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

Dear Parents/Carers

Summer Holiday Playschemes

For information about the playschemes on in Islington during the Summer holidays please visit our website at: <https://www.pakemanprimary.co.uk/news/summer-holiday-playschemes-in-slinton/> If you would like to see a paper copy, please ask in the school office.

Parents' Evenings

Please sign up for an appointment with your child's class teacher at one of our two parents' evenings on Tuesday 3rd July and Thursday 5th July. This is a great opportunity to discuss your child's progress and we hope to see everyone there. You will find the signing up sheets outside the classrooms.

Summer Fair

Our exciting Summer Fair is on Wednesday 4th July from 3.30-5.00pm in the School Playground. There will be lots of attractions, including games, a bouncy castle and an Arsenal penalty shootout. We need cakes and soft drinks for the event, so if you can donate some of these, that would be much appreciated. Please hand donations into the school office.



Sports Day

Sports day is on Tuesday 10th July at the Market Road pitches and it promises to be a great day! We are really looking forward to seeing the children enjoying all the sporting events. The children will have a school packed lunch but please give them water to take with them. They must wear their Pakeman polo shirt, track suit bottoms or shorts, and trainers. If the weather is hot and sunny, please put sun cream on them and give them a cap or hat to wear. A letter has been sent home for you to return your permission slip to your child's class teacher. We need some parents/carers to help on the day. If you are able to help please indicate this on the permission slip.

Spaces available in 2+ Centre

We have morning and afternoon places available in our fun, exciting and nurturing 2+ centre for children born between 1st April and 31st August 2016 to start in September 2018.

Places are allocated on a first come first served basis. If you would like to apply for one of these places for your child, then please firstly check your eligibility on the Islington Council website under Admissions. Once you have a letter confirming your eligibility, then please contact Ann in the school office on 020 7607 2575 or email her at adwyer@pakeman.islington.sch.uk

Beanstalk

We were delighted to welcome some of our volunteer readers, as well as Lindsey (London Area Manager) and Lucy (Camden/Islington Coordinator) from Beanstalk to our special reading assembly last Monday. We work in partnership with Beanstalk, an organisation that provides voluntary readers to schools. Lindsey and Lucy were here at Pakeman to present us with a plaque to celebrate the 14 years that we have been working together during which our volunteer readers have been doing fantastic work with Pakeman children.



Congratulations

Huge congratulations to Emma and Ben on the birth of their baby boy, Elliott. We can't wait to meet him!

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Tuesday 3rd and Thursday 5th July

Parents' Evenings

Wednesday 4th July after school

Summer Fair

Tuesday 10th July

Sports Day

Friday 20th July

Last day of Summer Term
School closes at 1.30pm for all children.

Please note that there will be NO CLUBS during the last week of term (16th-20th July).

Playcentre will be open from Monday 16th to Thursday 19th July. There will be NO PLAYCENTRE on the last day of term (Friday 20th July) when all children are to be collected at 1.30pm.

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:

Is it more important to help yourself, help your family, help your society, or help the world?

BEST OF THE OSCARS

Ann and Estelle for organising the whole-school trip to Walton-on-the-Naze



Last week's best classes for attendance and punctuality

Year Group	Best Attendance	Most improved Attendance	Best Punctuality
EYFS & KS1	Gold	All < 95%	All >3 lates
KS2	Orange	Blue	Pink & Purple

Word of the week

Ebb

Definition: The movement of the tide out to sea; to recede

Example of a sentence using the word ebb:
As I stood on the beach and watched the ebb and flow of the waves I noticed the sun shimmering on the water.

Walton-on-the-Naze Whole School Trip

Pakeman was buzzing with excitement last Tuesday when a fleet of coaches arrived to transport everyone to Walton-on-the-Naze for a day of sun and sand!! And what a fantastic day they had at the seaside! As well as carrying the beachgoers the coaches were full of buckets and spades, bats and balls, beach balls and frisbees for the children to play with. So, once they arrived on the beach, there was lots of fun and games and, perhaps best of all, building of sandcastles and paddling in the sea—a real treat for children growing up in London. The children had an amazing time and arrived back at school tired, but very happy! Thank you to all the staff and parents/carers who made sure it was such an enjoyable day for the children, and very special thanks to Ann and Estelle for their smooth planning and organisation of the trip — it's a much bigger and more difficult task than most people probably imagine to coordinate a whole-school trip to the seaside!



2+ Centre

The 2+ theme this term is 'Summer'. They have been exploring songs, rhymes and stories such as 'We're all going on a summer holiday', the 'Summertime' song and the story of 'Duck and Goose go to the Beach' by Tad Hills. The children, their families and staff in the 2+ centre really enjoyed the wonderful trip to the seaside and they decided to extend this experience for all the children in the 2 + centre by creating their own summertime beach. Another fantastic event was when the children and families celebrating Eid shared their cultural foods and experiences during the 2+ Eid parties, which brought all our community together.



Coffee Morning

All Pakeman parents/carers are invited to our well-being coffee morning with Freya (CAMHS) on Thursday 5th July from 9-10am in the Lodge. Hope to see lots of you there.