

# THE PAKEMAN PRESS



**Pakeman  
Primary  
School**

**Thank you for taking the time to read this weekly newsletter. We hope you will find its contents useful.**

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## Dear Parents/Carers

### School Photographs

The proofs of the children's school photographs were sent home on Monday and you have until next Thursday to place your orders. You can do this either:

- online (please follow the instructions with the proofs)
- By using the paper order form. Please hand this with the **CORRECT** money for each proof/order form into the school office.

### Ideas to support behaviour issues — Family Learning Course for parents/carers

There are 3 more sessions left of our FREE course on 'Behaviour Support for your Child' on Tuesday mornings from 9.05-11.00am and we now have a crèche available. **There are a few more places on the course, so even if you didn't attend the first two sessions you can come along next week to try it out.** You will learn about behaviours to encourage and discourage in children, routines and structure, boundaries and expectations, positive relationships and quality time together, plus actions and consequences. For more information, or to book a place please speak to Elizabeth or the anyone in the school office.

### Displays

We have some lovely displays around the school. This one is called the Wishing Tree and it was created by Helen and Rebecca. The children are really enjoying it because they can write their wishes on cards and hang them on the tree. The idea is based on the old tradition of a 'Cloutie well/tree' where people would tie ribbons as an offering or healing ritual.



### Computing ambassadors group

We have appointed six Digital Ambassadors (one from each KS2 class). They are Ameera (Brown), Suzan (Blue), Harun (Red), Berlain (Pink), Imran B (Purple) and Nizar (Orange). The group will meet with Anna, our computing technician, each week. They will learn how to solve basic IT problems and discuss ways to improve computing in school and promote e-safety (see p.2). They will also be in charge of looking after the equipment in their lessons, making sure iPads and laptops are put away properly etc. A big thank you to Anna for making this possible.

### Year 5/6 Maths

This week in Years 5 and 6 the children have had an exciting start to their new maths topic - fractions. Children had the opportunity to make their own pizza in groups, following a Jamie Oliver recipe, and finding out about traditional pizza in Italy. When the pizzas were cooked they worked in groups to cut their pizzas into fractions, starting with dividing into halves ( $1/2$ ), then quarters ( $1/4$ ) and finally into eighths ( $1/8$ ). After some tricky problem solving with fractions it was time for the children to eat the pizzas and enjoy their hard work. This type of practical work has really helped the children visualise maths and see things in a real life context.



## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

### Ideas to support behaviour issues

A 5-week course for parents/carers of EYFS children on Tuesdays 9.05-11.15am starting Tuesday 6th November

### Cinema Night

Tuesday 20th November

### Parents' Evenings

Thursday 22nd November

Tuesday 27th November

### Christmas Fair

Tuesday 4th December after school

### Last day of Term

Friday 21st December

**Please note that holidays are not authorised during term time. Unauthorised holidays could result in a penalty charge being issued to each parent with parental responsibility.**

## P4C QUESTION

Discuss this question at home, sharing your thoughts and ideas:

**How do you think animals communicate?**

## BEST OF THE OSCARS

**Redon (Yellow Class) for fantastic effort in literacy**



### Last week's best classes for attendance and punctuality

Year Group	Best Attendance	Most improved Attendance	Best Punctuality
EYFS & KS1	Green	Silver	Crimson & Green
KS2	Pink	Pink	Pink

### Word of the week

## Rowdy

**Definition:** noisy and disorderly

Use of the word **rowdy** in a sentence:

The team's supporters became quite **rowdy** when their team won the match, taking them into the next round of the tournament.

### SMART Rules for Online Safety

It is vitally important that children know how to stay safe online. At school, we have strict controls on the websites children can visit if they are using computer equipment. In addition, they are all taught about online safety. As parents/carers, it is equally important that you know what your children are doing online at home. So, ask your children to tell you about the sites they like to visit and what they enjoy doing online. Also, ask them about how they stay safe online and discuss the following SMART rules for Online Safety with them.



#### SAFE:

Keep your personal information safe. When chatting or posting online don't give away things like your full name, password or home address. Remember personal information can be seen in images and videos you share too. Keep them safe to keep yourself safe.

#### MEET:

Meeting up with someone you only know online, even a friend of a friend, can be dangerous as this person is still a stranger. If someone you only know online ever asks you to meet up, for personal information or for photos/videos of you then tell an adult straight away and report them together on [www.thinkuknow.co.uk](http://www.thinkuknow.co.uk)

#### ACCEPTING:

Think carefully before you click on or open something online (e.g. links, adverts, friend requests, photos) as you never know where they may lead to or they may contain viruses. Do not accept something if you are unsure of who the person is or what they've sent you.

#### RELIABLE:

You cannot trust everything you see online as some things can be out of date, inaccurate or not entirely true. To find reliable information compare at least three different websites, check in books and talk to someone about what you have found.

#### TELL:

Tell a trusted adult if something or someone ever makes you feel upset, worried or confused. This could be if you or someone you know is being bullied online. There are lots of people who will be able to help you, like your teachers, parents and carers or contact Childline – **0800 11 11** or [www.childline.org.uk](http://www.childline.org.uk)

#### BE SMART WITH A HEART:

Remember to always be smart with a heart by being kind and respectful to others online. Make the internet a better place by helping your friends if they are worried or upset by anything that happens online.

### Home Start Support Training and Volunteering Opportunity

If you are a parent or have parenting experience, would you like to enhance your skills and offer friendship and support to families with young children in Camden and Islington?

Can you give 3-4 hours weekly to visit a family with young children who may be going through a stressful time?

If so, Home Start are offering a **FREE** 8-day training course, as follows:

Tuesdays and Thursdays from 20th November—13th December 2018

For an information pack, please call: 020 7424 1603, email: [info@homestartcamden.org](mailto:info@homestartcamden.org) or check Home start's website: [www.homestartcamden.org.uk](http://www.homestartcamden.org.uk).

