

Fitzjohn's Focus



Thank You

As the term and academic year ends I would like to say thank you to those parents and carers who have taken the opportunity to say thank you to the staff. Your kind words and gifts are much appreciated by a team who work exceptionally hard on behalf of your children. I have been working in education for 16 years and have never worked with such a dedicated group of people before. We continue to develop the school so that we can provide an environment where everyone can succeed and we appreciate your help. Thank you too, to the children who make my job a joy to do and to the parents/carers who are supportive and thoughtful in their interactions with the school. Have a great summer.

Reception Graduation



In what is becoming a Fitzjohn's tradition, Reception celebrated their graduation from Foundation Stage on Thursday. Congratulations to all of the class and well done for working so hard. You made me very proud. Thank you to the Reception staff for organising it and the many parents who attended the occasion.

Staff v Year 6 cricket match

Another tradition at Fitzjohn's is Class 6's challenge to a cricket match with teachers/staff. Despite Class 6 looking like strong contenders, they were no match for the sharp skills and keen eye (on the ball) of the staff. There are some excellent cricketers in Year 6 but it was not to be their 'year' (Staff, 23 runs, Year 6, 22 runs). Well done to everyone for taking part with such enthusiasm and gusto!

Goodbye to ...

Valerie

For almost 30 years Valerie has been a big part of our school. As well as helping to patch up children's grazes she has dried tears when they were upset. Her involvement in the classroom has enabled her to help many children to improve in their reading and writing. Hundreds of children will have passed through her care and we thank her on their behalf. Good luck Valerie we will all miss you. With much love from everyone at Fitzjohn's.



.....and to Imogen

Imogen joined us 5 years ago as a newly qualified teacher. She has been a dedicated, hard-working and trusted colleague who has given her all to ensure that the children in her care succeed. We wish her well in her adventure in her new school. They are lucky to have her. Good luck Imogen.

We also say goodbye to Claire and Alex from our Nursery. Good bye and thank you for everything you have done for us.



Congratulations to Debbie on her very imminent marriage to Nick. We are sure that they will have a fantastic day. (Debbie says fingers crossed for sunny weather!)

We wish the happy couple the very best of luck and love for their lives together.

100% attendance

Congratulations to the following children who attained 100% attendance this term:

Nursery: Advaita De ♦ Ademide Desalu ♦ Milan Pretorious Holly Simmons-Turner	Reception: Max Kortge ♦ George Krikler
Class 1: Maya Gerber ♦ Lior Kopolovic ♦ Henry Kuenstler Molly Mustard ♦ Charlotte Portis ♦ Jonathan Price Alex Usher ♦ Adam Vogel	Class 2: Adeyemi Desalu ♦ Burak Kemal ♦ Mak Korda Dylan Krikler ♦ Chloe Offer ♦ Jessica Pretorious Blendi Rexhaj ♦ Jasmine Williams
Class 3: Adeola Desalu ♦ Poppy Gordon ♦ Ava Moore Bailey Shepherd	Class 4: Yaniv Gerber ♦ Noah Getz Brzezinski ♦ Fariz Khir Joshua Osner ♦ Dion Sejdiu
Class 5: Lirikia Kastrati ♦ Leon Turjaku	Class 6: Imani Fisher ♦ Yaron Gerber ♦ Charlotte Getz-Brzezinski Lincoln Hershenson ♦ Sarah Khir ♦ Zana Kurshumlja Cairo McIntosh ♦ Ana Pluskoska ♦ Oscar Portis Ryan Rodriguez-Muino ♦ Max Sarch Thomas

Congratulations and well done to Ademide Desalu, Charlotte Portis, Jasmine Williams, Adeola Desalu, Leon Turjaku and Oscar Portis for not missing one day of school this year.

Class 6

Today we say goodbye to Class 6. They have celebrated their last few days at Fitzjohn's with a long series of events. First, we had the success of the play, on Thursday they went to the cinema to see the new Harry Potter film, Half-Blood Prince, presented a leaving assembly and had a disco in the evening and today they challenged the staff to a cricket match. It has been a pleasure to watch the children grow in confidence and skills this year and I wish them every success for the future. Good luck in your new schools, Class 6. The children will be going on to the following schools:

Joseph Beveridge	Haverstock	Sarah Khir	Parliament Hill
Dexter Bohn	American School	Zana Kurshumlja	Northbridge House
Charlotte Brosnan	Northbridge House	Cairo McIntosh	Hampstead
James Byrch-Davey	Salvatorian College	Ana Pluskoska	Henrietta Barnett
MollyDunne-McCue	Parliament Hill	Oscar Portis	Acland Burghley
Anya Fair	Parliament Hill	Ella Powell	Highgate
Sharon Felder	The Royal School	Ana Maria Rodrigues Monjardino	Camden School for Girls
Symi Finnegan	Parliament Hill	Ryan Rodriguez-Muino	Northolt High
Imani Fisher	Parliament Hill	Max Sarch Thomas	Mill Hill
Ansel Garner	William Ellis	Dorant Sejdija	William Ellis
Yaron Gerber	Hendon	Alex Shalson	UCS
Charlotte Getz Brzezinski	Jewish Free School	Ella Spencer Bergliter	Parliament Hill
Annie Hartley	Highgate	Tara Uygur	South Hampstead
Celia Hellier	Parliament Hill	Simeon Valchev	Hampstead
Lincoln Hershenson	Northbridge House	Christopher Willby	William Ellis



Autumn Term start dates

Infant Classes (1 & 2)	Monday 7 September	8:55am-3:20pm
Junior Classes (3-6)	Monday 7 September	8:55am-3:30pm
New Nursery children	Monday 7 September Tuesday 8 September Wednesday 9 September Thursday 10 September Friday 11 September	am or pm (per letter) pm or am (per letter) 9.15am-11.30am children only All day 8:55am-3:20pm am only 8.55am-11.30am
Current Nursery returning	Wednesday 9 September	All day 8:55am-3:20pm
New Reception children	Monday 7 September Tuesday 8 September Wednesday 9 September	am 8:55am-12:00pm (no lunch) am 8:55am-12:00pm (no lunch) All day 8:55am-3:20pm
Reception children (attended our Nursery)	Wednesday 9 September Thursday 10 September Friday 11 September	am 8:55am-12:00pm (no lunch) All day 8:55am-3:20pm All day 8:55am-3:20pm

- ① Nursery and Reception class parents will have received a separate letter stating their child's start dates.
- ② Please ensure your child is on time for school. **Children should be in the playground by 8:50am.**

Breakfast club

The club starts on Monday 7 September. Please get a form from the office if you wish your child to commence/continue. Completed forms should be handed to Mia or the office together with payment for the week/month. This is still very good value at £1 per day.

After School clubs

All after school clubs will commence week beginning **21 September** Letters and information regarding the clubs will be sent out during the first week of term.

Music and Swimming lessons will start the second week of the term, 14 September **except for brass lessons which will commence on Friday 11 September.**

Some of the Year 3 children will be tried out for the instruments they have expressed an interest in learning.

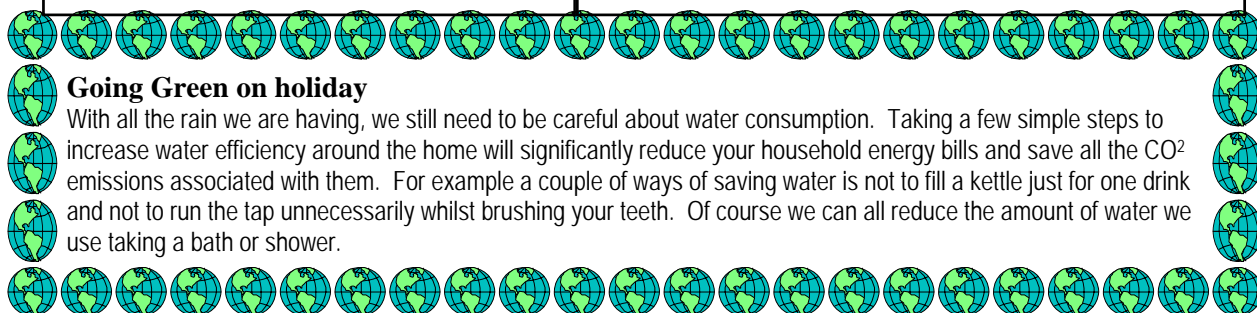
A Midsummer Night's Dream and Twelfth Night
Congratulations to everyone involved in Tuesday night's Shakespearean extravaganza. An intelligent and witty performance of the text made it an entertaining evening for all.

Well done to Class 6 for such excellent performances, to Selina for all her work behind the scenes and to Susie for directing the whole thing. A huge thank you to all of the parents who made food and attended the bar. All monies raised for food, bar and tickets will go towards the cost of costumes and scenery.

Thanks also to all staff who came and helped out.

Recorder Concert

Thank you to Nancy and the children who performed in the lovely concert on Wednesday afternoon. Thanks to the parents who came along and supported their children.



Going Green on holiday

With all the rain we are having, we still need to be careful about water consumption. Taking a few simple steps to increase water efficiency around the home will significantly reduce your household energy bills and save all the CO² emissions associated with them. For example a couple of ways of saving water is not to fill a kettle just for one drink and not to run the tap unnecessarily whilst brushing your teeth. Of course we can all reduce the amount of water we use taking a bath or shower.



Sainsbury's Active Kids and Tesco Computers for Schools vouchers

Thank you to all the parents/carers who collected the Sainsbury's Active Kids vouchers and the Tesco Club vouchers for the school. With your efforts, an impressive 7000+ Sainsbury's vouchers and 4500+ Tesco vouchers were collected and we have banked them. It was well worth the effort! Thank you also to the children who came into the office and counted them all.

Pete will be browsing the Sainsbury catalogue over the holiday and ordering a selection of sports equipment. We'll keep you posted as to what he orders.

DVD Orders

The DVD of the concert and the Year 6 play will be available next term. The cost of each DVD is £10.00. Please order from the office.



Any items of lost property that have been on display in the playground over this half term / left under the arches will be discarded after today. From next term, as always, any lost item will be stored under the "arches" in the playground. Items of value are generally handed in to the office so please check. Among the many items, we currently have are car keys and a Nintendo DS game.

Key Stage 1 SAT Teacher Assessments

Last week I published the Class 6 SAT test results. Below are the Year 2 SAT teacher assessments. I have included the national results for 2008 as a comparison because the 2009 national results are not yet available. Well done to all of the children for their learning this year; to Imogen and Mia for

Subject	Fitzjohn's Level 2+ 2009	National Level 2+ 2008
Speaking and listening	87	87
Reading	90	84
Writing	83	80
Maths	93	90
Science	90	89

their excellent teaching and support and to those parents who supported their child's learning and development. I am particularly impressed by the huge amount of progress the children have made in their writing. Well done all of you.

.... From Valerie

I have really enjoyed my time at Fitzjohn's, it has been my second home. I will miss you all. Have a good summer.

Valerie



.....and from Imogen

I feel exceptionally privileged to have started my teaching career at Fitzjohn's. I have so many fantastic memories and making the decision to leave was an incredibly tough one.

It has been a pleasure getting to know so many of you over the last five years and I will miss you all very much. Thank you to all the parents, staff and children for your kind words and farewell messages.

Have a wonderful summer and see you soon!

Imogen

