



NEWSLETTER

OUR VALUE FOR JULY IS EMPATHY



HEAD TEACHER'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents/Carers,
 Have you booked your Parents Progress Evening yet? I am currently reading every child's report and am delighted to see the evidence of real progress and high achievement that they contain. Your children have so many talents and such potential. You will receive their reports on Monday 15th July and I would urge you to ensure that you prioritise the opportunity to meet with teachers to discuss the report. Have a good weekend.

J. Wade
 Head Teacher

Year 5



On Tuesday 2nd July, 5 Amethyst visited the Western Marble Arch Synagogue. From the outside, there is little to see, but inside is amazing. Rabbi Daniel explained many things to us about the histories of Judaism, Islam and Christianity and how these religions are related. We opened the Ark and saw the Torah!

Ayub: The best thing about a Synagogue is that it doesn't need to be a big building. You only need three things- the everlasting light, a Torah and a table.

Ridwaan: This means that Judaism is a portable religion!

Safia: We learnt about the different calendars religions use. Islam uses the lunar calendar- this is why Ramadan moves each year. Christianity uses the solar calendar. Judaism uses both the solar and lunar calendars. Islam, Christianity and Judaism are all Abrahamic religions.

Vanessa: We saw a cupboard called an Ark where the Torah scrolls are stored. If you drop the Torah, you have to fast.

Yacqub A: Once the Ark is opened, no-one can leave the Synagogue. Once the Torah is open, you have to read from it.

Yusra: A Torah is handwritten on parchment and this takes a year to do! Only a professional can do this. When the Torah is put away, it has a crown, a yad, a shield and an aleph hanging from it.





YEAR 4

On Thursday, Year 4 were treated to an amazing performance by the London Children's Ballet at the Peacock Theatre.

We arrived to discover we were sitting right behind the orchestra, which provoked many exclamations of surprise and delight!

The show was based on the story of The Secret Garden, by Frances Hodgson Burnett and all the dancers were very skilled children.

The children were impressed by the talent, the beautiful costumes and the lavish sets. Every time a scene ended, the cheers were deafening.

After the show, the dancers were all waiting to greet us as we left.





YEAR 3

On Thursday, our students participated in an inspiring workshops led by Farzad Sharifi, author of Poppy of the Fog. During these sessions, the children delved into various themes from his book, including dreams, aspirations, and setbacks. It was a fantastic opportunity for them to explore these important topics in a fun and engaging way. The children learnt the skills needed to be an author and planned a story map for the sequel of the book.



**WELL
DONE**

KEYSTAGE 1

No Pen Day

On Wednesday, pupils buzzed with excitement as it was 'No Pen Day', the time was spent sewing animal puppets. This hands-on activity sparked creativity and refined their fine motor skills.

Marharyta, shared her sewing method: "I just need to follow the holes and push the needle up and down." Ibrahim A. expressed his excitement: "My hand makes the puppet move," highlighting the joy of bringing his creations to life.

By putting down pens and engaging in tactile, creative processes, pupils can engage in new ways to express themselves and develop valuable skills.



Year 1 Maths Fun with Number Bonds and 3D Shapes!

In Year 1 Maths, the children have been enthusiastically exploring number bonds to 10 and 20. They created missing number chatter-boxes to help them understand these concepts in a fun and interactive way.

Some of the students constructed their chatter-boxes with LEGO, while others used Polydron to create impressive 3D shapes.

Afia: "Me and Afnan used flat shapes to make 3D structures."

Afnan: "We are making a cuboid. It has 4 rectangles and 2 squares."

Zayyan A had an interesting observation: "Did you know $16 + \text{something that makes } 20$ is the same as $6 + \text{something}$, but it's just ten more?"

Velan: shared a helpful tip for tackling missing number bonds: "For missing number bonds, use part-part-whole."





RECEPTION



This week we have enjoyed starting our new topic Exploring Structures and learning about famous London Structures such as St Paul's Cathedral. The children were very excited to go on a walking tour of London starting at the Embankment and finishing at Blackfriars Bridge. On the way the children looked for bridges, towers and skyscrapers. The children were eager to walk over bridges and thrilled to watch the boats on the river.

Our children have been practicing for the **Singing Extravaganza** on **Friday 12th of July at 9am**. We hope that you can come and join our singing celebration.

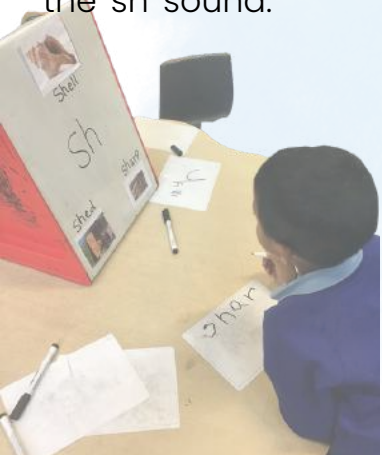


NURSERY



This week we learnt about animals of Asia and read the book 'Elephants Never Forget', by Anushka Ravishankar. The children learned that elephants live in Asia (as well as in Africa) but that Asian elephants are different to their African cousins because they are smaller and many don't have tusks. The children thought about what it might be like to be an elephant by wallowing toy elephants in wet sand! In our story this week, a baby elephant gets lost in the jungle during a storm and joins a herd of water buffaloes. The elephant likes being a buffalo and chooses to stay with them. We talked about the importance of family and feeling like we belong somewhere.

In phonics this week we learnt about the 'sh' sound. We played 'what's in the box?' and found Shahzada in there, along with shell, shoes and shirt. The children enjoyed having a go at writing the letters that make the 'sh' sound.



In music the children have been practising the songs for our EYFS and KS1 singing extravaganza on the 12th of July. We are looking forward to performing the songs for our lovely parents! We have also been practising our notation reading and some children were composing body percussion patterns for everyone to copy.

In Friday's stay & play session the children and parents worked together to think about emotions and decorate an elephant face template to show how they are feeling.

Last Friday the first nursery group visited London Zoo! We were lucky enough to have great views of the penguins, tigers, camels, gorillas, giraffes, zebras, emus and many other animals!



Attendance & Punctuality



Week	1	2	3	4	5	6
Jet	95%	97%	91%	89%	97%	
Topaz	92%	94%	92%	87%	86%	
Amber	93%	98%	94%	94%	96%	
Emerald	94%	98%	94%	93%	96%	
Opal	91%	96%	93%	94%	88%	
3 Garnet	88%	97%	95%	97%	99%	
3 Pearl	99%	95%	95%	97%	98%	
4 Onyx	95%	95%	95%	92%	94%	
4 Quartz	95%	94%	96%	94%	93%	
5 Amethyst	97%	94%	96%	91%	98%	
6 Sapphire	99%	96%	96%	93%	91%	
Total	94%	96%	94%	93%	94%	
Camden	94%	94%	94%			

Well done to Jet, Amber, Emerald, 3 Garnet, 3 Pearl and 5 Amethyst for attaining the target of 96% attendance this week.

This week **149** of sessions in the registers were marked as 'L' (Late). Pupils should be in their line at **8.40am**, ready to go up to class and be marked into the register at 8.45am when school begins.

Exceptional Leave:

Parents are reminded not to book holidays during school term time.

If there is an emergency and you need exceptional leave, please complete a form from the school office and await the decision from the headteacher before booking your tickets.

Reporting Absences

Parents should report any absences to the school office by calling 02078374590 before 9.30am.

Please do not leave messages on the answering machine. A member of staff may call you again to discuss the absence.

Please do not send emails to the admin inbox.

Every School Day Counts

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 8th

Trip: Year 2 attend The launch of Summer Reading Challenge at The British Library from 10.45am - 12.15pm

Tuesday 9th

Trip: KS1 visit London Zoo from 9.15am - 3.15pm

Wednesday 10th

Trip: KS1 visit Regents Place from 9am - 12pm
Trip: Year 5 visit St Pancras Station from 10.30am - 11.30am

Thursday 11th

Trip: Nursery visit The Foundling Museum from 12.30pm - 2.30pm

Friday 12th

Parents evening bookings close at 4pm

Monday 15th

Reports go home today
Parents Evenings begin
Event: Star Pupils Assembly from 9am - Parents welcome by invitation only

Tuesday 16th

Parents Evenings
Trip: KS1 visit Highgate Woods from 9.30am - 3pm

Wednesday 17th

Parents Evenings
Event: Year 6 Performance at 9.30am - Parents welcome and VIPs

Thursday 18th

Parents Evenings
Event: Governor morning Times TBC

Friday 19th

Transition Day
Parents Evenings - Nursery only
Event: New Reception pupils visit - from 1pm to 3pm

Monday 22nd

Event: Star Pupil assembly from 9am - 10am - By invitation only

Tuesday 23rd

Event: Year 6 end of year disco from 4pm - 5.30pm

Wednesday 24th

School closes at 1.45pm