



# Pooles Park Primary School

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# Newsletter



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## ATTENDANCE WEEK ENDING 04/10/2019

CLASS	ATTENDANCE
Finsbury Park	98.6%
Highbury & Islington	88.4%
Victoria	96.9%
Covent Garden	96.7%
Piccadilly Circus	96.8%
Crouch Hill	99.2%
Stratford	96.7%
Liverpool Street	99.2%
Holloway Road	92.9%
Caledonian Road	96.3%
Hoxton	93.1%
Shoreditch	94.2%

### \*\*\*\*HALF TERM\*\*\*\*

Reminder we break up for the Half Term break on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October (at the normal time). School re-opens on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> October.

### SECONDARY SCHOOL SEPTEMBER 2020

If your child is in Year 6, you will be aware that you must apply online for a Secondary School place for your child. The deadline date for applications is 31<sup>st</sup> October 2019. However, it is advisable that you get your application in by next Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October, when we break up for the Half Term.

### \*\*\*\*\*CLASS NEWS\*\*\*\*\*

#### Nursery

This week Nursery children have really enjoyed exploring shape. They have named shapes, made pictures and patterns with them and fed them to shape monsters. Please look out for different shapes when you are out and about with your child. Ask them to name them and count them. Next week we will be reading 'Owl Babies'. We will be thinking about our feelings and how we share them. Nursery children have also started going to our Computer Room on Mondays and continue to visit the Forest Garden. We will be starting to upload pictures and observations of your children to Tapestry. Please make sure you have the App and have activated your account. If you have any questions about this, please ask a member of EYFS staff and we will be happy to help you.

#### Reception

This week we have been using our imaginations. We have been learning about story settings and characters and have made up our own stories about what could be behind different magical doors! We have been learning about measuring time through looking at our daily routines and comparing what is the same and different about each other's routines, as well as midweek and weekend. We have also been using a variety of timers to see how quickly we can fill pots with buttons and other objects, using our hands or large tweezers!

#### Year 1

Year 1 had a brilliant Computing Workshop this week, where they were able to make a collage using a photo editing programme. In Art, the children are developing their pencil control and will finish an optical illusion Art piece next week. In Maths, we are developing our counting and beginning to write and solve simple calculations. Don't forget, we are going to the Institute of Physics on Monday. The children will need a coat in case it rains.

#### Year 2

This week in Year 2, we have started to create stories inspired by 'Journey'. The children have drawn a story map and thought about speech, descriptions and actions they are going to use when it comes to writing. In Maths, we have been learning how to use the inverse of + and - to check our calculations. Thank you to the parents who came to Covent Garden's planting session on Thursday, the children really enjoyed spending this time with you!

#### Year 3/4

It has been a busy week in Year 3 and 4! Liverpool Street went to Islington to attend a Computing Workshop on stop-motion animation. Stratford and Crouch Hill will attend this workshop next month. Also, thirty children from across the Year groups went to the Primary Proms on Thursday and had a wonderful time. Next month, there will be an opportunity for another group of children to attend a theatre performance as we strive to offer different cultural opportunities for the children. We have also been busy completing our module on place value in Maths, before moving on to addition next week. In Literacy, we have been using expanded noun phrases and conjunctions. In RE, we have been discussing parables and in Topic, we have been learning about Roman Gods.

#### Year 5

Year 5 have been being very persuasive this week, writing advice to Romeo about how he should approach the problem of being banished as a newlywed. In Maths, we are looking at addition and subtraction, using our knowledge of rounding and place value to check and estimate our answers, and also to make sure all the numbers are lined up in the correct place value columns! Holloway Road have received letters about our performance on the 31st of October - please see Miss Bye with any questions.

#### Year 6

Year 6 have been writing letters this week, in the style of a character from the book 'Friend or Foe.' They have had to imagine what it would have felt like as evacuees during World War II. In Maths, we have been building our confidence with different methods to work out multiplication questions. Thank you to all the parents who attended parent meetings this week.