

# THE PAKEMAN PRESS



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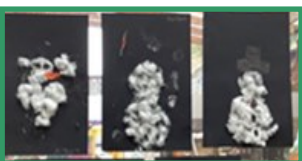
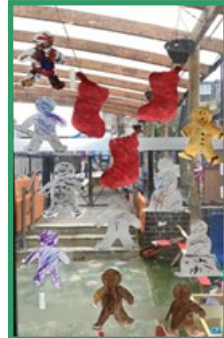
Thank you for taking the time to read this weekly newsletter. We hope you will find its contents useful.

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Friday 15th December 2023

## Early Years Get Festive

All the children in Early Years have been busy this week making their decorations for the Winter Fair. Holly class decided to go with their class name and make holly wreaths! Here are some photos to give you a flavour of the festive activities across Early Years.



## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

End of Term

Thurs 21 December  
**1.30 Finish**



Start of Spring Term

Tues 9th Jan 2024

Early School Closure:

Prompt school closure 3:30pm on:

16th January 2024

## SUPERSTARS



Elm	Andria
Pine	Clayton
Cherry	Yunus
Holly	River-Blu
Maple	Shakaiyla
Willow	Maryah
Palm	Holden
Banyan	Alisha
Olive	Imran
Cedar	Melissa
Mahogany	Hasnaa
Eucalyptus	Adil
Sequoia	Emre

Well done Superstars



## Attendance and Punctuality

Year Group	Best Attendance	Most Improved	Best Punctuality
EYFS & KS1	Under 96%	Under 96%	Holly Class
KS2	Banyan Class	Olive Class	Over 3 lates



## Thank You To Our Kitchen Team

A huge thank you to Vida and her kitchen team for the scrumptious Christmas lunch this week. We also say a big thanks to the team for all the hard work they do throughout the year in our Pakeman kitchen.



## Futurezone Poetry Competition

Some lovely news to share, from years 5/6 this week, is that the **Futurezone Poetry competition 2023** has been won by Jiana in Sequoia Class. All three classes have been studying a programme of poems for many weeks, reading poems by Joseph Coelho, *Rainbow* by John Agard, *To James* by Frank Horne, and *United Way* by Amanda Gorman. The children responded to the poems each week on a blog with six other Islington schools, and posted their own poems inspired by each one. Each child then wrote a final poem.

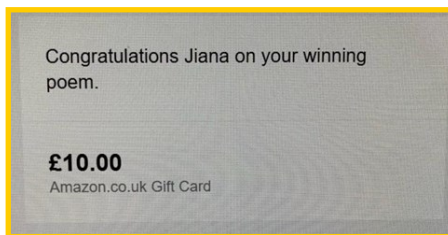
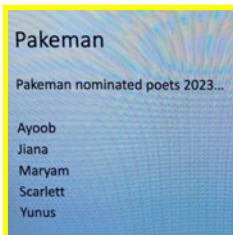
Michael Walsh, chose a shortlist of five Pakeman winners. From that list, Jiana was chosen as the **Futurezone Pakeman Poet 2023** for her poem, 'Threads'. Very well done Jiana.



## Threads by Jiana

**The needle with a tiny entrance,  
Where only something so small could pass.  
We leave everything to fate and belief  
Weaving through and through.**

**The threads that tie us together,  
Unwavering and unbreakable  
Could never be left in the hands of fate.  
The bonds you keep are yours  
And will always be with you.**



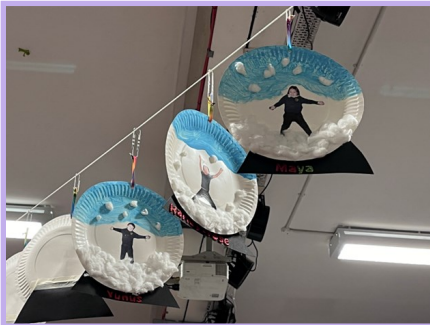
## Lee's Cinema Trip

Thanks to Lee a lucky group of children got to visit the cinema to see the latest Wonka movie this week. Well done to everyone who went - the behaviour was excellent!



## Winter Fair Preparation

A huge thank you to Marcia for all her hard work in preparing for what we're sure will be another great opportunity for our families to get together at our Pakeman Winter Fair. Thank you, once again, Steve for making the hall look so festive and lovely. Thanks also to all our children and staff for producing such lovely festive art work at this particularly busy time of the school year.



We would also like to extend a huge thank you to some of our local sponsors, who continue to support us and have supported our Winter Fair this year - to Waitrose, Selbys and to Charlie and all the lovely staff at Broccoli Cafe for their generous donation of cakes and pastries for the fair! We appreciate your support enormously.



## Easy Fundraising - shopping online

We continue to increase the number of wonderful fundraising supporters we have through online shopping using the [easyfundraiser](https://www.easyfundraiser.com) website. If you shop online you could help us. Sign up, install the donation reminder and get shopping. It's easy. Every little adds up to make something bigger and supports Pakeman. Thank you.



Capital City College Group

# Multiply

## FREE MATHS SKILLS COURSES

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Multiply is a brand-new programme designed to help adults in London improve their maths skills to help with everyday life and provide more opportunities.

**Multiply courses can help you to:**

- Improve your confidence
- Manage your money
- Strengthen skills in the workplace
- Upskill to access better job opportunities
- Gain a maths qualification if you don't have one
- Support your children while improving your own skills
- Access maths if you've found it hard to access before

**To be eligible you must:**

- Have the right to live and work in UK
- Be aged 19+
- Live in London
- Not have maths GCSE at grade C (or equivalent)
- Have evidence of 3 years of residency in the UK

for more details, email the Multiply team on: [Multiply@capitalccg.ac.uk](mailto:Multiply@capitalccg.ac.uk) or scan the QR code



Having a good level of maths skills can help you find more job opportunities and lead to higher wages or can help you prepare for further study. They also help in everyday life, for example helping children with homework and budgeting.

Launching this year across the UK, 'Multiply' is a new government funded programme to help adults improve their numeracy skills.

If you're aged 19 and over and don't have maths GCSE Grade 4 Grade C or equivalent, you can access free numeracy courses through Multiply to build your confidence with numbers and gain a qualification.

We are partnered with the Mayor of London to deliver free Multiply courses designed to fit into your daily life, including evenings and weekends.

**Are you interested in taking part in Multiply? Simply register your interest**

If you have any queries or are an employer who is interested in taking part, please email the Multiply Team on [Multiply@capitalccg.ac.uk](mailto:Multiply@capitalccg.ac.uk)

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## Multiply

Multiply is a brand new programme designed to help adults in London improve their math skills. Capital City College is working closely with local partners to deliver Multiply at a location that's convenient for you. They run a variety of courses, including: money management, supporting you to support your children, and helping you to gain a Maths Qualification if you don't have one.

Multiply is delivered as a series of short, interactive workshops where tutors will help you and teach you how to overcome any issues mathematics presents in everyday life.

### Enrolment Dates– please contact the venue for information.

To be eligible for Multiply you must:

- Have the right to live and work in the UK
- Be aged 19 or above.
- Live in London
- Not have math GCSE at grade C or above (or equivalent)
- To have resided in the UK for 3 years at least Evidence to bring;
- ID (e.g. Passport, Biometric Card or Birth Certificate) to allow us to confirm age and identity.
- Utility Bill/Bank Statement/Benefit Statement dated within the last three months to confirm your address.

Confirmation of your immigration status (for Non-British citizens, or willingness to allow us to check your status online for those with EUSS).