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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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Years 3 and 5 – Explore the artist JMW Turner

Children in years 3 and 4 have been studying landscape paintings by [JMW Turner](#). After sketching what they could see in the sky (rather than what they wanted to see), they mixed watercolours to create a dramatic sky in Turner's style. Which emotions can you see in their paintings?



The Tate Gallery have a great learning section on their website called [Tate Kids](#) with lots of information if you want to learn more about this artist. They also have a fun quiz which you might want to have a look at over half term. Click on the Tate quiz link and have a go: [Turner, turnip or turtle?](#)



Ducky, Fluffy and Rainbow

All three eggs have now hatched and the Reception children have named the ducks - Ducky, Fluffy and Rainbow. The great news is that Emma has decided that we are going to keep the ducks in school and look after them. Very exciting news!



Important Dates:

Half Term Holiday

Mon 31st May - Fri 4th Jun

Back to school:

Mon 7th June

ISLINGTON LIBRARIES

Archway Library [020 7527 7820](tel:02075277820)

Cat & Mouse [020 7527 7900](tel:02075277900)

Central Library [020 7527 6900](tel:02075276900)

Finsbury Library [020 7527 7960](tel:02075277960)

Lewis Carroll [020 7527 7936](tel:02075277936)

Mildmay Library [020 7527 7880](tel:02075277880)

N4 Library [020 7527 7800](tel:02075277800)

North Library [020 7527 7840](tel:02075277840)

South Library [020 7527 7860](tel:02075277860)

West Library [020 7527 7920](tel:02075277920)

STARS OF THE WEEK



Mansor
Cassie
Samad
Taheem
Nina
Medina
Elanur
Emre
James
Hope
Sofia
Ayub
Imran E

2 +
Lilac
Silver
Crimson
Yellow
Gold
Green
Pink
Purple
Orange
Brown
Red
Blue

Well done superstars!

Attendance and Punctuality

Year Group	Best Attendance	Most Improved Attendance	Best Punctuality
EYFS & KS1	Yellow class	—	Crimson class
KS2	Brown class	Red class	Brown class



Who was the best class last week?



Word of the Week

PRIVILEGE

- A special right or advantage given to one person or group.

Use of the word *privilege* in a sentence:

Kings and queens often have the privilege of living in a huge palace.



Gardening with Marcia

Marcia's Gardening Club carried on this week with their tomato growing project. The group have now planted their seeds. Let's see if their seeds begin to grow over half term! We look forward to finding out what happens next.



2+ children

The children in 2+ have been practising their balancing skills. They were also learning how to help each other balance when needed.



Well-being Research Project

Some year 5 children have been involved in a new research project this week on well-being support in schools. The project was led by some researchers at the University of Manchester. The aim was to find out what children and young people want well-being support to look like in schools. The project was commissioned by the National Institute of Health and Care Excellence (NICE) and is being carried out in several schools across the country.



Very well done to Xayaana, Kayden, Adam, Jet, Yusuf, Zayn, Saedah and Zuleka for taking part in the research focus group in this project. The researchers said that the children's contributions were amazing and that they were all really helpful in the research group. Each of these children will receive a book voucher and a certificate to thank them for their participation.



Holiday Play Schemes in Islington

Holiday play schemes will be running across Islington during half term for children. Parents and carers can book paying places direct with play scheme providers. Some free places for vulnerable children can be booked by practitioners direct with providers. For more information about play scheme locations and any eligibility for free places go to the [Islington Directory](#).



Free Access To Sport

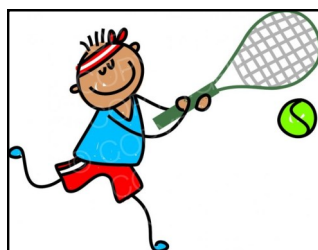


The Access to Sports Project offers an extensive programme of **free sports camps** and is designed for residents of Islington, Hackney and Haringey. Their qualified coaching team deliver sessions in a range of sports including football, archery, tennis, rugby, athletics, basketball, netball and multi sports camps. If you're interested go to online bookings and timetables on their website: [Access To Sports](#)

Tennis For All

Tennis For All runs a mixture of both **free and low cost tennis programmes** using community spaces and the park courts across Islington. The key aim of the project is to promote weekly physical activity and social inclusion playing tennis. There are limited spaces still available at some venues over half term.

For more details click: [Tennis For All](#) or call **0207 686 8812**



Free Family Time Tennis

If any families want to book their own tennis court for private play they can use some Islington tennis courts for free during half term 1 - 4pm. There are adult courts suitable for experienced and older children as well as mini courts for children 9 and under. All equipment is provided. **Courts must be booked in advance.** [Finsbury Park Tennis Camps](#)

Islington Library - Homework Clubs

There's a free drop-in homework club in every library, with staff on hand to help your child with their school work. Staff don't tutor children but can help them find the information they need and advise them on how to use it. Library staff will also set aside a time to listen to your child reading as they know that this will encourage them to enjoy books and improve their skills. You can take in your own book or chose one from the library.



Homework clubs run during term-time only. You can drop in without booking – but best to get there early as reading sessions may be timed and availability is limited. Children under 8 must be accompanied by a parent or carer and all children need parental permission to use the internet. To find out details and times of your nearest homework club pop into your local library over half term or contact them by phone. Details in the link: [Islington Libraries](#)

Home Learning Ideas for Half Term

A group of Early Years practitioners have created a bank of ideas and activities to share with parents and carers. The ideas are play based and great to do with young children at home. Take a look at the website and hopefully you'll find something fun to do. [Home Learning Ideas](#)

Here are a few examples from the website:

Shadow Drawing

Make the most of the sun and explore light and shadows.

Place your object of choice on your paper and use it as a guide to trace the outline.



Aidan Slinn

In the basket!

You will need:

A bin, basket or empty box
Paper or foil

Screw up paper or aluminum foil to make your lightweight balls. Stand from a distance can you hit the target? Move back a step each time – see how skilful you are?



Victoria Mason



Kelly Zreika

Masking Tape Track

All you need for this really simple but effective activity is a roll of masking tape, a space and some wheeled toys.

Make a track with your tape (dont forget to include some twists and turns).

Play!

PHONICS PEG HUNT

Write some letters on a set of pegs and hide them around your house or garden. Write the letters on a piece of card. Ask your child to hunt for the pegs and match them to the letters on the card.



Emily Palmer



You Will Need: •A piece of card •A bag of pegs •A permanent marker

Silly Socks

Lucy from Gympanzees has created some fun easy games, and all you need are some socks! These games help to build interactions between young children and their parents and carers, support hand eye coordination and encourage movement in a fun way.

If you're looking for an easy way to fill in some time over the half term holiday then get a pile of socks and watch the video link for some great games ideas.

[Silly Socks](#)

