

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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Friday 17th May 2019

Dear Parents/Carers

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT PLAYCENTRE AND CLUBS

Due to staff training, on Thursday 6th June and Monday 10th June there will be **NO CLUBS** after school, but Playcentre will be open as usual.

REMINDER: Polling Day 23rd May— School Closed

There is no school on Thursday 23rd May as the building will be a polling station for the European elections. School will be open as usual on Friday 24th May, the last day of the half term. **All children are expected to attend school on Friday 24th May. Any absence that day not accompanied by medical evidence will be considered unauthorised.**

FREE Breakfast Club for Year 2 in the week starting Monday 20th May

As a treat, the Year 2 staff will be running a free Breakfast Club for Year 2 children **ONLY** in the Middle Hall during the week Monday 20th-Friday 24th May at 8.15am (but not Thurs 23rd May when school is closed). This is a lovely opportunity for the children to spend a fun time with their friends while eating a good breakfast. We'd love to see all the Year 2 children there.

Cinema Night—Incredibles 2 (PG)

We are having a cinema night watching Incredibles 2 on Tuesday 21st May (6.00-8.00pm). Tickets, costing £1 each are available from the school office. Children aged 7 and under **MUST** be accompanied by an adult to watch the film. We look forward to seeing lots of children, as they really love this event.



Please can we remind parents/carers that while they can take photographs and record videos of their children during our assemblies, school productions, nativity and other school events, they MUST NOT post any images or video content onto any form of social media.

NURSERY PLACES AVAILABLE FOR SEPTEMBER 2019 INTAKE

We have nursery places available for the September 2019 intake. If your child was born between 1st September 2015 and 21st August 2016 you may be entitled to a full-time or part-time place. Please come into the school office for more details.

2+ CENTRE PLACES AVAILABLE FOR SEPTEMBER 2019 INTAKE



We have morning and afternoon places available for the September 2019 intake in our fun, exciting and nurturing 2+ centre for children born between:

1st April and 31st August 2017

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

Year 6 SATs Week

Well done to our Year 6 children who did their SATs in English and Maths this week. They have worked really hard during the year and have done their very best. Thank you to Year 6 parents/carers for their support and to all the Year 6 team and other members of staff who have worked with the children during the year, not only during school time, but also running boosters, Saturday School and Easter School. Their commitment has given the children as many learning opportunities as possible.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

KS1 SATS

Wednesday 15th-Friday 24th May

Cinema Night

Tuesday 21st May

Polling Day—School Closed

Thursday 23rd May

Half-term Holiday

Monday 27th May-Friday 31st May

Eid Party 'Bring a Dish to Share'

Tues 11th June 3.30pm

Bring a Parent to School

Year 5/6 Monday 24th June

Year 3/4 Tuesday 25th June

EYFS Wednesday 26th June

Year 1/2 Thursday 27th June

Last Day of Term

Friday 19th July

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:

Do the past and future exist?

BEST OF THE OSCARS

**A collective
Oscar for Year 6
pupils and staff
for their hard
work preparing
for SATS**



Last week's best classes for attendance and punctuality

Year Group	Best Attendance	Most improved Attendance	Best Punctuality
EYFS & KS1	Silver	Silver	Silver
KS2	Blue	Orange	Blue

Word of the week

Isolated

Definition:

When something is separate and not connected to other things

Use of the word *isolated* in a sentence:

The town was isolated by the floods.

The Summer Reading Challenge starts in July!



The Summer Reading Challenge takes place in your local library and is about encouraging children aged 4-11 to keep up their reading over the long break. The library service hopes parents and carers will help them to encourage their children to take part and be positive about their child's reading.

Every year there's a different theme and this year's is *Space Chase*. Children simply join at the local library, read 6 books between July and mid-September, collect stickers and mini-prizes and if they finish, get a certificate, a medal and a chance to win a special prize!

Last year over 1,000 children finished and lots of parents said how effective the Challenge was at keeping their child's reading on course...and how much fun they had! And it's totally free to take part!

While you're in the library, why not take part in one of their fun summer events. Look out for posters or see their events listed on www.hoop.co.uk

For more info about the Challenge, go to www.islington.gov.uk/libraries or call 020 7527 6900 to find out how your child can join in.

Libraries **FIND OUT WHAT'S HAPPENING IN YOUR LOCAL LIBRARY TODAY!**
ReadLearnConnect Visit www.islington.gov.uk/libraries

Mathletics

Children in KS1 and KS2 have received their Mathletics login cards this week. Mathletics is a fantastic online learning resource that allows pupils to practise the skills that they have worked on during maths lessons. Please spend some time with your child this weekend exploring the website at <https://login.mathletics.com/>

Special Lunch Events

The children can look forward to being treated to two special lunch events prepared by our kitchen staff!

The first is on Friday 24th May to celebrate British Sandwich Week. There will be a selection of sandwiches available: fish fingers & salad bun, cheese and pineapple wrap, and tuna & cucumber pitta, as well as five super salads and chips!

The second is on Friday 7th June to celebrate the Queen's 93rd birthday when there will be a special picnic menu, including mini chicken sausages, homemade wedges, cheese & potato whirls, carrot sticks, cucumber mini sandwiches, banana loaf, fruit platter, and lemon & mint flavoured water.

Pakeman Pound

Well done to all 145 children who achieved 100% attendance during the Spring Term. This number included one of our 2-year-olds, which is absolutely fantastic given the tendency for colds etc during the winter months. All 145 children were very excited to attend the prize-choosing event in the Lodge where they were able to choose 2 prizes from a range of different items.

The Summer term attendance figures will be calculated towards the end of the school year and we would love to see even more children achieving 100% attendance. To be clear about the rules—children must be in school every day during the calculation period. The only exception to this is if your child has a hospital, speech and language or CAMHS appointment that is evidenced by a letter or appointment card, as these appointments are not available outside school hours.

