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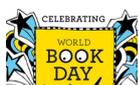
Thank you for taking the time to read this weekly newsletter. We hope you will find its contents useful.

2+ Settling In

The children in 2+ have settled in very well. They had a lovely time joining in with this week's Science Week activities. They have been busy planting beans. Hopefully we'll get some more photos from them in the future to see what they managed to grow in their pots.



Our 2+ children also had lots of fun on World Book Day. Here they are drawing, making masks and reading some favourite stories. It's lovely to see Elmer reading a story book!



Important Dates:

Spring Term Ends
Wed 31st March

Return To School
Tues 20th April

STAFF INSET DAY
Mon 19th April

POLLING DAY
Thurs 6th May
(school closed)

Covid Vaccination

If you are over 56, a frontline health or social care worker or clinically extremely vulnerable you now have the option of [booking your vaccine online](#). Or you can call 119 for free. If you prefer to receive the vaccine at a GP surgery, you must still wait to be contacted.



STARS OF THE WEEK



Isha	(Blue class)
Kinga	(Red class)
Erica	(Brown class)
Shardonnay	(Pink class)
Maryam	(Purple class)
Amira	(Orange class)
Adam	(Gold class)
Ibtissam	(Green class)
Cece	(Yellow class)
Amelia	(Silver class)
Dania	(Crimson class)
Julie	Nursery
Reggie	2 Plus

Comic Relief - Dress Up Red - Friday 19th March

Next Friday is Comic Relief. Red Noses will be available to buy from the school playground before and after school next week. On Friday, 19th March we are asking all Pakeman children to **come to school dressed in red** and to donate **£1** to the Comic Relief charity.



Red Nose Day donations help tackle important issues including homelessness, hunger, domestic abuse and mental health, all of which have been impacted by the Covid-19 pandemic.

The charity supports amazing organisations across the UK and around the world.

If you would like to find out more click on the link: <https://www.comicrelief.com/rednoseday/>

**COMIC
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British Science Week



British Science Week is a 10 day celebration of science, technology, engineering and maths and is taking place this week. The theme is **'Innovating for the future'**. The BBC offers excellent video links covering a range of science topics for children.

Click here to access these videos: [BBC - Science Week](https://www.bbc.com/science/children)



Next week our newsletter will showcase some work from science week at Pakeman.

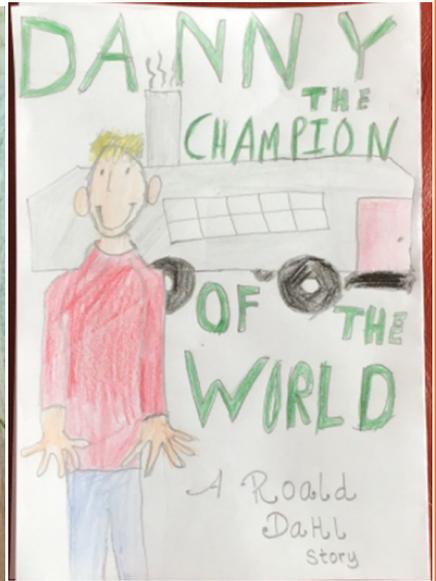
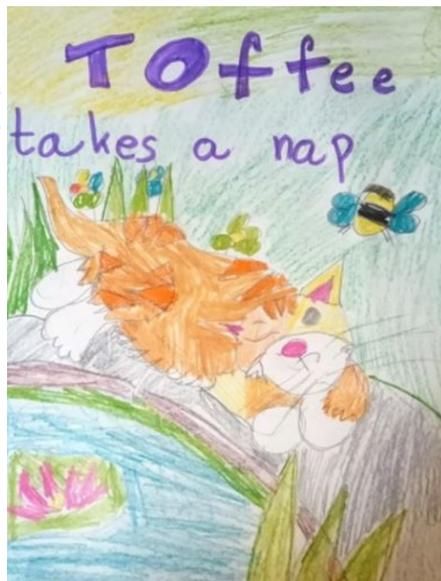
Book Cover Competition

We had some great entries for our World Book Day book cover competition.



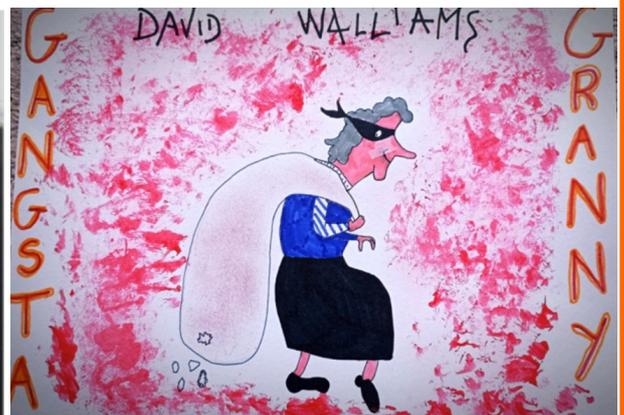
Our winners are:

**Louise (Silver class)
Sara (Yellow Class)
Umran (Orange Class)
Sebastiano (Brown Class)**



To view some of our other book cover competition entries, take a look at the school website this week.

We also have many fantastic dressed up book characters for you to check out on our school website too. You might be there. Take a look:



Take a look: <https://www.pakemanprimary.co.uk/>

Bright Start

Bright Start Islington offers a range of services for under fives and their families. These services run in children's centres, nurseries, health centres, community centres and libraries across Islington. They support families from pregnancy to a child's fifth birthday. Click on the link for the most recent version of the Bright Start Timetable. This is updated weekly so it's good to take regular checks.

<https://www.islington.gov.uk/children-and-families/childrens-centres-and-under-5s>



Made of Money Taster Sessions on Zoom

Join Denise from the *Made of Money* project for a series of free webinars where you can chat about money with other parents, from the comfort of your own sofa! You can come to one, two or all three - it's up to you.



16th March - Get Positive about Money

How does money make you feel? Happy, sad, angry?!

Join us to explore where your 'money mind-set' comes from, and to find out what might be influencing your spending habits.

18th March – Making a Money Plan

It's been a hard year for many of us financially. But now we're coming out of the pandemic, it's a good time to get our finances in order. Come and talk about some simple ways to do this.

23rd March - Chatting with Children about Money

How can we help our children understand what money is, and the role it plays in our lives? Talking to children about money helps them navigate the world around them, and gives them important life skills. Come and learn how you and your family can start to have those conversations.

Each webinar starts at 10.30am and lasts 30 minutes. For more information and to register, contact Marcia. You can ring the school office and ask to speak to Marcia or email her directly on mharris@pakeman.islington.sch.uk



Lunch Bunch

Lunch Bunch gives children living in Islington, the chance to enjoy free, fun activities alongside a free, healthy and nutritious lunch during school holidays. Lunch Bunch will be running during the 2021 Easter holidays in various places across the borough. All activities will be supervised by caring adults in a supportive and safe environment. There are a limited number of spaces available at all activity centres.

If you need help with getting food or need family support, there are a range of services to help you. For further information please get in touch with the **Lunch Bunch team**:

email lunch.bunch@islington.gov.uk or call the Family Information Service on 020 7527 5959

If you need family support or help to get food, additional information about services available can also be found on our Pakeman website: <https://www.pakemanprimary.co.uk/>



Islington - New Job Portal - Local jobs for local people

If you are an Islington resident looking for a job, or an employer wanting to recruit, you can register here for further information: <https://www.islingtonworking.co.uk/> **Islington Working** is a partnership of agencies, working together to help local residents to access good local jobs.

