

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

24th September 2021

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Welcome Back

We are all excited to be back together again for another wonderful year of learning. We look forward to welcoming parents and guardians to our class meetings as well as class assemblies again this term. Letters have been sent out to Key Stage 2 classes. Key Stage 1 and Early Years - your invitations are on their way.

As national restrictions have been lifted, DfE guidance means we still need to keep vigilant. We will continue our handwashing and sanitising routines, just as you are at home. Some social distancing remains in place. For example, we are not yet having all classes back together in assembly together, assemblies are restricted to year groups to ensure children and staff remain safe. Please ensure your children practise respiratory hygiene at home: "Catch it, Kill it, Bin it".

Swimming has also resumed for Years 3 and 4. Each class teacher has sent out letters with information about when your child's swimming lessons take place. We ask that you provide your child with a suitable swimming costume, swimming hat and goggles.

We look forward to working with you to make 2021-2022 a happy and successful year.

Thank you, as ever, for all your support.

Term Dates

THIS IS CLEARLY NOT A SENSIBLE TIME TO BE ORGANISING HOLIDAYS. HOWEVER, WE REMIND YOU THAT HOLIDAY LEAVE DURING TERM TIME WILL NOT BE GRANTED.

AUTUMN TERM 2021

Staff INSET Day: Wednesday 1st September

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Children Start: Monday 6th September

Half Term Holiday: Monday 25th to Friday 29th October

Last Day of Term Friday 17th December

SPRING TERM 2022

Staff INSET Day: Tuesday 4th January

Children Start: Wednesday 5th January

Half Term Holiday: Monday 14th to Friday 18th February

Last Day of Term: Friday 1st April

SUMMER TERM 2022

Staff INSET Day: Tuesday 19th April

Children Start: Wednesday 20th April

May Day Bank Holiday: Monday 2nd May

Half Term Holiday: Monday 30th May to Friday 3rd June

Last Day of Term: Friday 22nd July

Year 5's Corn Harvest



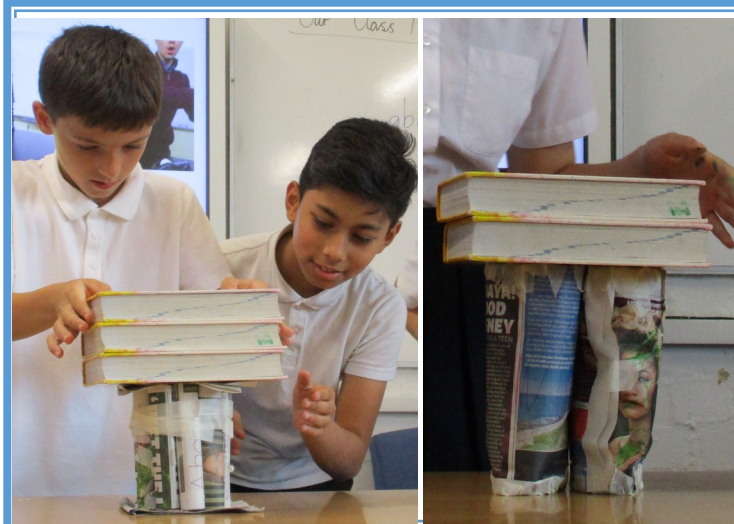
In the summer term, our current Year 5s planted some corn in our lower garden space. They were thrilled to see that the corn plants had grown high over the summer holidays and developed some healthy ears of corn. The children learnt that the ear is the spiked part of the corn plant that contains kernels. The kernels are the delicious yellow bits we love to nibble on. The children cut the kernels off the cobs and mixed them with tomatoes, onions and herbs to make delicious lettuce leaf tacos.



Music in Year 4

The children in Year 4 have been in fine voice recently as they learn new songs with our music teacher, Ms Stewart. It has been lovely to hear them practising ahead of the resumption of music assemblies this year.

Our Wider Opportunities music programme also begins for the children in Year 4 and continues for those in Year 5. This programme, which is run in partnership with Camden Music over a two year period, provides a wonderful opportunity for the children to learn to play both the violin and the recorder. Your child will soon return home with one of those instruments so that they can practise what they have learnt in class. You will receive more information about how you can support this wonderful programme in due course.



Year 6 started the term with a team building challenge. In groups, they had to build a tower using newspaper and masking tape, earning points for being the tallest, strongest or the best designed. Both classes showed some excellent team work and demonstrated all four Learning Power skills — Reciprocity, Resilience, Resourcefulness and Reflectiveness. It was also a fantastic opportunity to practise their talk skills. The children's creations were impressive – one group's tower was strong

Certificates of Achievement

Well done to our most recent certificate winners who were nominated for achieving well in their learning or behaviour. These children will be presented with their certificates in class or in their year group assembly:

Nursery: Yusayrah Khan, Ahnaf Karim, Aylah Tafader, Hafsa Aktar Ali

Reception: Aleesa Ariana Bhuiyan, Mishkaat Chowdhury, Umut Keskin, Giona Fekir Scifoni

Year 1: Mya Mohamed, Riley-James Wiggett, Rhys Vagadia, Ayesha Hussain

Year 2: Tanvir Ali, Layla Brown, Zakariya Hussain, Maysa Caarif

Year 3: Kian Amirifard, Yarah Moullin, Affaf Berkoun

Year 4: Afsana Abdul, Mohamed Abdullahi, Fatima Alam, Fatima Rahman

Year 5: Ramlo Harun, Ellie Shorehdeli Jessup, Ayaz Abdur-Rahman, Omer Ibrahimi

Year 6: Fatma Bahassan, Mohamed Ahmed, Isa Ahmed, Deon Ujupi



Congratulations