

Thank you for such a lovely Fair!!!



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15 December 2023

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Camden Food Bank are very grateful for your harvest donations We will be collecting for the Camden Food Bank on Monday 18 December. See page 4 for information. You can bring items that they are suggesting in on Monday 18th or early morning Tuesday 19 December and they will be collected by the food bank on the morning of 19/12/23.



Y1 and Y2 Nativity

We were all very proud of the Y1 and Y2 children as they performed this version of the Nativity story. Baubles! was set in a school hall with a forlorn and bauble-less tree until Mr Potts the school caretaker took it upon himself to create baubles telling the Christmas story. Beautiful acting and singing from all the children lifted everyone's spirits.

Thank you to all of the adults involved.



Sharing our Music

Nursery and Reception
2.15pm Tuesday 19 December


Year 1 and Year 2
9.15am Thursday 21 December

As Ezra was off this week with Covid our KS1 performance has been rescheduled to 9.15am on Thursday 21 December.

Attendance for the week Our target is 95%+	
<i>Missing school is missing out</i>	
Year 1	92.88%
Year 2	95.33%
Year 3	89.23%
Year 4	94.97%
Year 5	94.67%
Year 6	90.33%
School	92.98%
Well done Year 2!	


Parent Donations

£50

Donation 

Scan to pay

£100

Donation 

Scan to pay



Father Christmas Photographs



**URGENT CHRISTMAS APPEAL FROM CAMDEN FOODBANK
PLEASE HELP US TO FEED ADULTS & CHILDREN IN FOOD POVERTY**

What food is needed and why?

Camden Foodbank make up longlife emergency food parcels to support local people in food crisis. In order to make up well balanced food packages we need any of the items listed below:

Targeted food needed by Camden Foodbank at Christmas time:

Tinned Meat	Tea/Coffee	Longlife Juice
Tinned Fish	Sugar	Longlife Milk
Tinned Fruit	Cereal	Cooking Oil
Tinned Tomatoes	Baked Beans	Shampoo
Pasta Sauce	Christmas present for Children	Shower Gel/Soap
Pasta/Rice	Christmas Biscuits	Toothbrush
Washing up Liquid	Christmas Sweets	Toothpaste
Washing Powder		Toilet Paper

What are the different ways you can donate food to help local people at Christmas?

- I. Purchase targeted food listed above and Deliver in person.
- II. Purchase targeted food listed above and Send through Internet shopping.

How to donate money?

INDIVIDUAL GIVING THROUGH JUST GIVING for Camden Foodbank click on <https://checkout.justgiving.com/c/3445418> 100% of your donation will go directly to Camden Foodbank. We would be grateful if you can also select **GIFT AID** which will increase your donation

FOR CHEQUES/DIRECT DEBITS AND OTHER WAYS OF GIVING <https://camden.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-money/>

EVERY £40 RECEIVED IN CASH DONATIONS PAYS FOR ONE EMERGENCY PACKAGE*



A well balanced 3-day emergency for 1 person could mirror the photo above. (Cost per package may vary according to availability*).

Where can the food be delivered to and what times? *

Deliver Food in Person:

Day	Time	Address
Tuesday & Friday	11.30 am to 3.00 pm	Camden Foodbank, 14 Pratt Mews, London NW1 0AD.
Wednesday	5.00 pm to 7.00 pm	Camden Town Methodist Church, Wesley Hotel Camden Town, 89 Plender Street, London NW1 0JN.
Saturday	10.00 am to 12.00 pm	Camden Town Methodist Church, Wesley Hotel Camden Town, 89 Plender Street, London NW1 0JN.
Sunday	10.00 am to 12.00 pm	Camden Foodbank, 14 Pratt Mews, London NW1 0AD.

Send by Internet Shopping:

Any Tuesday or Friday 11.30 am to 2.00 pm Camden Foodbank, 14 Pratt Mews, London NW1 0AD.

Camden Foodbank is closed for Christmas from 23rd December 2023 and open again 9th January 2024. *



Camden foodbank
14 Pratt Mews
London NW1 0AD
07871 248704 (Food deliveries only)
info@camden.foodbank.org.uk
www.camden.foodbank.org.uk
Registered Charity in
England & Wales (1084806)



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This week in class	
Nursery	
Reception	A great and fun week in Reception this week. We have a post office in our classroom, so that we can write letters and cards to all our friends. We particularly enjoyed writing letters to Santa with lots of children had a go writing independently. We learnt our final sound of the term, the digraph 'nk' as in think and pink. We also learnt the tricky words 'of', 'push', 'me' and 'be'. We had a lovely trip to the Little Angel theatre on Thursday, we loved Charlie Cook and all the different characters he read about. Recently there has been some mischief with our numberline, with some numbers missing or in the wrong place. We found the culprit, a Christmas elf. As a class we decided on his name, and planned how we are going to look after him next week.
Class 1	This week in maths the children did some maths and reading quizzes in class. Everyone tried their best and scored really well. In literacy the children finished writing their own version of 'Lost in the Toy Museum'. They drew some lovely pictures and took great care with their handwriting presentation. In topic the children competed in teams and took part in a topic quiz all about toys. In art the children created and decorated teddys out of socks and various materials. In D&T they have started accessorising their moving vehicles. On Wednesday we went to Bloomsbury theatre to watch 'Finding Santa'. They were a credit to our school and their behaviour was exemplary. On Tuesday they also performed in the Nativity show. They looked cute, sang their little hearts out and made us all so proud. Well done for a great week Year 1!
Class 2	Class 2 did us all proud this week in their nativity production of 'Baubles.' It was a testament to their hard work and resilience that they sung, spoke and acted so brilliantly. Well done! It has been a busy week, with a trip to the Bloomsbury Theatre to watch 'Finding Santa' and a visit from the big man himself on Friday. We have tried to keep some semblance of normality in all the excitement and have been practising column addition and subtraction (with regrouping) along with some descriptive writing. Homework this week is to complete Rob's book banner challenge (which can be done over the Christmas holidays) and to learn their poem verse ready for our school poetry recital on Tuesday morning.
Class 3	This week in literacy, Class 3 have planned and written the legend of St. George and the Dragon, focusing on using wonderful and exciting descriptive language. In maths, we moved on to multiplying by 4, using arrays and groups. We also tackled some tricky logical thinking problems, working with partners in our maths investigations. In science, we explored shadows and how shadow length changes. As a treat on Friday, we met a special Christmas visitor as he stopped at Fitzjohn's on his journey from Lapland!
Class 4	What a week for Year 4. In Literacy we have been studying the features of non-chronological reports. Next week we will write our own based on our Science topic States of Matter. In Maths, we are developing our understanding of the 7 and 12 times tables. In RE, we have learnt the significance of the puja dish for Hindu rituals. In addition to this, we have been busy with assessments for reading and maths and also started decorating our lovely classroom. Some of our learning was on zoom this week and we felt like we had transported back to 2020!
Class 5	This week, Class 5 has been learning in Maths how to add fractions with a total greater than 1, add fractions and mixed numbers to other mixed numbers as well as subtract fractions with different denominators. In English, we have continued reading A Christmas Carol by Charles Dickens, analysing the language and events of the plot. In Science, Class 5 investigated how different mixtures can be separated through different processes, such as sieving, filtration, magnetic attraction and evaporation. In PSHE, we learned how to place an unresponsive casualty in the recovery position until an ambulance arrives, while in Geography we discussed the different types of land use.
Class 6	A busy week of fractions, father xmas visits and big writes in year 6. In Science, we continued our theme of kitchen hygiene by exploring the poor conditions in a 'local', kebab restaurant and writing to the owners to explain how to rectify them. We concluded our topic of racism and stereotyping in PSHE by examining our responses to stereotypes and in our topic lesson, children prepared speeches about key turning events during WW2.

THE FITZJOHN'S CONVERSATION 2024

This year's theme:



Education: What's the point?

7.00pm
Wednesday 17th January
2024

The Fitzjohn's Conversation is an annual event in which all members of the school community are represented—children, staff, parents and governors.

In a café style atmosphere with soft drinks, nibbles and a glass of wine or juice we chat and debate ideas inspired by three questions.

Come and join us for a lively evening of conversation. This year the theme is

Education: What's the point?

Ideas generated help the school improve by adding your ideas to our development plan.

Everyone's voice matters and helps!

The Event

The hall is set up like a beautiful café with tables of six to eight people. There are nibbles and drinks available and a free crèche.

During the evening we pose three questions based on our theme which the table discuss in turn.

Participants move tables between each question so they get to share ideas and meet new people.

At the end of the evening all of the tables share their thought and we collect notes to help with our planning.

The Fitzjohn's Conversation 2024

Save the date!

7.00pm

Wednesday 17th January 2024

Governors, staff, parents and

Y6 representatives from School Council and House Captains.

Reminder

**School Closes 13.30
THURSDAY 21 December**

Talks

Wednesday 7 February

Stalls

Free Entry

9am to 12 noon

Free healthy snacks

Advance Notice

Being happy and safe online

Talking to your child about sex & relationships

Being a Safe, Happy & Healthy Child

Health

Ideas to help your child

Mental health

Well-being

More details to follow in new year

Workshops to help with parenting

workshops

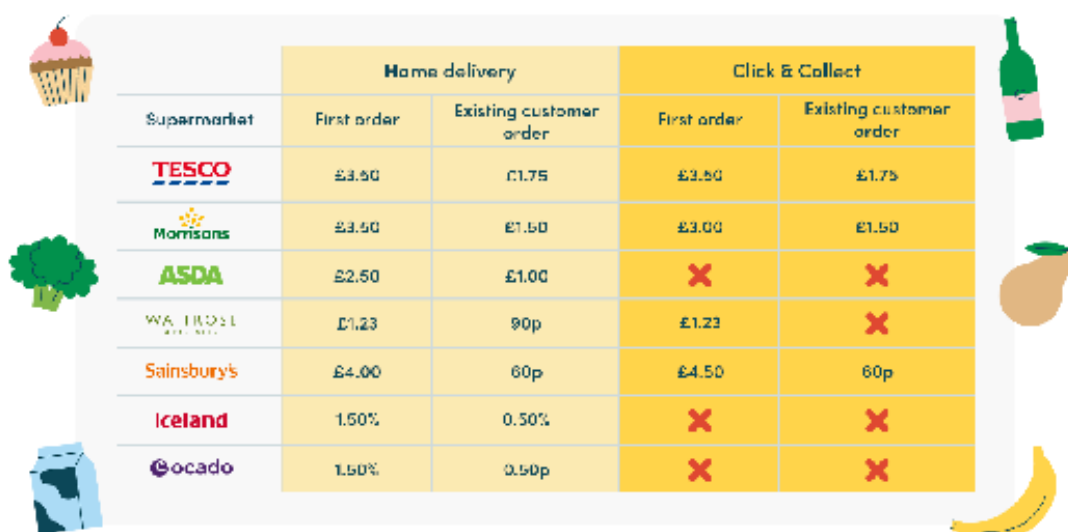
Fitzjohn's Primary School

86a Fitzjohn's Ave.,
NW3 6NP

In class session with the children

Turn your weekly shopping into BIG donations for our school

No matter who you shop with, or how you shop,
you can now raise FREE MONEY for Fitzjohn's!



Supermarket	Home delivery		Click & Collect	
	First order	Existing customer order	First order	Existing customer order
TESCO	£3.50	£1.75	£3.50	£1.75
Morrisons	£3.50	£1.50	£3.00	£1.50
ASDA	£2.50	£1.00	×	×
WALFORD	£1.23	90p	£1.23	×
Sainsbury's	£4.00	60p	£4.50	60p
Iceland	1.50%	0.50%	×	×
ocado	1.50%	0.50p	×	×

Minimum spend requirements apply. Full retailer T&Cs apply. Donation rates may change from time to time, rates above were correct as of 18/03/2023.

Raise a donation every time you shop with your supermarket

Last year we raised close to £1,000 just from
parents using easyfundraising for their online
shopping. It takes a couple of minutes to set-up,
and that's it!

These donations really help us,
so it would be great if you could
take a moment to get started:
[easyfundraising for Fitzjohn's](#)
Thank you!



**PRIMARY SCHOOL
T-SHIRT & HOODIE SALE!**

FITZJOHN'S PRIMARY SCHOOL HAS CREATED A NEW SITE TO BUY SCHOOL LOGO T-SHIRTS, HOODIES AND MORE FOR CHILDREN AND ADULTS. THE FITZJOHNSNW3 LOGO REPRESENTS OUR COMMUNITY AND AREA, AND IS IN AN EXACT REPLICA OF THE STREET SIGN DIRECTLY BESIDE THE SCHOOL ENTRANCE. THE HISTORY OF THIS LOGO IS UNIQUE TO OUR LOCATION AND HISTORY. OTHER LOGOS AVAILABLE ARE THE HOUSE SIGNS OF AIR, WATER, EARTH AND FIRE AND THE SCHOOL BUILDING LOGO.
<https://shop.spreadshirt.co.uk/FitzjohnsNW3>

Great Christmas or Hanukah gifts

Click here to be taken to the site.

T-SHIRTS: BETWEEN £12 - £17
 HOODIES: £27 - £37
 DEPENDING ON SIZE
 ALL ITEMS CAN BE PERSONALISED



Fitzjohn's Primary School
FITZJOHN'S NW3

Free Money!

You may all already know that everyone from Reception to Year 6 is now entitled for Free School Meals as these are being

funded by the government and the Mayor of London.

What you may not know is that the school gets extra money into our account for all those children who fulfil certain criteria.

Please could everyone check on this link to see if you are entitled - if you are then we get extra money!

<https://pps.lgfl.org.uk/>

Mental Health Support

Considering the events in Israel and Gaza if any of our parents feel they need support for their mental health or well-being then please email **d.moss@fitzjohns.camden.sch.uk** or **head@fitzjohns.camden.sch.uk** and we can try to signpost you to relevant help.

Corporate Funding - can you help?

Are you working in one of the banks or one of the big tech companies (Google, Microsoft, Facebook)? We are looking to speak to parents who work there about some corporate funding opportunities for the school.

Please get in touch with:
 Lee (Oscar's (Y2) and Rae's (N) dad): leefels79@gmail.com
 or Nitzan (Roni's (Y5) dad): nitzanyudan@hotmail.com

Assemblies (all at 9.15am)

- Friday 19 January Y2
- Friday 26 January Y1
- Friday 2 February Y3
- Friday 9 February Y4
- Friday 23 February Y5
- Friday 1 March Y6
- Friday 15 March Nursery

Tuesday 26 March Reception perform their play to parents

Dates for your Diary

- Monday 18 December Y6 War Rooms
- Tuesday 19 December 2.15pm N/R Singing
- Wednesday 20 December Magic Shows & parties
- Thursday 21 December 9.15am KS1 (Y1 & Y2 Winter Concert)
- Thursday 21 December School Closes 13.30
- Tuesday 9 January School Opens to Children
- Wednesday 10 January N-Y2 Fluoride tooth varnish
- Thursday 11 January Y1 CLC (in school)
- Friday 12 January 6pm Popcorn Night
- Wednesday 17 January The Fitzjohn's Conversation
- Monday 29 January Reception British Museum
- Wednesday 7 February Being a Safe Happy and Healthy Child**

Christmas Lunch Menu

Tuesday 19 December

- Roast Turkey Breast
- Chicken /veg sausage
- Parsnip and sweet potato loaf
- Roast potatoes
- Stuffing & gravy
- Carrots & peas

Chocolate frosted Christmas cake



STANDING ORDER MANDATE

To The Manager	
Bank Name	
Bank Address (optional)	
Bank Sort Code	
Bank Account Number	
Please Pay	
Payee Bank Name	Lloyds TSB
Payee Account Name	Fitzjohn's School Association
Payee Sort Code	30-93-80
Payee Account Number	00008235
Payment Amount (circle)	£30 £50 £100 £250 £500 Other: £
Frequency	STANDING ORDERS from my account as detailed in this instruction on the ___ day of every month
Date of First Payment	
Reference	Fitzjohn's Parents Appeal
Customer Details	
Print Name	
Signature	
Date	
Address	
Email	
Phone number	
GIFT AID IT—UK TAXPAYERS!	
<p>For every pound you give to us we get an extra 25p from the INLAND REVENUE so please sign below if you are a UK taxpayer*</p> <p>I am a UK taxpayer and under the GIFT AID scheme, I would like the Fitzjohn's School Association to claim back the tax on any donations I make until further notice OR have made in the past 4 years.</p> <p>Signature _____</p> <p><i>*To qualify for Gift Aid what you pay in UK income tax or capital gains tax must be at least equal to the amount we will claim in the tax year from the Inland Revenue. NB. Please notify us if you change your address. NB. You can cancel your standing order form at anytime.</i></p>	

PLEASE RETURN THE COMPLETED FORM TO THE FITZJOHN'S PRIMARY SCHOOL'S OFFICE.

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Homework for the Christmas Holidays: Draw and colour a BOOK THEMED flag

Do not write or draw here

Picture/book cover

Book title

Author

I like this book because:
