

THE PAKEMAN PRESS

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



Pakeman Primary School

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Friday 22nd March 2024

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

End of Term:

Thursday, 28th March
School closes 1.30pm



New term begins:

Tuesday, 16th April

Please Note:

2+ will return to school
Wednesday, 17th April



Coffee Morning with Natalie

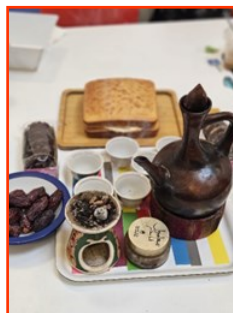
We've had a great start to our World Food Coffee Mornings. Last week, the first one kicked off with East African Food. The forum provided a wonderful opportunity for a number of our lovely parents and carers to come together to share food, music and laughter. Thank you to Suad for the great henna tattoos - it really made the event extra special. Thanks to everyone who contributed, including Natalie for organising this event.

Next theme:

North African + European Food
Thursday 25th April



All welcome.



Red Nose Day

Pakeman children and staff had a huge amount of fun on Red Nose Day and managed to raise an amazing

£662.08

Thank you to everyone involved on the day but, in particular, to Zehra who organised the events that took place. Well done!



SUPERSTARS



Elm	Kareem
Pine	Ayaz M
Cherry	Lily
Holly	Aliyah
Maple	Hana
Willow	Maryam
Palm	Jamilla
Banyan	Matt
Olive	Nyla
Cedar	Perla
Mahogany	Mohamad
Eucalyptus	Adil
Sequoia	Aran

Well done Superstars



Attendance and Punctuality

Year Group	Best Attendance	Most Improved	Best Punctuality
EYFS & KS1	Holly Class	Cherry Class	Pine Class
KS2	Eucalyptus Class	Banyan Class	Banyan Class Eucalyptus Class



Prayer Room

This is a reminder that our Prayer room will now run from:

12:45 - 1:15

Tuesdays
Intervention Room (Top floor)

Thursdays
Therapy Room



Thank You To Our Amazing Volunteer Readers

Pakeman has a fantastic team of reading volunteers who come in each week, whatever the weather, to read with selected children in KS2. This builds reading confidence as well as resilience and relationship skills. Our volunteers come from all walks of life and are able to share their skills and experiences with the children. They are very much part of the Pakeman community and we thank them for their time and commitment. This week, Marta and Emma organised a lovely lunch to bring them all together and to reiterate to them just how much they mean to us all here at Pakeman.



Create Club With Marcia

Create club has had another very busy and enjoyable week. This week, those attending made objects out of clay and painted them. Marcia and a group of Create Club families will be heading off to the Aquarium next week so they can get some inspiration for their next theme, which is WATER.



Programme details

Location: Pakeman Primary School, Hornsey Road, N7 6DU

Date: Wednesday 17th April 2024 for 13 weeks (term-time only)

Time: 10.00am-1.00pm

Facilities: Refreshments and light meal provided

Contact: 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

The course will help you to

- Build positive family relationships
- Manage anger and stress
- Implement effective discipline strategies
- Gain confidence and communication skills
- Understand your child's development
- Recognise and value your family and cultural traditions
- Meet others and share ideas



All groups end with a celebration.
You will receive a certificate and a parent manual.

About the programme

This is a popular parenting programme for anyone raising children. We welcome parents and carers from all backgrounds who would like to work on their parenting skills and build positive relationships with their children.

We've had such wonderful feedback from parents and carers that have previously taken part in this programme. Please contact Natalie if interested: nbrooms@pakeman.islington.sch.uk

British Science Week

British Science Week is a national annual ten-day celebration of science, technology, engineering and maths. This year, this took place 8-17 March. Throughout the week, all Pakeman children enjoyed a range of scientific investigations as part of the national celebrations.



Here we can see some fantastic learning taking place in our Early Years. Nesim also organised a great science assembly for everyone.



If you would like to get more involved with science activities at home click on the link below. Also don't forget to have a go at some of the science homework ideas that Nesim shares regularly. **Any science activities that are ever suggested via this newsletter are to be carried out with an adult.**

[Home Based Activities](#)





Lunch Bunch
Islington's Holiday Activities
and Food programme



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FREE!

Holiday Activities

with Lunch

During the spring, summer and winter end of term school holidays

Join in or try something new – there is something for everyone!

Islington Council's free school holidays programme with lunch has so much to offer. Join in with a range of activities, from multi-play and sport to arts and more.



What's on and how to book

To find out what's on, to check your eligibility, to register and book activities, simply scan the QR code or visit islington.gov.uk/lunchbunch

This programme is available to young Islington residents 4-16 years, enrolled in school and eligible for benefits-related free school meals. The programme also includes free for all activities and paid for places.

REMINDER - Free holiday and lunch programme

Running this Spring Holiday:
2 April – 12 April 2024

This programme is for Islington young people, aged 4-16 years (up to 18 with SEND) who are eligible for benefits related free school meals or who can be referred by a professional.

Offering many activities - theatre, dance, sports, playschemes, SEND activities, adventure playgrounds and more!

Alongside free activities a free healthy lunch is provided.



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Islington Adult and Community Learning are delivering a great opportunity for parents/carers to attend a course

Level 1 Preparing to Work with Children in Schools
starting Tuesday April 16th 2024 (for 10 weeks)
9:45 - 12:45

First Steps Learning Centre. Central Library N7

This course provides knowledge and skills in how to support children and young people in education. One of the key components of building progress and achievement in children's learning, is the ability and confidence of the adults who support them.

FREE - to the majority of Islington residents (others outside the borough also qualify to attend)

Parents/carers interested can email directly to:

allison.mcclean@islington.gov.uk

Click the link for further information: [Adult Learning](#)



Book Early and take advantage of FREE swimming lessons!

FREE SWIMMING LESSONS IN ISLINGTON

Throughout the school holidays and in partnership with Islington Council, we are proud to be able to offer a variety of free swimming lessons for children and families. Lessons will run during Easter, May Half Term, Summer and October Half Term. Sessions include:

- Adult and child swimming lessons: 6-week course for under 3's *Summer holiday only
- Swimming lessons for 4-13-year-olds, intensive lessons, Monday - Friday for 1 or 2 weeks
- Teen swimming lessons 13-16-year-olds, intensive lessons, Monday - Friday for 1 or 2 weeks
- Family swimming lessons, 6-week course for up to 2 adults and 2 children to learn to swim together and enjoy the pool together *Summer holiday only

To apply please scan QR code or visit website at better.org.uk/free-swimming-lessons

You can email for more information at summer.lessons@gll.org

