Up Day**
  Wear your Colours
  25th November
- **Christmas Performance and End of Term**
  18th December

Happy October Birthday!



Happy Birthday to **Marco, Rayvando and Mehmet** (Reception), **Daniel** (Year 3), **Gaby** (Year 4) & **Zoe** (Year 7). Hope you enjoyed your special days!

Parent & Child Teacher Conferences

At the beginning of October, we welcomed families to our Parent, Student and Teacher Conferences. These meetings provided a valuable opportunity to celebrate students' progress, reflect on their learning so far this year, and discuss goals and next steps for the term ahead.

We believe that strong partnerships between home and school are essential to student success. We are grateful to our families and teachers for their time, thoughtful conversations and continued commitment to working together. By sharing perspectives and supporting each student's individual needs, we can help every student feel encouraged, valued and ready to grow. 🐝





Batik Day

In October, we celebrated Batik Day, giving our students an opportunity to appreciate one of Indonesia's most beautiful cultural traditions. It was wonderful to see students celebrating Indonesian heritage and learning more about the history and significance of batik. Days like these help us build cultural awareness and celebrate the rich traditions of the country we call home. 🐝



EYFS

Early Years Foundation Stage

It has been another wonderful month! 🌟
We are so proud of how the children have settled into Term 2 and continue to grow in confidence as they explore, learn, and play together. This month, our learning has focused on the theme “My Body.” Through stories, songs, creative activities, movement games, and hands-on experiences, the children have been learning about different parts of their bodies and discovering what their bodies can do. 🖐️🤳💕
In Phonics, the children have been learning the sounds /c/, /k/, and /e/ through fun and engaging activities, helping them develop their listening skills and letter-sound recognition. 🔤✨
In Maths, the children have been exploring different shapes, learning to recognise and name shapes through playful, hands-on activities and discovering shapes in the world around them. 🔵🔺🟨






Key Stage 1

Year 1/2

This month, we have been learning many new things and enjoying lots of exciting activities!
In early October, we celebrated *Batik Day*, learning about batik as one of Indonesia’s cultural heritages. The children were introduced to this beautiful Indonesian tradition and learned more about the richness of our local culture.
In KS1, the children focused on reviewing their understanding of *place value* to strengthen their number knowledge. We have now started exploring *2D and 3D shapes*, learning to recognise and identify different shapes around us.
October has also been an exciting month as we prepare for Halloween! The children have been busy creating classroom decorations, including pumpkins and other spooky decorations. It has been wonderful to see them working together, sharing ideas, and bringing a festive Halloween atmosphere to our classroom.
What a lovely month full of learning, creativity, and fun! 🎃🧡

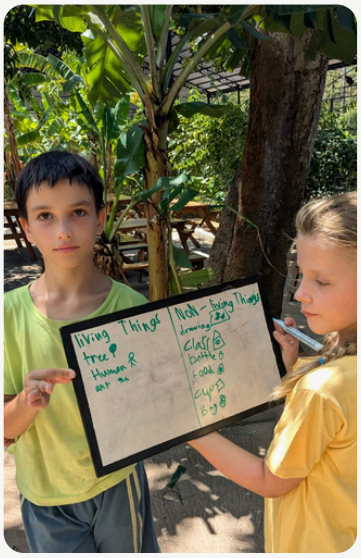


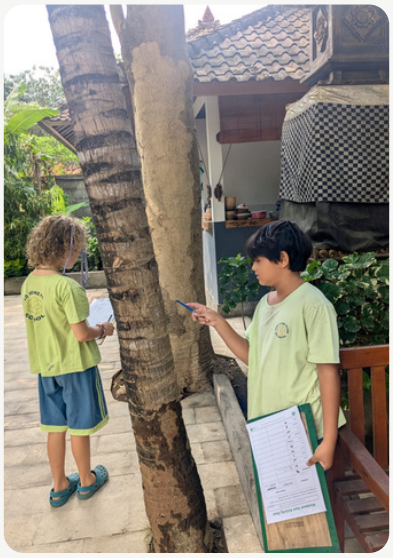


Key Stage 2

Year 3/4

In October, the Year 3-4 class learned the spelling patterns for 19 different vowel sounds! We can put verbs in the past tense (both regular and irregular), and learned about the different types of nouns. We also began our inquiry into the needs of living things by going outside to find living things and come up with a definition for them. Our favourite part of this month was learning all about the self-control strategies we have (we are all different) through the marshmallow test!



Key Stage 3+



Year 5/6

This October, Year 5 and 6 students dove into mathematics through an exciting challenge we called "Octopuzzle". To bring excitement into maths, our students tackled complex multiplication problems including -2-digit by 2-digit and -3-digit by 2-digit calculations entirely through engaging maths puzzles.

This month in Grade 5/6 English we have begun 'Exploring Earth' through a study of non-fiction texts.

Secondary

Maths met mystery in October's Octopuzzle. Secondary students cracked codes to master indices through fun math puzzles.

In Year 7 English we have begun undertaking a study of our favourite novels and have created book reviews and character studies for our 'Book Bag'. In Year 7 Geography we have been studying Coasts and what shapes life at the coast.

In Year 8/9 English we have started exploring 'Sinister Stories' and the genre conventions of creating sinister stories. In Geography we have begun exploring Forest Biomes and why forests are so important.