

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 15th May 2026



Summer Term:

Half Term

Mon 25th May - Fri 29th May

End of Summer Term

Friday 17th July

Change Starts With Us

This week Pine class have been focusing on the book 'Change Starts With Us'. The book has been really useful in helping the children to understand that even our small actions can make a really big difference in looking after our world. Inspired by the story, the class went green and learned about recycling and the importance of "reduce, reuse, recycle."

Everyone enjoyed a range of hands-on activities linked to class learning, including an ocean pollution tray where sea animals were rescued and rubbish cleaned up from the beach. They explored how sorting rubbish helps turn old things into new things and discussed how plastic pollution can harm oceans and sea animals.

The children also took part in a school clear-out, collecting litter from our outdoor areas and then sorting materials into plastic, paper, glass and food waste bins.



SUPERSTARS



This week our superstars are all our year 6 children for working very hard throughout their very busy SATs week.

You have all been amazing!

Well done Superstars



Spring in Reception

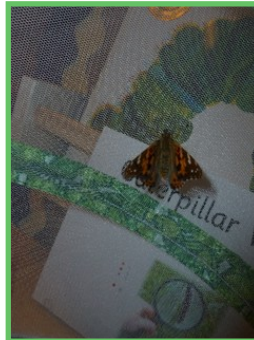
The children in Reception have continued their learning on the topic of 'Spring', exploring the life cycle of a sunflower and learning about minibeast habitats. They planted sunflower seeds and discovered what plants need in order to grow.



They also created a snail habitat so they could safely observe the snails in the classroom.



The children were especially excited this week as their caterpillars finally emerged from their chrysalides as beautiful butterflies.



Thank you to Islington Giving & Cripplegate Foundation

Create Club have been doing great things! A huge thank you to Islington Giving and the Cripplegate Foundation who have funded this second year and enabled our parents, carers and children to keep on learning and having fun together.



A Visit to Gillespie Park

This week Year 3/4 visited Gillespie Park. In Science, our current topic is plants. At Gillespie Park, Grace our guide showed us how to find different plants and use our different senses to appreciate them. We also had the opportunity to dig and find some roots. We then went to the meadow and explored and looked for natural wildlife.



Sculpture Making

Eucalyptus class have been making some amazing 3D sculptures of their memories out of cardboard. Here they are building them. We look forward to seeing some completed sculptures!

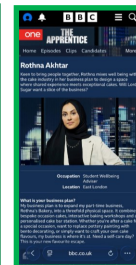


Dear Fahima and Nyla,

Thank you for attending the private function for Rothnas Bakery. It was a pleasure to select a handful of children to discuss matters such as education, future prospects and overall women in business.

We do hope Nyla took away some valuable insight from the event.

From Rothnasbakery



Rothna Akhtar is a contestant on Series 20 of The Apprentice UK (2026), appearing as a 28-year-old Student Wellbeing Advisor from London and owner of 'Rothna's Bakery'. She was among 20 candidates selected to compete for Lord Sugar's £250,000 investment.

INTERNATIONAL DAY 20TH MAY AFTER SCHOOL

Join us on Wednesday 20th May from 3:30pm for our exciting International Day Celebration!

Children will travel around the world using their very own "passport", exploring different continents through delicious food, fun crafts, and exciting activities from across the globe.

Passports can be purchased in the playground during the coming week:

- £2 per child
- £5 per family (for families with more than two children)
- All funds raised will go to the PTA to help provide extra academic after-school activities for our children.

Our school will be transformed into continents of the world, filled with colourful displays, tasty treats, and cultural experiences for everyone to enjoy.

How you can help

We would love families to contribute a favourite dish, snack or sweet treat that represents their heritage or culture. This will give our children the wonderful opportunity to taste foods from around the world and celebrate the diversity of our school community.

Please label all food contributions with:

- Ingredients
- The country or region the dish comes from

Stickers can be provided if needed.

Please remember: we are a nut-free school.

We can't wait to celebrate with you all!



Amazing news! Pakeman Primary School PTA has received **£120.30** from Easyfundraising this quarter.

A huge thank you to everyone supporting us. If you haven't joined yet, all your online shopping this year could raise free donations for us - at no extra cost to you.

Please sign up to support us on easyfundraising today, it'll take you two minutes and we could win a £5,000 donation when you join. Please click on the link below:

[Easyfundraising: Pakeman](#)



Well Done Year 6

**Year 6
SATs**

We would like to congratulate all of our Year 6 pupils on all their hard work during Year 6 SATs assessments this week. These children have worked extremely hard to achieve their best.

Thanks also to our amazing year 6 team of staff and all the additional staff who have helped and supported the children over the past few days. We are also very grateful to those involved in arranging delicious breakfasts for our year 6 children at the start of each SATs day so that the children could chat and relax with their friends before their tests.



SAVE THE DATE!

Online Webinar



Creating Positive Digital Environments

An Awareness session for Parents and Carers to support Young People



This session explores how to create safe and supportive environments that encourage young people to disclose digital harm, and also examines the factors influencing young autistic children engagement with online communities.

We Cover:

- ➔ Popular platform/ apps
- ➔ Online gaming
- ➔ Social media
- ➔ Positive strategies for Parents/Carers

Thursday 18th June
6:00pm - 7:30pm

This will be facilitated by Director/Founder of Deflect and Protect:

Alistar Barfield

Registration link to follow!



One-to-one support in your language:

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We work with Islington residents to support them with issues they may have with benefits, housing, debt, visa / citizenship and other areas.

If you would like to find out what help is available please speak to one of our team.

Everything we do is confidential and our goal is to help you get the right support without any pressure or worry.

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Other language support is also available.

You can contact us on:

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Attendance and Punctuality

Year Group	Best Attendance	Most Improved	Best Punctuality
EYFS & KS1	Maple Class	Under 96%	Elm Class Palm Class
KS2	Sequoia Class	Eucalyptus Class	Eucalyptus Class

