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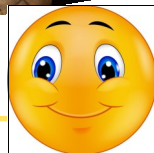
Thank you for taking the time to read this weekly newsletter. We hope you will find its contents useful.

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SMILEY FACES IN NURSERY

The children in the nursery have been enjoying making these delightful face biscuits. These photos show Cassie and Rome and all the tasty looking biscuits together.



"A smile is happiness you'll find right under your nose." Tom Wilson

Family Liason Update



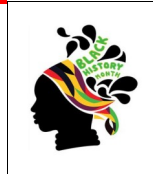
Usually, by this time in our Pakeman school term we would have held several events to offer parents and carers various opportunities to meet each other and for us to share with you many things that Islington has on offer. We have been unable to fulfil this face to face because of Covid restrictions. However, do look out for some information relating to zoom coffee mornings coming soon.

Rastamouse Stories



Join in with Lenny Henry as he reads two funny 'Rastamouse' stories. 'Crucial Plan' and 'Da Bag-a Bling' were both written by Michael de Souza and illustrated by Genevieve Webster. Suitable for KS2. Please click on the link to hear these two great stories. <https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/>

Diversity and Equality



At Pakeman, equality and diversity are part of our core values. In October, Black History Month marks a national opportunity to celebrate the achievements and contributions of black people. Over the long term we are working to enhance our provision further by reviewing our curriculum and building on the resources we have in school.

First News is a school magazine and it has produced an informative First News Live video on racism called **'I don't get it: racism and why is it still a big issue?'**. Please click [here](#) to view this. We would advise parents/carers to watch this video with their children so that you can discuss any questions that they may have once you have watched it together. We also recommend reading the following: **'A Parent's Guide to Black Lives Matter'**. This is a document for parents and carers to read and use with their children. It has information, resources and tips for families to empower children to work towards racial equality.

For further resources and things to explore and do at home the BBC have [school resources](#) which can also be used with parents. [Ceebies](#) also have resources to use with younger children. For good book ideas please click on this [good books](#) link to enjoy these lovely, inspiring and educational books.

Our Pakeman community stands together as a whole community united against racism.



Angela has been meeting with our school kitchen staff to design a delicious menu to celebrate Black History Month. This will be on Wednesday, 11th November. Thanks Angela!

P4C QUESTION

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



Can anything be perfect?

STARS OF THE WEEK

Zerina (Gold class)



Idris (Lilac class)



Leena (Orange class)



Attendance and Punctuality

Year Group	Best Attendance	Most Improved Attendance	Best Punctuality
EYFS & KS1	Silver class	Silver class	Silver class
KS2	Purple class	Blue class	Orange class

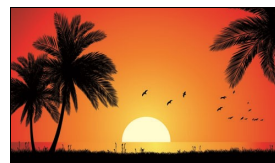


Who was the best class last week?



Word of the week

BREATHTAKING



Definition:

- Very surprising or delightful.

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

The view was utterly breathtaking as the sun lingered on the horizon.

Pakeman Gardening Club

Pakeman Primary have already achieved level 2 of the RHS gardening awards and are currently working towards level 3. Each week the gardening team meet with Marcia and choose a Head Gardener. So far, Hope has been consistently awarded this title. Yasin has been a very close second for his helpful and kind attitude.

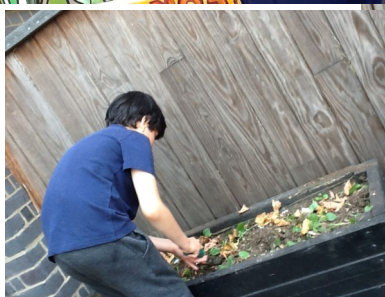


The Rainbow Gardeners first began by clearing out all the weeds which had taken over the gardening spots during lockdown. They had some enormous weeds to tackle! They prepared the soil then got together as a team to discuss what they might plant. They have now been hard at work for 4 weeks growing crops from seed. This week the gardeners have planted their first crop of vegetables. Look out for their freshly planted broad bean patch in the playground.

The Rainbow Gardening Team



Rainbow Gardening Team are:
Amarachi, Malone, Le Mae, Kemal, Arun, Yasin and Hope



The team working hard to extract some huge weeds.

Half Term in Islington



Islington have a number of things on offer. Hopefully the following links will be helpful and provide you with some ideas to consider during the October half term.

Events for adults and children: [Black History Month 2020](#)

Childcare and things to do: [Islington directory October 2020](#)

Islington Sports and Life Skills: [Multi Sport Programme October 2020](#)

PLEASE NOTE: SCHOOL CHILDREN RETURN TO PAKEMAN TUESDAY 3RD NOVEMBER