

## PRINCE OF WALES PRIMARY SCHOOL

Newsletter
3rd December 2021

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### Dear Parents/Carers, Governors and Friends,

### Hanukkah sameach

From Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> to Monday 6<sup>th</sup> December, the Jewish eight-day Festival of Lights is celebrated with a nightly menorah lighting, special prayers and of course food. To our Jewish community we wish *Hanukkah sameach!* which means "Happy Hanukkah!

### **New Covid restrictions**

Due to the new Omicron covid variant and in line with Government guidance, all staff will be wearing a face-covering in communal areas. It is expected that all visitors, including parents/carers also wear a face-covering when entering the school for a meeting or to speak to someone from the school office.

Hopefully, we can go ahead with our planned seasonal programme. Assemblies and performances will take place between fewer year groups. Restrictions for parents/carers currently include covering face and for just one adult per household to attend.

Please continue to undertake PCR tests if your child shows possible signs of Covid so that we can avoid any outbreak at our school. Twice weekly LFD tests are also desirable to detect asymptomatic cases as these have been particularly helpful for staff and pupils to not spread the virus. Since September, we have had a few staff and pupils with positive test results, but thankfully with no connection between them and all at different times to not warrant any alarm.

The best way of protection is of course vaccination and the follow up booster for all eligible people.

### Board Game of the Week

All classes learn to play a board game over a half term and then swap with another class. Find out about Mancala on page 5 that 4G is currently playing.

### Charity contributions

Collections for the Poppy appeal was £450.99 and for Children in Need (from both online and cash taken in school) £513.14. These are generous contributions by our school community. The Christmas Toy Appeal is now closed, but check out page 14 to find out how well it went.

### **Inter school competitions**

In this newsletter you will read about two competitions our school won this week. The common factor for winning both of these is dedicated time given freely by school staff to help the competing children prepare, the passion and determination by the children themselves and the encouragement and full support from their families at home. To find out which competitions we won, keep turning the pages.

Remember, Monday 6<sup>th</sup> December is Inset day so we look forward to seeing our children again on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup>.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend,

Mr Jan M Bless Headteacher

## **Attendance this week**

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Ash 87.76%	1H 97.73%	2A 93.84%	3F 93.80%	4F 93.90%	5G 93.10%	6C 97.37%
Birch 79.48%	1K 93.33%	2L 88.00%	3H 88.89%	4G 95.67%	5R 96.81%	00 37.3770
0-1 02 220/	414/06/040/	3T 00 F 40/	214/00/040/	46100.430/	FT 05 000/	6T 93.50%
Oak 83.33%	1W 86.94%	2T 90.54%	3W 90.94%	4GI 99.13%	5T 95.00%	6Ta 97.96%
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Well done to **Ash, 1H** and **4GI** for best attendance this week. Overall attendance since September 2021: **94.37**%

### This month we focused on:

### Kindness

The following pupils received a certificate this week:

Leo 1H, Jacob 1K, Jasmyn 1W, Nida 2A, Vladi 2L, Tyler-Mae 2T, Neda 3F, An'niya 3H, Mira 3W, Zapryan 4F, Jayden 4G, Maija 4GL, Sel 5G, Orhan 5R, Lemuel 5T, Yaye 6B, Raahil 6C, Jay 6T, Isabella 6TA















### **Accelerated Reading**

3F continues their undisputed run of most % reading at home and quizzes taken/passed. Their rate this week was 71/73 with Harmony again completing and passing 10 quizzes!

### **Times Tables**

Congratulations to Ibrahim, Ryan, Ronnie, and Nida for achieving their times tables badges.

Mohammed 6C achieved the Year 6 Resilience Award



### **Gymnastic Festival**

During many lunchtimes this term, Mr. Ferns, Mrs. Mills and Miss Parlour have been supporting a group of Year 2 children to learn a gymnastics routine in preparation for the borough competition on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> December. On Wednesday afternoon, Aleema, Cristiano, Pixie and Shireen got the chance to perform their gymnastics routine and vault work to the judges at Edmonton Leisure Centre. They each had two attempts to perform their routines to a judge. As you can see from the photos, they really impressed the judges with their routines.

At the end of the competition, it was announced that our school had been awarded first place. This means the

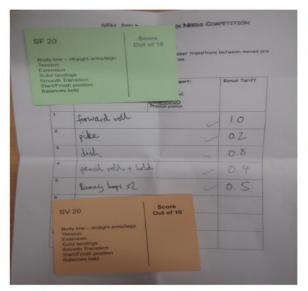
children who performed are the best school gymnasts in Enfield.

Pixie – I liked the bench best because it was soft to jump on.

Aleema – I liked the vault. You could jump and walk on the bench.

Cristiano – I am good at jumping.

Shireen – I am good at forward rolls. When I do them, they make me happy.























Keeping composure when all eyes are on you.



Practising together including making their own sentences to better understand the words.

Huge congratulations to Rania & Spencer from Year 5 and Varun & Kayden from Year 6 for winning the Townies Spelling Bee competition, after what was a challenging final! Altogether, 17 schools took part in the competition with brilliant spellers between them and many fiendishly difficult words to overcome. Between our contestants, just 4 mistakes were made.

Also, special thanks to Humahira and Mellae who as reserves were supportive, conscientious and attended every practice session with Miss Clarke. The Year 6 pupils helped Year 5 rehearse who made tremendous progress and increased their confidence as a result.





Waiting in anticipation for the end result – palpable tension and holding breath.



Certificates and trophies for the winners.









Euphoria and relief when Prince of Wales was named winner (again).

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## Schoolchildren join the fight for recycling and climate action

Published on: 23 November 2021

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Schoolchildren across Enfield are being enlisted in the war on rubbish by taking part in assemblies on the importance of recycling and proper waste disposal.

The sessions, organised by Enfield Council aim to raise awareness of the problems caused by fly-tipping and the importance of recycling and reuse in helping to tackle climate change and improving the environment. Parents are also invited to attend the assemblies.

The sessions are supported by displays and stalls in the school's playgrounds at pick up times where parents can seek advice about issues they may be having with environmental crime or questions about how to recycle more and reduce waste.

So far 28 schools have signed up to the scheme, with the latest being Prince of Wales Primary in Salisbury Road, Ponders End.

Enfield Council's Cabinet Member for Environment, Cllr Rick Jewell, said: "It was fantastic to hear from young people who are passionate about the environment and want to do the right thing.

"We want to harness that enthusiasm and channel it into raising awareness of the importance of recycling and disposing of waste correctly so that they take pride in their borough and help us to keep it clean and tidy now and in the years to come.

"Disposing of your waste responsibly, whether you're out and about or at home isn't difficult but people don't always do the right thing. These assemblies are about getting the message across at an early age, hopefully the children will apply the lessons they've learned and pass the messages on to their family and friends and we'll have cleaner streets and higher recycling rates."

Headteacher Jan Bless said: "Our school is committed to reducing our impact on our environment and we are undertaking many initiatives including raising awareness through our curriculum, growing food and planting trees, monitoring energy use and implementing various ways of reducing, reusing and recycling school materials.

The assembly with Cllr Jewel and the Enfield Waste and Recycling Team and Enforcement Team highlighted the issue of fly tipping and recycling in our borough and the importance of communicating this to our school community."

As part of its efforts to tackle climate action in the borough, Enfield Council has created a schools climate action handbook to support all Enfield schools on their climate action journey. This includes learning goals related to reducing waste and increasing recycling both at home and school. The handbook can be accessed on our website.

### Year 4 Parent Meeting about Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check (MTC) in June 2022

Mrs Whyte explained the Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check that their Year 4 children will have to complete in June 2022 to parents/carers. Knowing all tables to 12x12 requires much practice at home and can be done easily in small doses but important to do this frequently too. Children benefit from doing this with their parent/carer and suggested times include when travelling to and from school. These websites give the type practice that the children will also experience. Amazingly, this week some Year 3 children showed off their tables skills to Mr Bless by demonstrating how they solve 16x12! You can imagine how impressed he was.

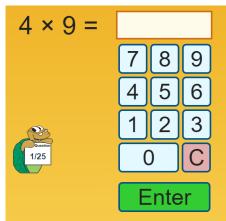
Multiplication and Division - Mathsframe

Times Tables Rock Stars: Play (ttrockstars.com) like actual MTC

Times Tables Games for 7 to 11 year olds (topmarks.co.uk)

MyMaths Game - Mixed tables 2 to 12 beat the clock 1

MTC Test - URBrainy like actual MTC (see screenshot)





## <u>Parent / Carers Coffee Morning with</u> <u>Enfield Advisory Service for Autism (EASA)</u>

On Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> December Jacky Stevenson and Marsha Walton, Parent Support Advisors from EASA spoke to parents and carers about the support available for families in Enfield if their child has a diagnosis of autism or are going through the pathway. If you would like any further information, please see their website. Enfield Advisory Service for Autism - Home (enfieldasa.org.uk)







MANCALA
THE AFRICAN SOWING CAMES
OWARE
WESO BAO



This game was selected as many of our families will play this at home, especially those with Ghanaian roots. It is known by different names and is origins stretch thousands of years. It is easy to learn and a game can last 5 minutes so is an easy pastime.







Kezia and Jayden were excited to see the game offered at school. She plays every Saturday at home with her family. They have 3 at home. The winners then play each other). Jayden learnt to play from his mother.





Kevin learnt to play at school and his father already bought the game for him. He taught his family and is developing as a confident player.



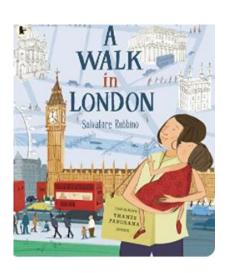
PERFECT CHRISTMAS GIFT



### Year 2

### A Walk in London

In Year 2 we are reading the book *A Walk in London*. This week and next, all Year 2 classes are visiting The Monument, which was built in memory of The Great Fire of London. The children will be creating a map of the journey from Liverpool Street station to Pudding Lane, where the Fire of London started.









## **COURCAMPS**

## PRINCE OF WALES PRIMARY SCHOOL

We are taking bookings!

WHEN: Monday to Thursday 20th - 23rd December 2021

**TIME**: 10AM – 4PM

### COST

- £25 per day + £5 for a hot meal or bring your own packed lunch
- OR Your child may be funded for a free place and hot meal if you are eligible for free school meals. Please contact your School office for further details.

### **HOW TO BOOK**

Link: schoolcamps.org/camp/prince-wales-primary-school-winter-camp-2021

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR ARE HAVING TROUBLE WITH YOUR BOOKING, PLEASE EMAIL <a href="mailto:schoolcampinfo@ourparks.org.uk">schoolcampinfo@ourparks.org.uk</a>

## **OUR ACTIVITIES**

WE STRIVE TO CREATE NEW OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL CHILDREN.

### **ACTIVITIES MAY INCLUDE:**

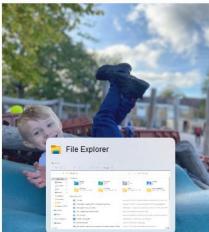
- PHOTOGRAPHY
- GYM & DANCE/STREET DANCE
- MAKING MUSIC
- CREATIVE PLAY
- SILLY SCIENCE
- ARTS CRAFTS
- WHEELS DAY! SKATEBOARDING, SCOOTER, BMX AND ROLLER BLADING
- FOOTBALL
- DODGEBALL
- PARACHUTE GAMES
- BASKETBALL
- HANDBALL

### **AND MORE!!**

BOOK YOUR PLACE AT: OURCAMPS.ORG













### Year 1 trip to St Peter and St Paul's

The Year 1 children have been learning the story of Jesus' birth and how Jesus is the light for Christians. On Wednesday, the children in Year 1 enjoyed a trip to our local Church. Father Stephen was a wonderful host and told the Nativity story in an interactive and engaging way. For many children this was their first school trip and they managed themselves brilliantly.

Father Stephen said "It was great to have you all in Church this morning, and I thought the children were brilliant and a credit to the school."

I would like to pass on our thanks to parents who helped and supported the children so well.

Mr Halley, Year 1 teacher

### Christmas at PoW is going 'card less'

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This year, Prince of Wales is supporting 'sustainability' by going 'card less' for Christmas. All pupils and staff are invited to bring in a £1 donation for their chosen charity, instead of sending cards to pupils and staff.











<b>Year Group</b>	Chosen Charity
Nursery &	Cancer Research UK for
Reception	children & young people
Year 1	Centrepoint
Year 2	MACMILLAN Cancer Support
Year 3	PoW Food Bank – please donate Christmas food
Year 4	NSPCC
Year 5	PoW Food Bank – please donate food items
Year 6	Cancer Research UK

Thank you for your support.

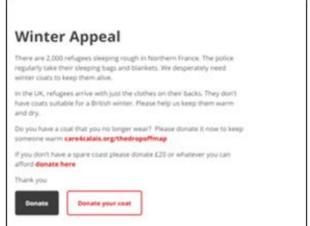
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			PUT THIS on YOUR CALENDAR!		
DATE	TIME	YEAR	EVENT		
06.12	All day	all	School closed – Inset Day 3		
09.12	All day	EYFS and Year 1	Fluoride varnishing Christmas		
13.12	pm	all	Class Christmas Parties		
15. 12	All day	all	Christmas Jumpers are allowed to be worn		
15.12	Lunch time	all all	Christmas Dinners		
15.12	Pm	Years 3 to 6	KS2 Talent Show		
17.12		all	Finish at 1:30pm for Christmas Holidays		
04.01.22		all	Start Spring Term		
14.01.22	All day	Year 4	Verulamium visit		
27.01.22	All day	Years 1-6	Pantomime: Snow White (changed title)		
11.02.22			100% ATTENDANCE CLUB		
14.03.22	All day	all	School closed – Inset Day 4		
17.05.22		all	100% ATTENDANCE CLUB		
24.06.22	All day	all	School closed – Inset Day 5		
27.06.22	All day	all	School closed – Queen's Platinum Jubilee - School Bank Holiday		
22.07.22		all	100% ATTENDANCE CLUB		
22.07.22	At 1:30pm	all	School closed at 1:30pm for Summer break		

# #Coats4Calais





Prince of Wales will give collecting <u>winter coats</u> for all men (most needed), women and children.

Before donating please check the condition, to ensure it is still wearable.

All donations are made by Friday 10th December 2021.

Thank you

### Care4Calais | Refugee Crisis Charity | Fundraise Donate Volunteer



Waitham Cross

description
Contact: rachelgreen72@gmail.com

name
Enfield

description
Contact Maria at mariamccaul@gmail.com

There is a 'drop off' map with 2 current locations in Enfield. If you would like to make your own donations please contact the emails above.

Aid Donation Drop Off Map | Refugee Aid Donations | Care4Calais

Please follow COVID guidelines

### THREE LITTLE BIRDS - ENFIELD MUSIC SERVICE

This morning some of our classes took part in a Zoom sign and sing activity led by Paul Whittaker. We joined live for a fun 20-minute session learning and performing the song "Three Little Birds," by Bob Marley.

This is the link to the Sing Up signing video for *Three Little Birds* if you want to sing along at home:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ore4obZ3BEA











## Harriet Piercy

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A Huge Huge Thank You to Tara Penn and the years 3 and year 1 parents who have raised a fantastic £230 and brought gifts or received new toy donations for our Zebras toy appeal this year. We can't thank you enough for all you have done with this and the support you and your team have given in bagging up the toys and delivering too. You should all be proud of the difference you have made for the wonderful families we support.





## Prince of Wales School

Some Year 3 and Year 1
parents raised £230 to buy
toys. We also had toy
donations given. That
makes a total of 98 gifts
given to Zebras charity for
their Toy Appeal 2021





Chris 3W

Out delivering to the families



Nathan 3F





#### WORKSHOP FOR PRIMARY SCHOOL PARENTS

Myself (PC Banks) and PC Odong are Safer Schools Officers looking after Primary Schools across Enfield borough.

We have been delivering a number of workshops online and face-to-face to students from reception to year 6. These workshops have been very successful.

We are offering workshops just for parents. There will be an opportunity for parents to ask questions on these topics and address any parents

The talks will be on a variety of subjects - online safety, cyber crime, personal safety and Young Gamers (online gaming and apps).

#### Saturday 4th December

Morning session - 10am-1100am

Click here to join the meeting

Afternoon session - 1.30pm—2.30pm

Click here to join the meeting

If you have any questions about this workshop please do not hesitate to email us on the below. Please note this email address can not be used to report crimes

NorthPrimarySchools@met.pnn.police.uk















Parents workshop





### **FREE ESOL CLASSES**

The courses are aimed at adults aged 19 plus – both male and female – with very little English at the moment (pre-entry or at most Entry level 1).

Potential learners will be assessed before starting a course.

Each learner will receive 30 hours of support in groups – 20 hours will be formal classroom time and 10 hours can be off-site social activity where learners apply their newly acquired skills in a real-world setting.

The learners need to be economically inactive (so not employed, self-employed or in receipt of work-based compensation, such as that provided through 'furlough' schemes). Ideally, they should be long standing residents. It is very much aimed at those who are unwilling or unable to join classes at the college, perhaps because of caring responsibilities, digital exclusion, lack of confidence or literacy in a first language.

Please come to the office and leave your contact details.

Mrs Rees will contact you.



