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8 March 2024

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Hat Parade

Olympics or Paris or Paris Olympics!

On Wednesday 27 March Y6 pupils and classes will be running stalls to raise money towards their school journey. We will also be hosting our annual Hat Parade. The theme this year is Paris, The Olympics or The Paris Olympics! We love to see your hats (adults can join in too). The parade starts at 2.45pm immediately followed by the stalls. Children will need cash as the stalls are cash only.

BBC Radio 1 Breakfast Show

As many of you know, last week, Radio 1 Breakfast Show came into Y6 to record a story with a former pupil. You can hear it here:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/sounds/play/m001wmyj> (at the 1.13 mark)

And...

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/sounds/play/m001wn1j> (at the 1.12 mark)

The story continues on Monday and possibly after.

The Video Links to the Radio 1 visit

TikTok

<https://vm.tiktok.com/ZGeyyXhUb/>

YouTube

https://youtu.be/OrlEJbSNgW0?si=Plpj_1fNHczi6Myt

Instagram

<https://www.instagram.com/reel/C4PuiJjNEt6/?igsh=b3ZIN2dvaWxpZzJq>

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<https://x.com/bbcr1/>

For clarity: the recording took place last week, she is not here any more, we have no idea where she is and have no more information than is shared on the audio and social media.

Dates for your Diary

- Tuesday 12 March Y3 CLC
- Wednesday 13 March N/R Zoo Lab
- Friday 15 March Y5 Google
- Friday 15 March Popcorn Night
- Thursday 21 March Y1 Coding
- Friday 22 March Y5/6 Stand Up! workshop
- Monday 25 March Y6 Tower of London
- Monday 25 March Y5 Moonwalkers
- Monday 25 March Chamber Choir performance
- Tuesday 26 March 10.15am Reception Performance to parents**
- Tuesday 26 March Y3 Roman Day
- Tuesday 26 March Jumble Sale
- Wednesday 27 March 2.45 Hat parade and Y6 Stalls

Attendance for the week
Our target is 95%+

Missing school is missing out

Year 1	94.09
Year 2	95.24
Year 3	92.90
Year 4	94.82
Year 5	93.62
Year 6	92.49
School	93.89

Well done Year 2

Parent Donations

£50

Donation



Scan to pay

£100

Donation



Scan to pay



The Fitzjohn's Spring Clean Jumble Sale is back!

Tuesday 26th March 3.15-5pm



ONLY GIVE WHAT YOU WOULD BUY



YES PLEASE:

- ✓ Books
- ✓ Toys, games, puzzles
- ✓ Backpacks, lunch bags
(clean and stain free)
- ✓ Balls, rackets, sport equipment
- ✓ Soft toys
(washed)
- ✓ Dress ups
- ✓ Bikes & scooters

NO THANK YOU:

- ⊘ Broken items / missing pieces
- ⊘ Clothes or shoes (please use the collection bin by KS2 entrance)
- ⊘ DVD
- ⊘ Party bags / magazine plastic toys
- ⊘ Used slime, play dough, putty
- ⊘ Baby toys or items

Collection starts Friday 8th March



Please clean and wash everything

ITEMS FOR AGES 3-12 YEARS ONLY



All the money raised will go towards sport, art and music at school.





Parent Governor : Election Update

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Ballot papers plus candidate statements were sent out via your child's school bag yesterday (in the case of siblings, the eldest child)

Please return the ballot envelope to myself c/o the School Office by 10am on Monday 18th March .

Mike Herlihy
Clerk

Disney
ENCANTO

POPCORN NIGHT
FRIDAY | 15 MARCH | 5:45 PM
Join us to watch - ENCANTO
£2 Entry Hotdogs
Includes popcorn & Snacks.



St Michael's COfE Primary School
North Road, Highgate, N6 4BG



FOR CHILDREN AGED 6 TO 11
DURING SCHOOL HOLIDAYS
FROM 10AM TO 3PM

WHOLE WEEK OR DAILY
BOOKINGS AVAILABLE
10% OFF WHEN BOOKING
THE WHOLE WEEK
10% OFF SIBLING DISCOUNT
ALL MATERIALS INCLUDED



BOOK NOW!



WWW.ARTCAMPSWITHNINA.CO.UK

This week in class

Nursery	This week Nursery have loved reading 'The Enormous Turnip'. We loved it so much that we've acted it out 4 times! The children have sequenced pictures from the story, as well as acting it out with role play props independently. We've heard lots of rich story language and observed wonderful re-tellings. We have even created our own 'Enormous Turnip' stories, we've heard The Enormous Carrot, The Enormous Pea and The Enormous Olive, to name a few. On Wednesday we baked with Apollo's dad, Steve. The cookies were delicious! World book day was so much fun, it was great to see everyone dressed up, we had three Zogs flying around! On Thursday Apollo's mum, Sophie, acted out Little Red Riding Hood with Apollo. I think we're going to have to do more acting from now on. We can't wait to share our assembly with you next week.
Reception	Reception have been in the deep dark wood this week. We painted all the characters from the Gruffalo, to add to our own woodland role play in the classroom. We have loved having a campfire, looking for woodland animals and setting up picnics in the wood. In phonics we have continued to read and write words with more than one digraphs. There are no more tricky words this term so we are just recapping all the ones we do know. In maths we have been still working on the numbers that make 10, trying to remember the rhymes, and we have also been doing some doubling. World Book Day was lots of fun-reading books, talking about characters and even doing some writing. Finally, with Mothers Day on Sunday we made some cards for our special Mummies showing them how much we love them!
Class 1	This week in literacy we have been learning all about writing instructions. We read the story Hansel and Gretel and have written a list of instructions about how to make a gingerbread house. We will be making our houses next week! In maths we have focused on doubling numbers to 20. We have learnt a doubles song and have carried out lots of addition practical activities. In science we made a rain gauge and have placed it in the garden to measure how much rain will fall over the next 2 weeks. We have also been keeping a weather diary. In topic we took part in a class quiz all about Christopher Columbus and in art we created some fantastic paintings of one of his ships.
Class 2	This week in class 2, we welcomed James Bond, Banana, Lemon, Skittles and Sunny! It's been an amazing experience for the children to see the 5 eggs that turned up on Tuesday hatch into little ducklings. Class 2 have been excellent at keeping their voices quiet so as not to worry them. We have been talking about life cycles, habitats and offspring and it will greatly enrich our science learning. In literacy, we started adventure stories based on 'The Great Wave' by Hokusai. In maths, we have explored shape, studying symmetry and vertices. We look forward to watching the ducklings continue to grow next week, before they go to live a long and happy life on a farm in Kent.
Class 3	Class 3 began Book Week with a special live online event, where the author Michael Rosen read us all a story and talked about writing books. On World Book Day, we dressed up as book characters, and world-famous detective Sherlock Holmes came in to teach us. We made a wonderful book cover display on the classroom door, based on Elmer the elephant and the book's important message about celebrating individuality and differences. In maths, we completed our measurement unit by investigating and solving perimeter problems. Next week, we start on fractions. More investigation in science, testing out different surfaces to see how much they slowed down a car toy with friction. We measured and recorded the results carefully, and drew conclusions. In history, we examined artefacts belonging to a Roman soldier. A reminder that on Tuesday 12th March, we'll be going to the CLC on our class trip all day, and eating our packed lunches there.
Class 4	Year 4 have had a great week. In Maths, we have been learning to calculate the perimeter when there are missing lengths. In Literacy, we have been researching the explorer Marco Polo. We then moved on to studying the features of a newspaper article. Next week we will be planning and writing our own newspaper reports about the discoveries Marco Polo brought to Europe from China. In RE, we have been learning about the story of Holi in Hinduism. We have thought about the differences between good and evil. In PSHE, we have reminded ourselves of appropriate school behaviour and how to show respect to adults and peers. It's also been Book Week! We loved reading our class text of Ghanaian Goldilocks and making comparisons between Ghana and the UK.
Class 5	This week, Class 5 has been learning about perimeter in Maths, while in Literacy we looked at the features of newspaper reports and wrote our own reports on Little Red Riding Hood from the wolf's point of view, as part of World Book Day. In Science, we discussed the geocentric and heliocentric approach of the universe, understanding how theories have changed over the years and looking into the evidence of the heliocentric theory. In History, Class 5 learned about the Mayan number system. Lastly, we enjoyed editing our films and watching them with parents.
Class 6	How does the eye see? This was our question in Science this week. Children looked at the different parts of the eye, including the optic nerve which sends signals to the brain that allow us to perceive an image. In Literacy, we focused on direct and reported speech and we began the planning of our formal, newspaper report. In Maths, algebra continues to be our topic and we learned about the difference between expressions and equations, using our knowledge to solve both 1 and 2-step problems. We also learned about the notorious highwayman 'Dick Turpin' in our topic lessons, using a range of sources to consider the following question: Was Turpin a hero or a villain? On Friday, the children completed a fiendish investigation involving a set of cards numbered 1-20: ask your children all about it.

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 For Sports Day, leavers, etc

Click here to be taken to the site.

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



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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/>

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

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	£2.50	£1.75
MORRISONS	£3.50	£1.50	£3.00	£1.50
ASDA	£2.50	£1.00	✗	✗
WALMART	£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 TSC's apply. Don't on 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](https://www.easyfundraising.com/)

Thank you!



Thank a Teacher

If you want to thank anyone working in our school this is a great way of doing it. From experience I know that they are greatly appreciated and can act as a springboard to the National Teaching Awards.

<https://thankateacher.co.uk/>

Assemblies (all at 9.15am)

Friday 15 March Nursery

Tuesday 26 March Reception perform their play to parents at 10.15am.



We have limited stock of these high quality branded umbrellas for sale. I have the same brand through The Magic Circle (of which I am a Member—have I said?) and they are very good.

On sale for £25 (cash preferred please)

If you would like to buy one please ask Nashima in the office.

FITZJOHN'S SCHOOL TERM AND HOLIDAY DATES: 2024/2025

AUTUMN TERM 2024	
INSET Days - pupils not in school	Monday 2 and Tuesday 3 September
TERM BEGINS FOR PUPILS	Wednesday 4 September
Half term holiday	Monday 28 – Friday 1 November 2024
SECOND HALF-TERM BEGINS	Monday 4 November 2024
INSET Day – pupils not in school (Parent/Teacher Meetings)	Monday 18 November 2024
Term Ends	Friday 20 December 13.30
SPRING TERM 2025	
INSET Day - pupils not in school	Monday 6 January 2025
TERM BEGINS FOR PUPILS	Tuesday 7 January
Half term holiday	Monday 17– Tuesday 21 February 2025
SECOND HALF-TERM BEGINS	MONDAY 24 FEBRUARY 2024
Term Ends	Friday 4 April 2025
SPRING HOLIDAYS	Monday 7 April – Monday 21 April 2025
SUMMER TERM 2025	
INSET Day - pupils not in school	Tuesday 22 April 2025
TERM BEGINS FOR PUPILS	Wednesday 23 April 2025
Half term holiday	Monday 26 May - Friday 30 May 2025
SECOND HALF-TERM BEGINS	Monday 2 June 2025
Term ends	13.30 Tuesday 22 July 2025
PUBLIC HOLIDAYS	
Christmas Day	Wednesday 25 December
Boxing Day	Thursday 26 December
New Year's Day	Wednesday 1 January
Good Friday	Friday 18 April
Easter Monday	Monday 21 April
May Day	Monday 5 May
Spring Bank holiday	Monday 26 May
<p style="color: red; font-weight: bold; margin: 0;">Please do not book holidays during term time.</p> <p style="color: red; font-weight: bold; margin: 0;">We do not set learning for children who are taken away on holiday. They should read, keep a diary, practise their number bonds or timetables.</p>	

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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