

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 27th January 2023

Lunar New Year

Lunar New Year is a big event for many East and South East Asian people. Families and friends get together to eat lots of delicious food, enjoy fireworks, wear special clothes and hang red lanterns. At Pakeman, some children had their own class celebrations. They made traditional dragons and lanterns. They also tried foods, including tasty rice cakes and noodles. Our EYFS children have been very busy with their celebrations.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

STRIKE SCHOOL CLOSURE
Wed 1st February

Half term:

Monday 13th February

Friday 17th February

Lucky Winner

Congratulations go to Laith in Pink class - the lucky winner this week in our prize draw. Laith has won 2 tickets for a tour of the Emirates Stadium.

Well done!



STARS OF THE WEEK



Indigo	Melina
Lilac	Khang
Silver	Nasir
Crimson	Ishak
Yellow	Kiah
Gold	Antony
Green	Alisha
Pink	Nyla
Purple	Aysha
Orange	Maria
Brown	Taseen
Red	Aran
Blue	Ahmad

Well done superstars!



National Child Measurement **Reminder**

Dates for the National Measurement Programme will be sent out to Reception and Year 6 parents and carers to arrange the weighing and measuring of children in those classes. Parents and carers who do not want their child to take part must return the opt-out slip on the letter to the school reception by **6 February**.



Attendance and Punctuality

Year Group	Best Attendance	Most Improved	Best Punctuality
EYFS & KS1	Green Class	Under 96%	Crimson Class
KS2	Blue Class	Under 96%	Pink Class



Pakeman Choir

On Monday, the Pakeman Primary School Choir travelled to the O2 Arena in Greenwich to take part in Young Voices 2023. There were just over 9000 children at the event from different schools across London and beyond. The children performed with a live band, some famous singers and musicians, a beat box collective and an award winning street dance group. The Pakeman Primary Choir were amazing and we are very proud of them.

Choir rehearsals take place on Thursdays after school for children in years 3, 4, 5 and 6. If you are interested in your child joining, please contact the school office.



Families, Food & Feelings Parenting Workshop

Free online session for parents and carers of children aged 5-17 who live in or attend school in Islington or Camden.

7th February
10:00-12:00
Online session

The friendly facilitators provide strategies and insight to help parents feel confident in:

- Making mealtimes enjoyable
- Setting healthy boundaries
- Encouraging children to eat more fruit and vegetables
- Modelling healthy behaviours
- Understanding emotional eating
- Helping children to have a healthy relationship with food and more...

Please register for this session via the Eventbrite Link below:



Email brandoncentre.healthyliving@nhs.net for more information

Road Safety Play

This week, year 5 and 6 watched a play performed by The Riot Act. The play was called '*The incident at Station Road - a crime scene investigation.*' The children were presented with a mock-up scene where they listened to witness statements, looked for clues and questioned characters, in order to find out how an accident happened at a zebra crossing.

Thanks to Rob for organising this performance.



would you like to be a
families for life
community
champion?



Would you make a good Families for Life Community Champion?

Families For Life are looking for volunteers to encourage families in Islington to get active and eat well.

The Families for Life programme offers free healthy eating and active play activities for families with children aged 2 to 11.

To get involved you should be:

- An Islington resident
- Committed to improving the health of your community
- Available to volunteer two to three hours a week

Community Champions will learn about health and wellbeing. They will have access to free training and ongoing support. It's a great opportunity for you to meet new people, improve your communication skills and boost your confidence.

Training for the Families for Life Community Champion programme begins
Thursday 23 February 2023 at Islington Town Hall.

Families for Life Community Champions' Induction Training - **FREE**

Dates: Thursday 23 February - Thursday 30 March 2022 (6 weeks) Time: 9.30 – 12.30am

If you would like to apply please complete the application form here:

<https://forms.office.com/e/fU1m5QUCyS>

If you have any questions please contact Natasha Miller, Community Champion Co-ordinator on 07974604133 or via natasha.miller@islington.gov.uk

**Pakeman's
Movie
Night**

2nd February • 4-6pm
Reception, Years 1 and 2
With Parents
£1 ticket per child
includes hot chocolate and popcorn
book in advance to ensure a place

POP-CORN

Book Now

We still have tickets available.
Send **£1** into school with your
child and Marcia will issue a
Movie Night ticket.



Bring a blanket
and cushions to
get cosy.

