

Pooles Rark P<u>r</u>imary School We are a READING

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ATTENDANCE WEEK ENDING 07/02/2020



CLASS	ATTENDANCE
Kings Cross	98.2%
Highbury & Islington	98.2%
Victoria	87.3%
Covent Garden	95.3%
Piccadilly Circus	93.2%
Crouch Hill	86.4%
Stratford	97.4%
Liverpool Street	77.5%
Holloway Road	96.5%
Caledonian Road	96.8%
Hoxton	93.1%
Shoreditch	94.6%

****ATTENDANCE CLASS WINNERS****

All classes were entered into a draw where children have had 100% attendance. The winners for week ending 07/02/2020 were Highbury & Islington. Well Done!



Reminder that school is closed next week for Half Term. School re-opens on Monday 24th February. Have a lovely restful break!

Parent Workshop Tuesday 25th February 9.00 a.m. in the Booking Office

Sex and Relationships Education - Curriculum coverage and resources will be available. There will be a question and answer session.

*****BREAKFAST CLUB*****

Breakfast Club starts at 8.00 a.m. Some children are coming to school before 8.00 a.m. and left in Reception. You must stay with your child until it is time for them to go to the club, as there is no staff available to supervise them before 8.00 a.m.

ASS NEWS*

Nursery/Reception

We have carried on with Jack and the Beanstalk this week, using our imaginations to think about what would be at the top of our own magic beanstalks. We have been learning about the life cycle of a bean and watched a time lapse to some emotive music. We pretended to be a bean growing tall and strong. We received a letter from the Giant asking us to collect some objects that were longer than, shorter than and the same length as his footprint. The children had lots of fun finding different sized objects and comparing them.

The children have been learning about life inside and outside of the castle walls. They have learned about the different jobs that different individuals did in medieval times. They created castle cards using printing techniques. In Maths, they have been learning about whole, half and quarter turns to use to help them to follow directions on a map.

Year 2

This week, the children have continued to impress us with their resilience towards our division and multiplication work in Maths. In Literacy, we have been creating fact files about George Cadbury, the inventor of the infamous chocolate brand. The children were so inspired that they created their very own chocolate bars (even more delicious than Cadbury's!). In P4C, we discussed whether we would prefer to have a magic carpet, a money tree or an invisibility cloak - find out what your child chose and discuss their reasoning with them.

Year 3/4

This week Year 3/4 started a new story in Literacy called Sugarcane Juice. Through this, we have been exploring Pakistan and their amazingly colourful busses! We have also had a week full of experiments in Science where we tested ice and chocolate to see what happens when they are heated up. On Wednesday, we returned to Islington Library – well done to all those who returned the books that they borrowed last time. After spending the last few weeks designing, making and decorating our volcanoes we were also finally ready to create some big explosions! We hope you all have a restful half term!

Year 5

This week Year 5 have been inspired by cooking authentic Anglo Saxon pottage and have been thinking about health and safety and extra information when re-writing the recipe. In Maths, we have continued our work adding fractions with different denominators and applying this to reasoning questions. In Topic, we have been concluding our unit on Anglo Saxons by producing pieces of writing. We are looking forward to finding out what happened when the Vikings invaded.

Year 6

This week Year 6 have been writing and editing setting descriptions in their Literacy lessons. We have developed our use of a range of descriptive devices, including similes and personification. We have been building on our knowledge of place value in Maths, by comparing numbers and rounding numbers. Well done to all of Year 6 for their hard work this half term.

Parents and Carers information letter

Dear Parents/Carers,

On **Tuesday 11th February** we joined schools and youth settings across the UK in celebrating **Safer Internet Day 2020**. Safer Internet Day is a global campaign to promote the safe and responsible use of technology, which calls on young people, parents, carers, teachers, social workers, law enforcement, companies, policymakers, and wider, to join together in helping to create a better internet.

Using the internet safely and positively is a key message that we promote in Pooles Park Primary School and celebrating Safer Internet Day was a great opportunity for us to re-emphasise the online safety messages we deliver throughout the year. Some of the activities we participated in on the day included:

- An assembly held by a lead Computing educator
- Workshops run by a lead Computing educator
- Watching and discussing safer internet films
- Taking part in safer internet quizzes
- Exploring scenarios related to using the internet safely

We would be delighted if you could join us in celebrating the day by continuing the conversation at home. To help you with this you may be interested in downloading the **free** Safer Internet Day resource pack for parents and carers which is available at <u>saferinternet.org.uk/sid-parents</u>.

There are also <u>top tips</u>, <u>a quiz</u> and <u>films</u> which you can use at home with your child. Some other resources which you may find helpful in supporting your child online are:

- Advice for parents and carers from Childnet
- Tips, advice and guides for parents and carers from the <u>UK Safer Internet</u> Centre
- Guides on popular apps and games from <u>NetAware</u>
- Reviews and information about games, apps, TV shows and websites from Common Sense Media
- Help on using parental controls and privacy settings from <u>Internet Matters</u>
- Information and reporting of online grooming or abuse from CEOP

Online safety is an important issue which as a school we are committed to teaching our pupils about. If you have any concerns or questions about keeping your child safe online, please do get in touch with your child's class teacher/myself or our Designated Safeguarding Lead.

Kind regards,

Miss John Computing Lead







DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



Thursday 5 th March	World Book Day
Monday 16 th - Friday 20 th March	Shakespeare Week
Wednesday 6 th May	Year 5 – Into University
Wednesday 8 th July	Year 6 School Journey
Wednesday 15 th July	Year 6 Production-Graduations/Leavers Show





CLASS/YEAR GROUP ASSEMBLIES 9.10 AM

DATE	CLASS/YEAR GROUP
Wednesday 11 th March	Holloway Road
Wednesday 18 th March	Liverpool Street
Wednesday 25 th March	Stratford
Wednesday 1 st April	Caledonian Road
Wednesday 13 th May	Piccadilly Circus
Wednesday 20 th May	Victoria