

# THE PAKEMAN PRESS



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School

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

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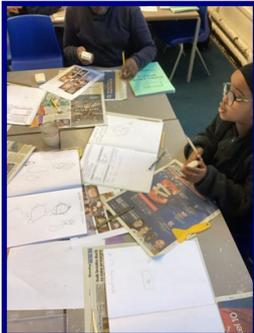
Friday 27th February 2026

## 3D Models and Sculptures

Last half term, Year 3 and 4 children explored the exciting world of 3D models and sculpting. They learned how sculptures are created and discussed the different techniques artists use to shape and carve materials.



The highlight of the unit was when the children had the chance to carve their very own soap sculptures! Using careful control and patience, they chipped, shaped and smoothed their soap to create unique 3D models. It was wonderful to see their creativity shine as they transformed a simple bar of soap into imaginative works of art. Well done Year 3 and 4. Amazing work!



## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

**Spring Term:**

**End of Term:**  
Friday 27 March  
1.30 finish

**Summer Term:**

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April



Check out what Sabina is doing to support our school. Details in this newsletter!



## Children's Mental Health Week

To celebrate Children's Mental Health Week last half term, we had a dress up day. The theme was 'Come as Yourself Day'. This meant wearing an outfit which made children feel comfortable, confident and like they truly belonged — whether that was cosy clothes, cultural dress, favourite colours or something totally unique.

The children all looked fantastic in their outfits and loved talking about the day around school.



## SUPER STARS



Elm	Humma
Pine	Aliz
Cherry	Halima
Holly	Elisa
Maple	Ayana
Willow	Kymani
Palm	Eliakim
Banyan	Hunter
Olive	Asheena
Cedar	Xion
Mahogany	Samad
Eucalyptus	Farida
Sequoia	Ritaj

**WELL DONE**

## Young Voices 2026

Our choir had an absolutely brilliant time performing at Young Voices 2026 at The O2 in Greenwich!



Singing alongside more than 8,000 children from schools all over the country was an unforgettable experience. The atmosphere was incredible from the moment they walked in, and when all those voices joined together, it really was something special. The children sang their hearts out and represented the school so beautifully - we couldn't be prouder of them.

A huge well done to every single child who took part. All those rehearsals paid off! Thanks also to Jack, Tegan, Janet, Olga and Ben for joining the children and supporting the trip - we really appreciate it.

Finally, a massive thank you to Jack for the time, energy and enthusiasm he puts into running such a fantastic choir every week. The children love being part of it and opportunities like this show just how much hard work goes on behind the scenes. What a night to remember!

## Author Visit

Eucalyptus class enjoyed a workshop with author, Gareth Jones, this week. He spoke about the mystery books he had written, played the ukulele as a story song and then did a workshop with the class. The children then built a mystery story on the spot using random objects and the children's imagination. It was a fantastic session and everyone involved had a lot of fun.



## Meet our Marathon- Running Year 5 Teacher!

Sabina, our brilliant teacher in Eucalyptus class, is taking on a huge challenge this spring: the **Vienna Marathon on 19 April** - all to raise money for **Pakeman School** so that our children can experience the magic of Artis who bring drama, dance and imagination to N7 every week!

Sabina only started running a few years ago while working in Switzerland, when she found herself with a little extra time and a lot of mountain views. Since then, she's got the running bug and now she's out three times a week. She often runs before school - through icy pavements, pink-gold sunrises and everything in between. Her routine is serious: each week one long run, two shorter ones, Pilates for strength, early nights before the big sessions and plenty of pasta and electrolytes to keep her going!



Sabrina is running because she believes deeply in what Artis brings to our children. If you'd like to cheer her on, her fundraising page is here - please donate what you can by clicking the link:

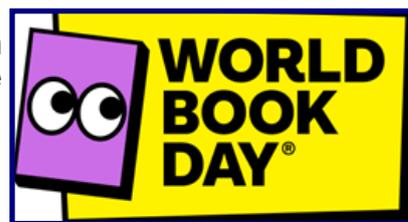
[Sabrina's Fundrasing for Pakeman](#)

**Please help Sabina Culley raise money to support a great cause.**



## World Book Day - Reminder of Events

We're looking forward to celebrating **World Book Day** on **Thursday 5th March** and would like to remind families of three important ways to get involved.



### Read Together at Soft Start

Parents and carers are warmly invited to join their children in class for **Read Together at Soft Start - World Book Day, Thursday 5th March, from 8:45 – 9:15am.**



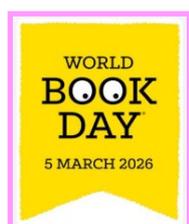
This is a lovely opportunity to start the day by sharing a book and celebrating the joy of reading together. We look forward to reading for fun with everyone!

### Invitation to Dress Up

We're supporting children to **'Go all in'** for reading by encouraging everyone to wear something that expresses what they like to read. This is your invitation to dress up on World Book Day! Remember that it can be a small clue of what you like to read or a full costume.

Follow the link to see top dressing-up tips. You'll also find low-cost costume ideas that can be adapted for nearly any character.

<https://www.worldbookday.com/resource-types/dressing-up/>



### £1 Book Token

Children have received a **World Book Day £1 Book Token**, which can be exchanged for a **free book** between **12th February and 15th March.**

#### How to use it:

- Check your child's school bag for the token
- Browse the £1 books: <https://www.worldbookday.com/books/>
- Visit a participating shop and swap the token for a free book

The World Book Day website also offers fun resources, videos from authors and illustrators, and dressing-up packs linked to the £1 books.



## PTA COFFEE AFTERNOON



**Food Hub**  
**Tuesday March 10<sup>th</sup>**  
**2:30pm**

Come along and sign up for  
**Food waste workshops**  
 starting in March

## Food Waste Action Week 9-15 March 2025.



Convened by Love Food Hate Waste, national and local governments, community groups, NGOs and brands around the world for action on food waste.  
 The week inspires simple, practical action that helps food go further - saving money, time and stress, while protecting the planet.  
 We'd love you to be part of it.

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## COFFEE MORNING

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**9:00am**

### ATTENDANCE & ROUTINE

COME ALONG TO:

- Understand how attendance impacts learning
- Discover simple ways to support morning routines
- Learn what help is available if things feel tricky
- Ask questions in a relaxed, supportive space
- Activities to keep routines during Easter Break



Anna and Maïke from Early Help will be with us

## The Breck Foundation



The Breck Foundation visited Pakeman on Tuesday to deliver some really thoughtful and engaging workshops about online safety. The children in years 1-7 enjoyed the discussions and were able to reflect on how to keep themselves safe online and in person.

The Breck foundation also has lots of helpful information on their website for families:

<https://www.breckfoundation.org/>





**EHLS WEBINAR: SUPPORTING PARENTS TO SET HEALTHY BOUNDARIES AROUND FOOD**

**FREE WEBINAR**  
 For Camden and Islington professionals working with children, young people and families.

Date: **13th** of March  
 Time: **10:00-11:30**  
 Online

Register by using the link or QR code below:  
<https://forms.office.com/e/DMbPvGHnOh>



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## Increase In Measles Cases

**There has been a recent rise in the number of measles cases in the North London. Measles is a serious disease which can lead to life changing issues.** Around 1 in 5 children who have caught measles in this outbreak have required hospitalisation. Measles spreads quickly and easily between people who are unvaccinated.

MMR vaccinations are the safest and best defence against measles for you and your family. If you haven't had your MMR vaccination, or if you are unsure whether someone in your family has had their vaccination, please contact your GP. **The vaccinations are free and easily available from your GP at any age.**

