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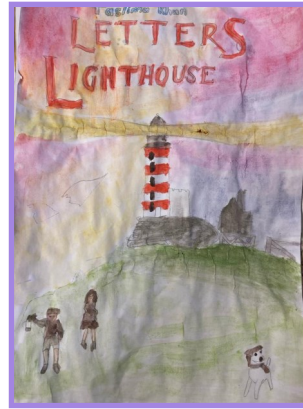
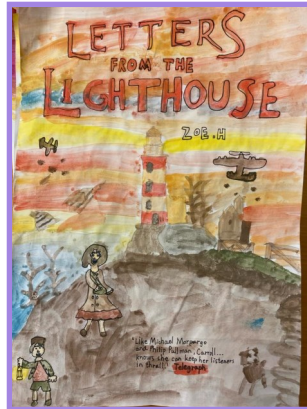
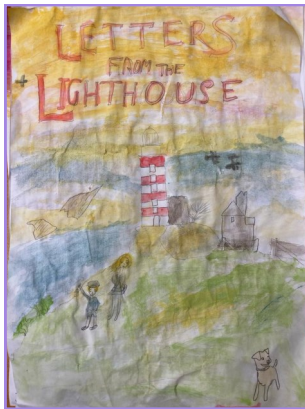
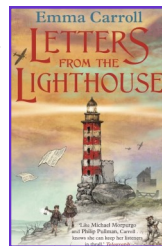
Thank you for taking the time to read this weekly newsletter. We hope you will find its contents useful.

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Friday 12th January 2024

## Letters From The Lighthouse

Children in Year 5 and 6 have been busy reading their class novel *Letters From The Lighthouse* by Emma Carroll. This novel supported their WW2 work. As part of their class work, they had to write their own final chapter and produce their own front covers for the novel. Their covers are amazing. Here are three examples from Zoe, Liyana and Taslima.



## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

### Half Term:

Monday 12th February

Friday 16th February

### End of Term:

Thursday 27th March



**Please note:** Holidays are **not** authorised during term time. Unauthorised holidays could result in penalty charges being issued to parents and carers.

## Free Access to Sport

The Access to Sport team have updated their sports programme. It continues to offer **free** sports coaching for residents of Islington, Hackney and Haringey.

Coaching sessions include a range of sports. These are basketball, football, multi-sports, tennis, girl only groups and more.

For further information and new timetables please click on the link: [Access To Sport](#)



## Special Effort

A very well done to Adam A in Willow Class who has made a really beautiful elephant at home as part of their new science topic.



Adam will receive a prize from Emma next time he visits her office. Well done for making such a special effort!

## SUPER STARS



Our super stars this week are Gill, Steve, Ann and Estelle

for all the amazing work that they constantly do behind the scenes at Pakeman.

Thank you!



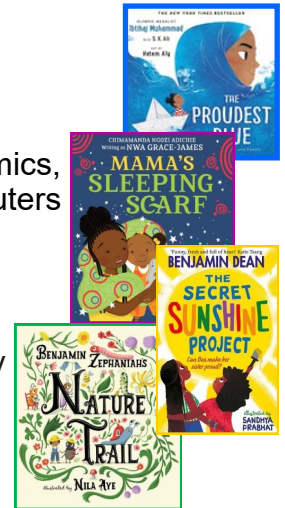
## Library services for families, children and young people

### Did you know?

Every library has a children's area with books, music, story CDs, comics, games and toys to play with. Other children's resources include free computers and wi-fi. There are also weekly **Baby Bounce Rhyme Times** and **Under 5s Story and Song sessions** [Rhyme Time Story Times and Toys](#)

Joining your local library service is **free**, and once you are a library member you are welcome to use any library in your local authority.

[Local Library Membership](#)



### Toy Libraries

Parents and carers can borrow up to three toys for three weeks, **free of charge**. This is a super facility. Toys can be borrowed at the following times:

- Mildmay Library: Thursdays 11.30am-1pm
- North Library: Tuesdays 11.30am-1pm
- West Library: Fridays 11.30am-1pm
- Finsbury Library: Thursdays 11.30am-1pm



You can find out more by downloading [Local Library Times and Facilities](#)

### Programme details

Location: Ambler Children's Centre, Blackstock Road, N4 2DR

Date: Tuesday 16th January 2024 for 13 weeks (term-time only)

Time: 10.00am-1.00pm

Facilities: Refreshments and light meal provided

Contact: [Early.Help@islington.gov.uk](mailto:Early.Help@islington.gov.uk)  
Bright Futures helpline 0207 527 4343 for more information



A free inclusive course to help parents and carers raise happy confident children all ages from babies to teens



strengthening families  
strengthening communities

Check out some of these workshops available to Islington parents and carers.

# Calmer Nights Sleep Workshop

Wed 24 Jan 2024

12:00 - 14:00

Online

For many families with young children a good night's sleep can be a rare treat!

Join us to explore ways to improve both your and your child's sleep and to feel more confident about your family's routine.

**Note:** Only parents who live or have a GP in Islington are eligible to access this workshop.

To book - click on link [Calmer Nights Sleep Workshop](#)



## Speech and Language

### Advice during these sessions:

**New River Green Children's Centre**  
Friday, 12<sup>th</sup> January (9:30am – 11am)

**Herongate House**  
Tuesday, 16<sup>th</sup> January (10 – 11:30am)

**Conewood Children's Centre**  
Wednesday, 24<sup>th</sup> January (3:30 – 5pm)

**Minik Kardes @  
The Factory Children's Centre**  
Monday, 29<sup>th</sup> January (3 - 4:30pm)

**Highbury Bandstand**  
Wednesday, 7<sup>th</sup> February (10 – 11:30am)

**Central library**  
Friday, 9<sup>th</sup> February (11 – 12pm)

[brightstartcentral@islington.gov.uk](mailto:brightstartcentral@islington.gov.uk)  
020 7527 8465



**Kirsty Ayers,**  
Speech and language therapist,  
will come and share  
tips and ideas to support  
children's communication  
and language development



### Early Communication Workshop



The Bright Start Speech and Language therapy team invite **parents/carers of children aged 12 months and under** to come with their babies to a workshop on **Early Communication**.

This workshop will cover information about early communication development and give you some ideas on ways you can support your child's communication development and play skills.

The next workshop will take place on:

**Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> February**

**1 – 2pm at New River Green Children's Centre**

To register for this workshop, please contact Bright Start Central by email or phone.



[brightstartcentral@islington.gov.uk](mailto:brightstartcentral@islington.gov.uk)



0207 527 8465



**Any questions?** Speak to a Bright Start Practitioner or call the Bright Start Speech and Language therapy team on 0203 316 1897



### Building Joint Attention & Interaction

#### A Speech and Language Therapy Parent Workshop

An **online workshop for parents** who would like practical ideas and tips to develop their child's attention and interaction in play and everyday activities.



**Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> February at 10:30 - 11:45 am**

**Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March at 10:30 – 11:45 am**

Delivered online on Microsoft Teams



Email the Bright Start Speech and Language therapy team to book a place:

[whh-tr.bssltparentworkshop@nhs.net](mailto:whh-tr.bssltparentworkshop@nhs.net)

Tell us:

- Your name
- Your child's name
- Your child's date of birth
- Contact telephone number

Places are limited. An invitation email and link will be sent to your email address a few days before the workshop.



**Any questions?** Speak to a Bright Start Practitioner or Bright Start Speech and Language therapy team on 0203 316 1897



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-  Search for us
-  Your favourite brands donate whenever you spend with them



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**Well done! Through the Easyfundraising website we have now raised enough money to have a fantastic Music Workshop day for Nursery children!**

**Through 2024 we hope to do much more so PLEASE**

**get signed up, install the donation reminder and help us reach our target of **£500.****