

MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

Dear parents and carers,

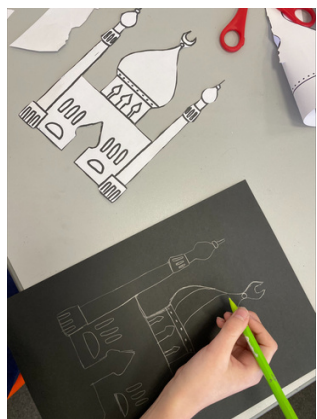
It is a bumper newsletter today as we have had so many wonderful things to celebrate over this past week.

A big focus for us as a school is celebrating each part of our community for the part they play in making our school a special place. We are a truly diverse school and I want all members of the school to feel represented for the unique and special contribution they make. As well as that, when we learn about each other, we always find that we have more in common than we do apart. . As well as a lovely celebration for Eid and raising money for Ilknur, we have also had a focus on SEND and Autism as well as some work on antiracism through a whole term of workshops in Year 4.

I have been so happy to see more parents being involved and working with us in partnership. A huge thank you goes to Toni (Axel and Tatum's mum) who is always so passionate about giving her time for the children and the school. She ran a truly wonderful workshop for Year 3 on celebrating and recognising difference, focused on Autism awareness. Also a huge thank you to our lovely EYFS parents who are engaging so brilliantly with Karen in developing their children's reading and early language. Thank you also to every parent who comes in for any of our open mornings and festivities. We know that working with you can transform things for your children so please continue to come and do remember you can also join the PTA !

A big thank you to my wonderful staff team here who have worked so hard this term for your children. Pupils across the board are making great progress. I wish you all happy holiday and look forward to seeing you all on the 22nd of April for our Easter egg hunt and crafting !

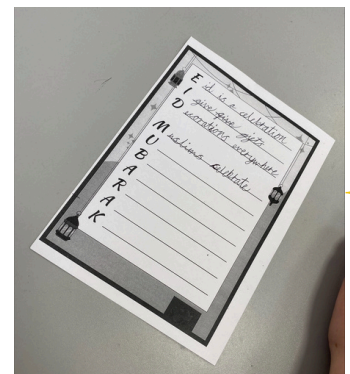
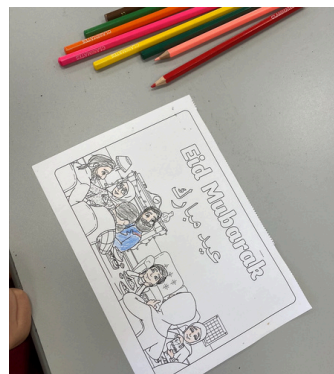
THIS WEEKS' TOP NEWS - Eid Celebrations



Today was a fantastic day at school as we celebrating Eid with a range of exciting activities. Students enjoyed colouring beautiful henna patterns, creating their own Eid cards, solving word searches, and making vibrant suncatchers. The atmosphere was filled with excitement as everyone got involved in the festivities. We also had a special assembly for adults, a delicious spread of party food, and a non-uniform day to mark the occasion. Thank you to all who helped and supported and all the parents/carers for their contributions!



We raised over £300!!!



SCHOOL ATTENDANCE



STARS OF THE WEEK

Whole school: 90.8%
National: 95%

Well done to all our wonderful children on their hard work this week. The following deserve a special mention for receiving **Star of the week!**

Year 6: Paige, Aras and Harley

Year 5: Valentino, Kiara and Lily

Year 4: Rima and Zumra

Year 3: Siraiah

Year 2: Sofia

Year 1: Bonnie and Aaliyah

Reception: Sen

Nursery: Gokhan



Pine	92%
Palm	91%
Mulberry	91%
Oak	91%
Cedar	90%
Ash	88%
Rowan	88%
Elm	86%
Willow	86%
Apple	85%
Holly	84%
Beech	83%
Silver birch	80%
Maple	77%

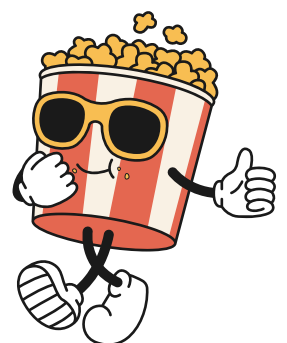
TOP DOODLERS - PINE



Using Doodle Maths for 10 minutes per day can have a huge impact on your child's progress and attainment. Please speak to your child's class teacher if you need your login details or any support with the app.

POPCORN PARTY (as chosen by the pupil voice)

Well done to **Pine** class for having the highest attendance this week!



Eid Assembly

This morning, Palm class performed their Eid Assembly for years 1, 2 and 3. It was wonderful to see the work that they had put into preparing and practising it. They shared lots of information about the significance of Eid for Muslims around the world and explored why it is such an important festival. They also looked at how it is celebrated and what makes it so much fun! The song was great too. Year 1, 2 and 3 were a fantastic audience and were hooked by Palm Class's confidence and fluent performance so thank you Palm class and Eid Mubarak to everyone!



Year 1 - Landmarks in London

Year 1 had a fantastic time exploring landmarks in London. We saw the London Eye, Big Ben, Houses of Parliament and even got to stand on Hungerford Bridge! It was an amazing experience to see these landmark up close. Thank you to all the adults who accompanied us on this trip!



Family Group

Our Spring Term Family Group have graduated!

Congratulations to the children who took part and a big thank you to their parents and teachers who supported the process. We couldn't do it without you!

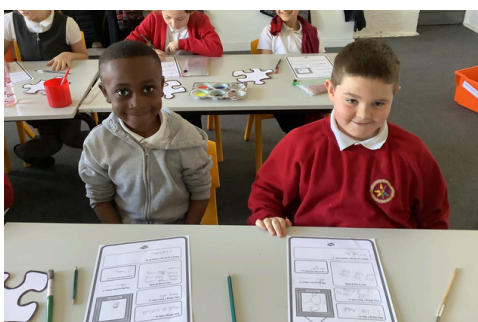
We will be running our next Family Group in the Autumn Term.

Please come to our coffee afternoon if you are interested in finding out more, date to be confirmed...



Autism Awareness Day

On Wednesday, Silver Birch Class had a special visit from one of our wonderful mums, who led a fantastic workshop to celebrate Autism Awareness Day. The children learned about the importance of celebrating differences and learned about some celebrities who have autism. As part of the workshop, each child created their own unique jigsaw piece to represent their individuality. When put together, these pieces form a beautiful display, symbolizing how we all fit together to create a kind and understanding community. A huge thank you to our guest for sharing her knowledge and helping us promote inclusion and kindness at school!



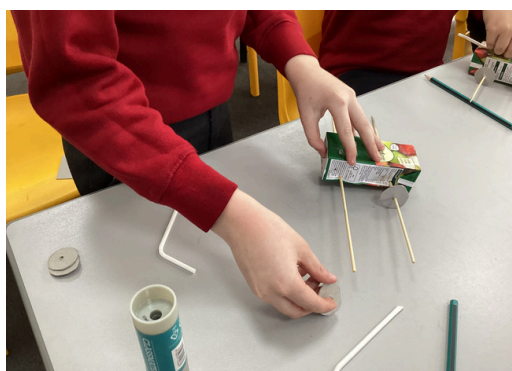
Rose Bowl Easter Programme

Offer: Rose Bowl Easter Holiday programme
Address: Rose Bowl, St Paul's Park, Ramsey Walk, N1 2PT
Age group: 8-12-year-olds
Days: Tuesday to Friday
Dates: 8th April – 17th April 2025
Time: 10:30 - 3:30pm
Activities: Arts and crafts, cooking, games, sports and local trips.
Cost: Free to attend.
Website: <https://www.rosebowlislington.org.uk/events/easter-holidays>

ROSE BOWL		Easter Holidays Play programme for 8-12-year-olds				ISLINGTON
EASTER HOLIDAYS 2025 AT ROSEBOWL PLAY- PROGRAMME						
	Tuesday 8th April	Wednesday 9th April	Thursday 10th April	Friday 11th April		
Morning 10:30- 12:30	Giant Mural	Hammer Beads Clay	Design a pot plant Gardening-seeding	ALL DAY TRIP (FARM, PARK, ADVENTURE PLAYGROUND)		
LUNCH PROVIDED FOR CHILDREN FROM 12:30 – 13:00						
Afternoon 13:00 – 15:30	TIE DYING TUG OF WAR TEAM BUILDING	Candle Making Multi Sports	Bingo - Prizes Multi Sports			
	Tuesday 15th April	Wednesday 16th April	Thursday 17th April	Friday 18th April		
Morning 10:30- 12:30	Easter Hunt Decorating Dance Workshop	Junk Modelling Pirates	Easter Hunt Cooking	Closed for Good Friday		
LUNCH PROVIDED FOR CHILDREN FROM 12:30 – 13:00						
Afternoon 13:00 -15:30	Dance Performances Multi Sports	Fire Games Capture The Flag	Park and Ice Skating trip			
ROSEBOWL, ST PAULS PARK, RAMSEY WALK, N1 2PT 0207 354 3524						

Science Club

We held our second fortnightly lunchtime science club and made balloon powered cars! The children were fantastic at sharing their ideas and supporting each other in making their cars. It is a great way for them to develop their science skills but have a lovely, fun, positive lunchtime!



Parent/Carer Group

This week saw the last session for our first Early Words Together group at Rotherfield. The group runs for six weeks and is for children in Nursery and Reception. Along with Karen our HLTA, the children and their parents come together for an hour each week for activities which include puppet and musical instrument making, a whole session on playdough as well as a trip to the playground to look for the Shark in the Park! The programme focuses on developing skills for early reading and writing and parents get to take home books and other resources to support working with your child as well as lots of tips and ideas to try at home.

Karen will be running another six week group before the end of the school year in July. If you are interested in joining our next group, please come and see her, Maureen or Mandy to find out more.



Golden Readers & Golden Writers

Golden Reader

Apple - Aramayah

Beech - Taaliyah

Holly - Arya

Oak - Arthur

Pine - Theo

Maple - Mateo

Silver Birch - Max

Palm - Alfie

Willow - Cinar

Rowan - Mason

Elm - Felix

Mulberry - Trina

Ash - Alimert

Cedar - Cienna

Golden Writer

Apple - Duru

Beech - Aribella

Holly - Shanyla

Oak - Frankie

Pine - Deanara

Maple - Julia

Silver Birch -

Annabelle

Palm - Ruzgar

Willow - Yusra

Rowan - Abigail

Elm - Oakley

Mulberry - Hendrix

Ash - Sofia B

Cedar - Leo

Holiday games for the family

Here are some fun activities for families to play during the Easter holidays. We always suggest keeping devices where parents can see them.

- Fun puzzle game where you move a character around a path using instructions: [Play Rodocodo - Code Hour](#)
- Make cool music with samples from classic and modern songs: <https://hourofcode.com/musiclabjam>
- KS1 Draw patterns with the characters from Frozen: [Code with Anna and Elsa - Code.org](#)
- Follow the instructions to make your own games: [Hello World | Code.org](#)
- Play fun and educational games for primary students. [Bitesize primary games - BBC Bitesize](#)

REMINDERS - DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

EVENTS	DATES
Children return to school	Tuesday 22nd April
Easter Egg Hunt & Easter Parade	Tuesday 22nd April
Year 1 - V&A trip	Monday 28th April
May Bank Holiday	Monday 5th May
Year 2 trip - Hampsted Heath	Wednesday 7th May
Year 6 SATS Week	Monday 12th - Friday 16th May
Year 6 Residential - Cardfields	Monday 19th - Friday 23rd
Year 3 trip - Kews Garden	Tuesday 20th May

Bookings for enrichments clubs will be open from 6pm this evening (Friday 4th April). Due to next term being short we have arranged for Dance/Gymnastics and Turkish Club to run from the first week back after Easter. All other clubs will run from the second week of term (week of the 28th April).

Rotherfield Primary School - After School Clubs				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Breakfast Club 7:45 - 8:55	Breakfast Club 7:45 - 8:55	Breakfast Club 7:45 - 8:55	Breakfast Club 7:45 - 8:55	Breakfast Club 7:45 - 8:55
Football Y2-Y4	Turkish Y1-6 3:30 - 4:30	Gymnastics R-Y6 3:30 - 4:30	Spanish Y1-Y2 3:30 - 4:30	
	Karate 3:30 - 4:30 contact provider on 07594928598 42 per session			
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Information from Islington Council to help children get ready for Secondary School:




Toilet training workshop

This session, delivered by Michal (Clinical Psychologist) will:

- Help you to know when your child is ready to start toilet training
- Give information about ways to help children to toilet train
- Provide a space to share ideas and ask questions
- Suggest ways to encourage children.



Friday 25th of April 2025
10:00am - 11:30am

Minik Kardes @
The Factory Children's Centre
107 Matthias Road,
N16 8NP

For more information and to request a place please ring
020 7527 8465 or email
BrightStartCentral@islington.gov.uk




Important Notice
Please click [here](#) to view the late collection policy

Secondary school ready?

Pointers for family conversations about safety



Use and watch good tech

- Choose technology that supports learning - e.g. maths, languages and BBC Bitesize.
- Enjoy quality TV as a family - avoid endless short read videos on individual devices. For ideas see: www.islington.gov.uk
- Ask your school for device recommendations.

Follow school phone policy

- Read the school policy to support the school and reinforce the messages at home.
- Consider: does your child have the skills to manage a smart phone? Would a more basic phone be better to start with?
- Agree Home Rules for device use too - such as: <https://www.islington.gov.uk>

Form good daily habits

- Limit gaming to the weekends - school nights will be busy with homework and clubs.
- Follow minimum age restrictions on apps and games.
- Avoid mindless scrolling. Be mindful of what you digitally consume.
- Read quality books at bedtime.
- Create a study area at home without mobile devices.
- Keep phones and gaming out of bedrooms.
- Buy an alarm clock and consider a "weekly planner" to avoid oversleeping.
- Read Home Rules by James Clear.

Use security settings

Parental Controls help to protect against online harms and cyber threats.

- iOS - Family Sharing
- Google - Family Link
- Microsoft - Family Safety

Privacy settings within each App are vital too, to restrict being added into group chats and contacted by strangers. Info and guides can be found here - www.islington.gov.uk

For more information visit - parentinfo.lgf.net

Website: safeguarding.lgf.net Email: safeguarding@lgfl.net




Keeping Safe from Street Robbery

Steps to take when your child starts travelling independently



- Plan new journeys to school and clubs and practice these.
- Talk through scenarios with your child and agree what they would do (e.g. public transport not running or asked by friends to go out after school).
- Aim to use boys, walkie-talkies, with CCTV while also avoiding shortcuts in isolated places.
- Avoid having expensive phones, bikes and items of clothing.
- Consider a basic 'brick' phone in first years of secondary.
- Don't carry travel cards and bank cards in phone covers.
- Travel in groups if possible. If solo, hang back for other members of the public in quiet streets.
- Look up and look out - be aware of your surroundings. Put ear pods/earphones away.
- Have mobile devices out of sight when walking on streets.
- Whether you have a phone or not, memorise or keep a parent's car's phone number in your bag.

What to do if you are a victim of theft on the streets - advice for children

- Keep calm and hand over any items asked for and do not argue. If the phone is snatched do not attempt to chase or confront the thief.
- Robbery or attempted robbery are serious crimes and should be reported straight away. It's important you seek help by dialling 999 rather than contacting police when you get home.
- Use a friend's phone or phone of a trusted adult - e.g. in a nearby shop, restaurant or bus/train hub station.
- After you have contacted the police, contact your parent's or carer's.
- If you have information about a robbery and don't want to report it to the police, speak anonymously to a partner, a youth service within the charity CrimeStoppers - www.crimestoppers-uk.org

Website: safeguarding.lgf.net Email: safeguarding@lgfl.net

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Islington Healthy School Advisor
Please click here to see community food services available within Islington Community Food Services - Islington Food Partnership

Clubs contact info
Should you need to reach a staff member after 4PM regarding your child at after-school club (such as late collection from after school club), please call this number for immediate assistance: 07955184099