

The School Newsletter

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Dear Parents & Carers.

We've come to the end of the autumn term successfully. A huge well done to our Nursery/Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 classes who all performed brilliantly in our Nativity. We hope you enjoyed it! A special mention to the children (parents and staff!) who sang carols at Highbury and Islington Station, at KHWG and at Mildmay Care Home —you were amazing and sang beautifully. Thank you very much to the PTA and Living Room who have kindly given a Christmas gift to each child.

Our KS2 results for summer 2023 have also been confirmed. The children achieved above national standards in reading, writing and maths. Well done for all their hard work.

On behalf of all the staff, thank you very much for all the kind gifts and cards we have received. We wish you all a peaceful and happy Christmas and send you our best wishes for the new year.

Thank you for your continued support,

Adeola Oladejo, Headteacher and Senior Leadership Team

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Key Term Dates

Staff Inset Day: Monday 8th January (School closed for pupils)

Pupils return to school on Tuesday 9th January

Reception Places for September 24

We are currently holding tours for parents looking for a Reception place in September. The closing date for applications is 15th January 2024

See <u>here</u> for more information.

Attendance

We continue to work hard at improving school attendance so that pupils can develop well socially and achieve well academically. We have sent attendance letters home where attendance is a concern. If you would like to discuss your child's attendance or would like additional support, please get in touch with the senior leadership team through the school office.

Survey

Please complete our parent survey. We would like to know your views on what we are doing well and where we might improve further. The survey will be open until 3rd January.

Thank you!

Star Awards

Friday 8th December

Year 1: All of Year 1!

Year 2: Cobey & Jack D

Year 4: Aldona & Moriah

Year 6: Habrom & Chibuikem HUGE Well Done! Friday 15+4 Friday 15th December

Nursery/Reception: Aoife & Harry

Year 1: Sally

Year 2: All of Year 2!

Year 3: Riley & Sky

Year 4: Oliver & Berkin

Year 5: Brandon

Year 6: A'Kayla & Cayden

Thursday 21st December

Nursery/Reception: Evie

Year 1: Beau

Year 2: Paddy and Rian

Year 3: Miran

Year 4: All of Year 4!

Year 5: All of Year 5!

Year 6: All of Year 6!

BRONZE AWARDS!

(10 Merits for learning and positive

behaviour)

Brandon, Eli, Jamillah, Moriah, Faith (Y4), Evie (Y4), Lucy, Jimmy, A'Kaylah, Amani, Solly, Lexi







































Dates for your Diary

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8 January	Staff Inset Day: School closed for pupils
9 January	Pupils return to school
15 January	Piano/violin lessons restart
15-26 Janu- ary	Year 3 swimming
18 January	Oral hygiene workshops for YR, Y1, Y2
24 January	Y1 trip to London Transport Museum
26 January, 9.15am	Year 6 Class Assembly—parents/carers welcome
30 January	Y2 tip to London Bridge
1 February	Pupils to St Paul's Cathedral for LDBS annual celebration service
2 February, 9.15am	Year 5 Class Assembly—parents/carers welcome
6 February	School nurse and well-being clinic— parents/carers welcome to book a slot
8 February	Y1 trip to Hampstead Heath
9 February, 9.15am	Year 3 Class Assembly—Parents/carers welcome
12-16 Feb- ruary	Half-Term Week
20 Febru- ary	KS1 Road Safety workshop
22 Febru- ary	Three Discovery workshops for pupils
28 Febru- ary	Bletchley Park Cyber workshops for KS2
1 March, 9.15am	Year 2 Class Assembly—Parents/carers welcome
8 March, 9.15am	Year 4 Class Assembly—Parents/carers welcome
	FA Biggest Ever Football Session
12 March	Children to Royal Albert Hall for Prom Praise 4 Schools concert
15 March, 9.15am	Year 1 Class Assembly—Parents/carers welcome
19 March	Year 2 trip to Queen Elizabeth's Hunting Lodge
22 March, 9.15am	Nursery/Reception Class Assembly — Parents/carers welcome
26 March	Year 5 Shakespeare Project starts: visit to see performance of Julius Caesar
28th March	Last day of spring term –school closes at 1.30pm.

Online safety this festive season

https://www.internetmatters.org/

This festive season, put children's online safety first. Use the link to learn how to set up devices safely and how to control what they can access and when. Parents should check their children's devices daily and be vigilant over screen time and content.

King Henry's Walk Entry to the School

A couple of polite reminders:

The back gate will open from 8.50am until 9.05am and from 3.25-3.40pm.

Registration is at 9.00am. Children arriving after 9.05 will be marked as late.

If you are running late, please use the main entrance on Kingsbury Road.

Buggies

If you are bringing a buggy along, please also use the main Kingsbury Road entrance. Buggies are blocking the walkway and Ray cannot be responsible for any children left in them!

Thank you for your cooperation and support with this. Hopefully, the bridge works will be completed soon.

Take Part in the Mini Winter Reading Challenge!

The Challenge ends on 19 February 2024.

Read three or more books to complete the Winter Mini Challenge!

Find out more, sign up, rate and review your books on this website while the Challenge is on and you'll unlock a limited-edition virtual badge for your profile AND a special certificate that you can print out and keep.

Happy Reading!



Carol singing!



Christmas Lunch!







PTA Christmas Disco!



Fun and Games with Santa!















SJSP Nativity











WINTER HOLIDAYS 02-05 January, 2024



Our Winter programme gives eligible young people the chance to enjoy a range of free holiday activities where they will also be offered free meals.

It is offered to Islington residents who are enrolled in schools from Reception to Year 11 (aged 4 to 16 years old) and who meet at least one of the following conditions:

- receive <u>benefits-related Free</u>
 <u>School Meals</u> (FSM)
- has an Education Health Care Plan (EHCP)
- can be referred by a social worker, family support worker or other professional.

To find out what's on and to book places you need to be registered on our central booking system.

Already registered – then just click the Bookings button on our webpage

Not registered – go to our webpage and follow the steps to registering

www.islington.gov.uk/lunchbunch

And there is more...

This winter we are offering young people and families a food hamper and a £12.00 Tesco voucher to make three delicious meals to share with family or friends, at home. Why not give cooking a try or if you already enjoy cooking give these recipes a go!

To get a hamper all you need to do is book a hamper using our booking system.

If you need any help with registering or booking places or a hamper: please contact The Lunch Bunch Team

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