



Artwork by Year 2

1st November 2023

We hope you have all had a restful and relaxing half term break. We have much to look forward to in the second half of term. This is always a busy and exciting part of the year

#### **Attendance**

Punctuality and attendance continues to improve and it is great to see the number of children who have managed to keep well and not miss a single day of school this half term. Long may this continue!

Year 1 is still proving to be the class to beat, with 97% attendance this week.

Year 3 and Year 5 still have 95%+ attendance and the great news is that all other classes are hot on their heels. Well done everyone.

Please remember to call or email the school if your child is unwell as early as you can. New rulings mean that not only can parents be fined for unauthorised holidays, but they can also be fined for unauthorised absences. It is important to keep us informed.

NEWS	NEWS	NEWS
Harvest Festival  We ended the last half term with Year 3 and Year 4 treating us to a wonderful assembly all about harvest time and harvest around the world. The readings, instrument playing, singing and	Origami Workshop We were delighted to have Chisato and Hannah (Year 2) kindly leading staff in an after school origami workshop this week. We all had fun and tried hard:) Thank you Chisato, we now all have a new skill!	Chestertons Coat Collection for charity Our local estate agent, Chestertons, who regularly sponsor some of our Parents Association's fundraising events, are running their annual coat collection event. If you have any wearable winter

all round performances were excellent, reflecting all the colours and changes of the season. Please take a look at some of their lovely artwork in the school hall.

Thank you to all of those who donated food for our harvest collection. We will send all of the food collected to the local food bank.











coats that you can donate, please bring them to school by **Monday 6th November** 

#### School Admissions Year 6 Parents

All secondary school applications must be submitted by **Tuesday 31st October** at the latest. If you need any support with submitting your application, please ask at the school office.

#### **Nursery Parents**

Applications for Reception must be submitted by **15th January 2024.** It is important that you visit the school you are considering before the end of this term. If you need any help with registering to make your application, please ask at the school office.

# STARS OF THE WEEK

Look out for Stars of the week the next Newsletter

Nursery- Reception-

Year 1- Year 2 -

Year 3 - Year 4 -

Year 5 - Year 6 -

TIMES TABLES ROCK STARS \*

Year 6 Year 5 Year 4 Year 3



Year 6 finished their WW2 history unit with a mini play for the school assembly on Tuesday 17th, which showcased their learning. This was in between working really hard this week doing mock SATs tests. They handled them with much positivity and I am very proud of their effort and achievements.

We have almost finished reading Letters from the Lighthouse and unravelling the plot. Their 'Olive's Journal' which contains several different genres of writing produced over this half term, just has a news report to add to it, in Literacy.

They have also finished their A-Z WW2 books - they look great and show that much time and effort has been put into them.

In maths they have learnt long division and BODMAS - two new units of learning in year 6 as well as refreshing and building on prior knowledge regarding number and calculation. I wish them a well deserved rest over half term. Sam

### YEAR 5

Year 5 has been very busy finishing up our Windrush Topic. We have thought carefully about the impact of the Windrush Generation and how it has brought about changes in British Society. The class has shown empathy and critical thinking around sensitive areas of social history. While it has been a hard-hitting topic area, the class has tackled it with maturity.

In other subjects we have been busy too. We have been learning about systems in IT - and enjoyed a trip to the CLC to learn more about spotting fake websites and staying safe online. PHSE has included lots of work on mindfulness - we have now completed the short course on it called .breathe. We are rounding off the half term with swimming.



#### YEAR 4

Year 4 have worked extremely hard this first half term and have made some excellent progress in their learning. Alongside assessment week, the class performed in the Harvest assembly, showcasing their 'Harvest Rap'. The children also created some Autumn artwork representing seasonal change. We carefully observed apples and leaves from real life and then used oil pastels on black paper to create the final piece.









#### YEAR 3

Throughout this week, Year 3 have been discovering about the importance of special books throughout our RE lessons, particularly in Sikhism and the Guru Granth Sahib. We started by discussing and showing the range of books that are important to us - resulting in excellent examples including holy books, books from when we were younger and even incredible pop up books that made us laugh!









On Thursday 19th October, Year 3 teamed up with Year 4 to perform a superb Harvest Assembly for their fellow students and many parents. They have loved learning songs, poems and having the opportunity to perform their recorders! This was a fantastic second assembly that they have performed following their superb celebration assembly last week.



## YEAR 2

We were learning about special clothes in RE. The children brought in some special clothes from home and talked about why they were special to them.













## YEAR 1

The children in Year 1 planned and made a healthy salad. They thought about which ingredients they would like to use and what tools they would need. After they had eaten it they wrote about what they thought had gone well and what they would do differently next time.













## Reception

In Reception this week, the children looked at the work of the artist, Frida Khalo. They looked at several prints of her work and created their own self-portraits inspired by her work. They created backgrounds for their paintings, drawing and decorating animals and then some children chose to decorate themselves in the style of Frida! During story time, the children found out about the life of the artist and that despite experiencing many hurdles, she preserved and kept trying.





## Nursery

We have been thinking about colours and have been reading the story "Duckie's Rainbow." We tried to make a repeat pattern with 2 colours. We enjoyed colour mixing outside with blue and yellow powder paint to see what colours we could make. We painted and drew some big rainbows for our classroom using oil pastels and Brusho wash. Finally, we had fun singing "5 Little Ducks" with our knitted ducks.











## **KEY DATES**

Half Term Mon 23rd - Fri 27th October

Y5 Sayer's Croft Residential 6th - 8th November

Y4 National Portrait Gallery 14th November

Individual & Sibling Photos 21st November

Maths Workshop for parents 23rd November

Y5 Google Visit **24th November** 

Christmas Break Fri 22nd Dec - Tues 9th Jan 2024







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#### Details

- Requirements
  - Must be a Camden resident
  - Must be 18+ years old
- Dates & Times
  - 21st-22nd November, 10am-4pm
- Venue
  - TBC, within the London borough of Camden



### How to apply

Email info@setready.co.uk or apply here

Deadline: 14th November 2023







