

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 7th November 2025

World Afro Day - Photos and Celebration

Following the success of our World Afro Day celebration, we have received the photos back from the photographer Steve. We are really pleased with how fantastic they are. It was great to see so many children and families take part.

Thank you everyone! We will try to get a copy of the photo to everyone involved as soon as we can.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Last Day of Term:
Friday 19th December
1.30 FINISH



Weekend Fun

From family fun days to art exhibitions, see what's on this autumn

[Islington Life](#)



SUPER STARS



Elm
Pine
Cherry
Holly
Maple
Willow
Palm
Banyan
Olive
Cedar
Mahogany
Eucalyptus
Sequoia

Aliya
Nour
Jazmine
Omar
Ellaha
Eros
Joshua
Arham
Adam A
Zara
Ashya
Melissa
Anais



KS1's beautiful Kandinsky art from the computing workshop is now on display in the middle hall. Thank you to all the staff and children involved in producing this beautiful art work.

Hidden Heroes Trip to Sky Studios

On Tuesday, some lucky year 5 and 6 Hidden Heroes got to visit Sky Studios. While they were there, they saw Sky News and Sky Sports News being filmed, they had a tour of the amazing buildings and best of all the children were able to film their own news report! The children used real equipment and took on the roles of directors, reporters, scriptwriters, producers and camera crew to film a fantastic report about climate change. They were then given a QR code to watch and share their report with friends and family at home. How amazing!



Mayor of Islington Visit

The Mayor of Islington, Jason Jackson, came to visit Pakeman this week and enjoyed a tour of our school with Emma. The mayor has always liked to speak up for others and wants to help make education and opportunities fair for everyone. We enjoyed welcoming him and hope that he'll take the opportunity to come again.

For more information: [Mayor of Islington](#)



Co-Op Local Community Fund

Thank you to all Co-Op Members who chose us as their local cause. You have raised **£1500** to help our children get away on a school trip to the Lake District!

This will make such a difference and create life long memories.



Olympic Athlete Visits Pakeman

This week, Victoria Ohuruogu, came to visit us at Pakeman. Victoria is an Olympic athlete who won Bronze in Paris 2024, 400m race. Not only did she win an Olympic medal but she also set a national record in the women's 4x400m relay! Victoria's visit was very special and inspirational. She talked to the children and encouraged them to believe in the importance of seizing opportunities and chasing dreams.

Great Athletes



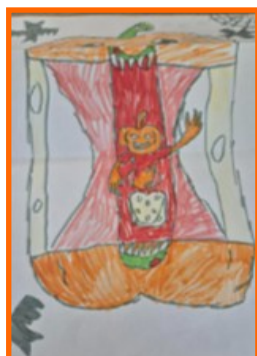
A Busy Week at Playcentre

The children at playcentre have been having lots of fun this week. They held a drawing competition for the best Halloween pictures.

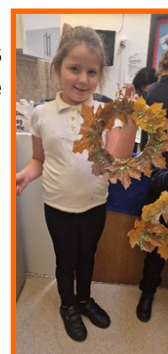


Competition lucky winners:

Asheena - Olive class
Mohamed O - Palm class
Kaan - Cedar class
Ayaz T - Maple class



They have also been making some gorgeous autumn wreaths with leaves collected from the playground.



Attendance and Punctuality

Year Group	Best Attendance	Most Improved	Best Punctuality
EYFS & KS1	Willow Class	Under 96%	Elm Class
KS2	Mahogany Class	Cedar Class	Eucalyptus Class

Women's Cycling

Islington offer free learn to ride sessions and led rides for women only with Joyriders.

Residents can book **"learn to ride" sessions for free here.**



Bright Start Stay and Play

Remember to pop along and join one of the many Bright Start Stay and Play sessions. These are all accessible and inclusive. There are plenty of activities that will support the development of your child's social skills and fine motor skills.

Find Children's Centres: [Bright Start](#)



[Bright Start North](#): 020 7527 8441

[Bright Start Central](#): 020 7527 8465

[Bright Start South](#): 020 7527 4089



For Timetable information: [Bright Start Timetable](#)

Autumn Intergenerational Event

Meet new people, enjoy local nature and craft activities with The Garden Classroom. Listen to a presentation about local winter birds and enjoy animal encounters with Zoolab!!

Free refreshments and drinks!

This is a free event for Islington Residents.

When: [Saturday 8th November 2025](#) - 10:30am-13:00pm

This event will be both indoors and outdoors so please dress for the weather.

Where: Islington Ecology Centre 191 Drayton Park, N5 1PH

