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Welcome Back

I hope that you had a great spring break! Summer lies ahead with loads to look forward to.

Ofsted:

This was an ungraded inspection. Results are confidential until the report is published but what I can say is how proud I was of everyone who took part: the children, the staff, the parents and the governors. For those of you who have never been through it it's hard to explain how busy and stressful these two days can be everyone was very resilient! Thank you to everyone who helped make it go smoothly and constructively. As soon as the report is published we will send you a copy.

Rob will be out Monday to Wednesday next week as he is reviewing a school in Southampton.

Debbie will be out Monday and Tuesday. In their absence please speak to Emma Combes or Emma Teboul.

The more observant amongst you may have noticed that Emma Teboul (Y4) is pregnant. She will continue to work with Y4 until the end of the year. We are in the process of looking for maternity cover.

Summer Term Assemblies all at 9.15


Friday 3 May Y4
Friday 10 May Y3
Friday 17 May Y2
Friday 24 May Y1
Friday 14 June Y5
Friday 21 June Reception
Friday 28 June Nursery
Y6 perform The Switch 7.30pm Wednesday 17 July

Dates for your Diary

Monday 29 April 3pm-6pm Y1-Y6 Parent/teacher meetings
Tuesday 30 April Nursery Camley Street
Thursday 2 May Governors Morning in School
Monday 6 May BANK HOLIDAY
Tuesday 7 May Y1 Golders hill Park
Wednesday 8 May PHOTO DAY
13-17 May Y6 SATS
Friday 17 May International Food Evening
Monday 20 May Y3 Camley St
27-31 May Half term
3-7 June Y6 School Journey
Monday 10 June KS2 Provisional Sports Day
Friday 21 June Y5 Pedestrian skills
Friday 21 June Y4 London Zoo
Tuesday 18 June Y1 Camley St
Thursday 20 June EYFS/Provisional Sports Day
1-5 July Y6 Swimming
8-12 July Y6 Swimming
Tuesday 9 July Reception Pizza Express
Saturday 13 July Summer fair
Wednesday 17 July 7.30pm Y6 play
Tuesday 23 July 9.30am Reception graduation
Tuesday 23 July 6pm Y6 Leavers Disco
Tuesday 23 July 7.30pm Y6 Leavers assembly
Wednesday 24 July 13.30 school closes

Chag Pesach sameach!

Our Jewish community will be observing Pesach (Passover) on Monday and Tuesday of next week.

<p><i>Attendance for the week</i> Our target is 95%+ <i>Missing school is missing out</i></p>		<p>Parent Donations</p> <p>£50</p> <p>Donation</p>  <p>Scan to pay</p>
Year 1	94.42%	<p>Payments for outstanding debts for Nursery payments, Autumn and Spring clubs and music to be clear ASAP.... please</p>
Year 2	88.16%	
Year 3	91.52%	
Year 4	96.55%	
Year 5	92.61%	
Year 6	92.89%	
School	92.71%	
Well done Y4.		

This week in class	
Nursery	We are so proud of the maturity displayed by Nursery after returning from the Easter break. We've settled straight back into routine and witnessed wonderful play. We started our new Minibeast topic by reading Superworm. In maths we made playdough worms and measured the longest and the shortest. We had lots of comparisons and mathematical language being used during play. In phonics we've explored the /w/ phoneme. Nursery have such good phonetic awareness and came up with so many extra words, such as witch, wand, wind, water, watermelon. Many of the children didn't know what a walrus looked like so we researched images and visited Greenland on Google Earth. We also read the Giant Artic Jelly fish and looked at the northern circle on GE. This week the children experienced woodwork for the first time. We talked about the importance of safety when using tools and that we must wear safety goggles at all times. The children were incredibly sensible and loved making different creations with wood and other resources.
Reception	Reception have been celebrating this week. First we learnt all about Eid. We read some stories and learnt some of the things Muslims do during Ramadan and then to celebrate Eid-al-Fitr. We looked at pictures of mosques and attempted to make some with the construction. We liked making Eid cards too. On Thursday we had Tanya, Dana and Sagi come in to talk to us about Pesach, and we shared some 'wine' and matzah. In maths this week we have been meeting the Numberblocks 11 and 12. We have been counting up to these numbers, find out which smaller numbers are in the numbers and say one more and one less. In phonics this week we wrote a sentence remembering to start with a capital, use finger spaces and end with a full stop.
Class 1	This week in literacy we have started looking at the story 'Katie in London'. We discussed the story and all of the familiar landmarks we spotted. In maths we have started learning about multiplication and counting in 2s, 5s and 10s. We have learnt some great number songs, played numerous games and used bead strings, 100 squares etc to help us count. In phonics we are recapping all of our phase 5 phonemes ready for our phonics screening test in June. Our new topic this half term is 'Hampstead'. We have looked at books and also discussed the author A.A. Milne who wrote Winnie the Pooh and was born in Hampstead. Well done for working hard during a super busy week Year 1!
Class 2	Welcome back. I hope you all had a good break. Class 2 have demonstrated great resilience (our value for this half term) this week, in getting back into the swing of school. We have started learning about the Stone Age, particularly Stone Age houses and clothing. Class 2 started designing their own Stone Age tunic, which they will sew and decorate soon. In Science, we are investigating whether soil is necessary to plant growth and have set up an investigation to test our hypothesis. We will continue to study plants this half term, with a trip to Kew Gardens on Wednesday 15th May. In maths, we are studying 'mass, capacity and temperature' and in literacy, we are writing information books about the Stone Age. Please remember that we will be going to Keats Library this coming Tuesday (23rd April) Please could children return any outstanding library books. Please also let me know if you are able to accompany us. Thank you.
Class 3	During maths this week, year 3 have enjoyed learning about Mass and Capacity. We started by learning how to read scales then measuring using grams and kilograms and finally, working out equivalent masses using both of these units of measure. In literacy, we have started our Legends topic and we have read the Anglo-Saxon Poem Beowulf. We discussed the different language and vocabulary used in the poem and clarified unfamiliar words. We learned how to use apostrophes for possession and were correcting sentences during this as well. In science, we started our Plants topic. We identified and labelled the parts of a flowering plant as well as made a folding leaflet to demonstrate our understanding of the jobs and functions each part does as well. Our new history topic is Anglo Saxons which we have enjoyed learning the history of and in particular, the reasons why they decided to come to Britain.
Class 4	It's been a full on first week back after the Easter break! Infact, what Easter break?! We have started our new topic of The Vikings, studying who they were, where they came from and when and why they invaded Britain. In Maths, we have finished our unit on Fractions by adding and subtracting fractions with the same denominator and converting these into improper fractions. Extra practice on this at home would be beneficial. In Literacy, we learnt some famous Viking sagas and identified some of their features. We then started our Class Text "Arthur and the Golden Rope." We are learning to describe characters using showing not telling techniques. In DT, we played some fun games involving light bulbs and buzzers. We are planning our own electronic quiz to link into our Science topic on Electricity.
Class 5	This week, Class 5 has learned in Maths how to classify angles as acute, obtuse, reflex and right angles, estimate their degrees and use a protractor to accurately measure them. In Literacy, we started reading the graphic novel The Arrival by Shaun Tan, analysing the first two chapters and answering comprehension questions. In Geography, Class 5 used atlases to locate the countries and capital cities of North and South America, while in RE we looked into Rites of Passage and in PSHE we discussed the qualities of a good friend.
Class 6	After a restful break, year 6 got straight back in to their stride preparing for the upcoming SATs tests. We have been reviewing geometry including shape and angles as it remains a 'gappy' area of knowledge. We have also looked at calculating the area of triangles and the equivalence between fractions, decimals, and percentages. In Literacy, we concluded our topic on persuasion by penning a letter to an ancient King asking for clemency for a fictional friend who has been sentenced to a trial by ordeal. On Wednesday, we had a great return to the RAF Museum in Hendon to participate in a day all about Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths.

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; margin: 0;">Please do not book holidays during term time.</p> <p style="color: red; 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>	

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	×	×
Sainsbury's	£1.23	90p	£1.23	×
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/>



We have very 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.

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>	

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