THE PAKEMAN **PRESS**

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

Fire Safety Talk

Year 2 enjoyed a visit this week from the London Fire Brigade. They learned all about fire safety. There was an emphasis on safety in the home and making a plan in case of a fire. They also learnt some fun rhymes about how to be safe.

The Fire Safety Education Team have also created lots of resources for you to use at home when teaching your child about fire safety.

Fire Safety At Home - for children





GET OUT

STAY OUT AND CALL

Liliesleaf Trust

Year 3 and 4 had special visitors from the Liliesleaf Trust, who taught them about the history of apartheid in South Africa. They learnt about how art and design can be used to inspire people to work together to make the world a fairer place. They also made badges to show their support for things that were important to them.







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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

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Half Term Holiday

Mon 27th - Fri 31st May



Please Note:

Full holiday dates are available on the school website.

SUPERSTARS



Elm Iqra Pine Daniel Cherry Mani Deandre Holly Maple **Brahim** Willow Mohammed Palm Wahab Banyan Olive Adam A **Oussama** Hadi Cedar Mahogany Lauren Eucalyptus Rose

Sequoia

Well done Superstars

Malone



Attendance and Punctuality

Year Grou p	Best Attendance	Most Improved	Best Punctuality
EYFS & KS1	Palm Class	Under 96%	Elm Class
KS2	Sequoia Class	No Improvement	Banyan Class Sequoia Class
	GREAT Attendance		GRE47 PLINCTUALIT

Whooping Cough - Cases Rising

Whooping cough is a bacterial infection of the lungs and breathing tubes. It spreads very easily and can sometimes cause serious problems. There is an increase in whooping cough cases this year.

It's important for babies and children to get vaccinated against it.

Signs of whooping cough - click NHS link: Whooping Cough



Science Club

Year 5 and 6 children had a great time in Science Club this week. They all explored what a Non-Newtonian fluid is and got to play with Oobleck (which got a little messy!).

Oobleck is special in that it acts like a liquid when being poured, but like a solid when a force is acting on it. You can grab it and then it will ooze out of your hands. Below is a recipe for Oobleck, should you want to make some at home -

Did you know?

Oobleck gets its name from the Dr. Seuss book, *Bartholomew and the Oobleck*, where a

very gooey green substance, fell down from the sky and wreaked havoc all over the kingdom.





just make sure you get an adult to help you!

OOBLECK

You'll need

Cornflour (cornstarch) Water Bowl and spoon



Instructions

Fill a cup (any size) with cornflour and pour it into a bowl

Add water very slowly, mixing all the time with the spoon until you have a thick liquid.

The cornflour slime should feel solid if you squish it in your hands, but then turn back into a liquid when you release the pressure.

Why does it work?

Cornflour gloop (oobleck) is made up of molecules arranged in long chains. When the chains are stretched the liquid will flow, but when you force them together the stick together to form a solid. Oobleck is an example of a non-Newtonian fluid.

Add toy figures, freeze it or drip it through a sieve!







Library Events

Did you know that our local libraries provide an amazing host of clubs and groups for babies, children and adults? Many of the events provided are free and are a great way to connect with other families.



A few things on offer for children in Islington:

Chess Clubs Scrabble Clubs Baby Bounce Storytelling Sessions Mindful Colouring

They are also many adult groups - a few examples include:

Family Support Surgeries Knitting Poetry Creative Writing Art

Several Islington libraries also offer events during school holidays. Examples include:

<u>Cat and Mouse Library - half term craft event</u> Tuesday 28 May 2.30-4pm Make your own cat or dog hand puppet.

<u>Archway Library - children's craft event</u> Friday 31 May 2.30-4pm Kick off the Euros 24 and make your own table football game and flag.

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Click on the link to see if there is anything of interest: <u>Islington Library Events</u>

Create Club

Marcia and Create Club have had another busy couple of weeks. First they made their own paper from old egg cartons. Then, in the following session, they used this beautiful paper to make their own hand printed art work. It looks amazing. Very well done everyone.



















Dawnosaurs - free event for neurodivergent children

(including autism ADHD, Tourette's, OCD and other sensory processing difficulties)



Enjoy the Museum, free from the hustle and bustle of the general public. Visitors have access to a wide range of galleries and activities, supported by and led by experienced, neurodivergent-aware facilitators.

This event is best for children aged 5 to 15 (siblings are welcome).

Tickets:

It's essential that all visitors book a free ticket online in advance. Tickets are released for each event a few months in advance. Please read the essential information before booking.

Event dates:

18 May

14 August

5 October

7 December

For more information: Dawnosaurs