



Newsletter

Attendance

Our target is	W/B	W/B
96%	18/10	1/11
Mango (Nur)	79%	90%
Apple (Rec A)	80%	92%
Peach (Rec C)	90%	95%
Beech (1S)	82%	100%
Maple (1R)	93%	99%
Ash (2R)	95%	99%
Birch (2N)	94%	97%
Lemon (3C)	97%	98%
Oak (3B)	92%	97%
Aspen (4D)	91%	94%
Spruce (4A)	93%	94%
Cherry (5B)	98%	98%
Palm (5G)	98%	95%
Cypress (6W)	92%	100%
Willow (6L)	86%	96%

Value of the Week

Mango (Nur)	Milan Johnson-Tamufor
Apple (Rec A)	Ila Read
Peach (Rec C)	Mia Nelson
Beech (1S)	Evelyn Milbourne
Maple (1R)	Amelia Rico-Villar
Ash (2R)	Tasnim Akter
Birch (2N)	Wesley and Anastasia
Lemon (3C)	Aaradhya Nair
Oak (3B)	Zara Rahman
Aspen (4D)	Zeeshan Rahman
Spruce (4A)	Linda Viola
Cherry (5B)	Slawa Szulc
Palm (5G)	Trevaun Robinson
Willow (6L)	Eloise Rees-Chapman
Cypress (6W)	Gabriella Nkomo

Dear parents and carers,

I hope this email finds you well, and that you enjoyed the half term holidays. By the time you read this, I imagine many of you will have enjoyed the fireworks night at school. We hope you, and your children, had a lovely evening. Thank you for your support of the school, and I would like to extend our huge appreciation to the PTA for organising such a wonderful event, to bring the school community together in this way for the first time in nearly two years.

Value of the week

This week, appropriately for fireworks night, the value we have been focusing on is **safety**. This has been shown by pupils in so many ways, from the way they play in the playground, to working online, to moving around the building. It was a pleasure to hear how children have demonstrated safety this week in our collective worship. A big well done to all the children named!

Christmas

Christmas is now fast approaching, and it is very exciting that we are able to have parents come in to watch the nativities once again!

All parents will be able to come in to watch their child in their nativity. Nursery will have their own Christmas performance, and Reception will have their own nativity. For the other children, we will have a nativity performance with years 1 to 3, and a separate performance with the children from years 4 to 6.

For the years 1 to 3 and years 4 to 6 performances, the nativity will be performed twice by all the children. This is to avoid overcrowding in the hall. You will see in the table below which one you are able to attend, but please be assured that both performances will be exactly the same.

In order to ensure that the audience does not become too crowded, and so that all parents get to see their child properly and clearly, please only attend the performances designated for your child's class. We kindly ask that no more than two members from each household attend to watch the nativity.

Key dates coming up:

- Tuesday 9th Nov, Flu Vaccination Team in to administer Nasal Spray
- Thursday 11th Nov 3.00pm, Year 6 Willow Class Assembly, Willow class parents welcome to attend.



Below are the times and dates for each performance:

Performance	Date and time	Audience	Location
Nursery Christmas performance (morning children)	Wednesday 8 th December, at 11am	Parents of children who attend Nursery in the morning	Early Years
Nursery Christmas performance (afternoon children)	Wednesday 8 th December, at 2pm	Parents of children who attend Nursery in the afternoon	Early Years
Years 4-6 nativity	Monday 13 th December, at 2pm	Parents of children in Aspen, Palm and Willow classes	School hall
Years 4-6 nativity	Tuesday 14 th December, at 2pm	Parents of children in Spruce, Cherry and Cypress classes	School hall
Years 1-3 nativity	Wednesday 15 th December, at 10am	Parents of children in Maple, Birch and Lemon classes	School hall
Years 1-3 nativity	Wednesday 15 th December, at 2pm	Parents of children in Beech, Ash and Oak classes	School hall
Reception nativity	Thursday 16 th December, at 2pm	Parents of both Reception classes	School hall

In addition to this, we will also be taking part in the National Christmas Jumper Day on **Friday 10th December**, and will also be raising money for the Children's Society through a Christingle on **Friday 26th November**.

We are supporting the Children's Society this Christingle. To try to hit our fundraising target of £300, we will hold a non-uniform day on Friday 26th November. Children should wear their brightest clothes as we look to shine amongst the darkness. As usual, a voluntary donation of £1 on the non-uniform day would be greatly appreciated and the children should give this to their class teacher.

We have also set up a Justgiving page if you are able to offer any further support to the Children's Society:

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/St-Lukes-Christingle>

Thank you for your generosity!

Finally, we will be finishing this term on Friday 17th December. Because we no longer, have staggered start and finish times, school will end at 2pm on this date, when all children will need to be collected.

Class assemblies

It is great to be able to resume class assemblies! Please refer to the parent calendar, sent out at the beginning of the year or available on the website, to see when your child's class will be performing. The first class to have their assembly will be Willow class, on Thursday 11th November with a prompt 3pm start. We look forward to seeing Willow class parents there.

Invitation to Community Event: Talking Tigers

We have received the following information about Speech and Language support that is available free for families. A leaflet with further information is also attached.

My name is Shermeena Rabbi and I am a consultant speech and language therapist with eighteen years of experience in both the NHS and the private sector. We are running a series of events to raise awareness of speech and language difficulties in the local Bangladeshi community. A community that is disproportionately impacted by speech and language difficulties according to the Bercow Report 2018. Special educational needs still carry stigma in our community and we want to start breaking down these barriers. Although we are primarily targeting the Bangladeshi community, we are running an inclusive event and anyone wanting to learn more about child development and speech, language & communication needs is welcome to attend!

Talking Tigers is a free community event held in partnership with Tower Hamlets Council. There will be talks explaining what speech and language therapy is, how to play with and talk to babies, and speech and language in autism.

There will also be qualified speech and language therapists conducting FREE informal assessments and giving advice on how to support speech, language and communication needs in children. This will allow parents who have any specific concerns about their child's communication to get help. You can bring children to the event so they can be assessed or parents can come in for free advice. The speech and language therapists can also speak Bengali, Hindi, Urdu and Arabic.

The event will be held on:

Saturday 6th November - 11am-5pm
London Muslim Centre, Whitechapel Road
Refreshments and resources will be provided!

Promotion from a partnership with Anna Fiorentini Theatre and Film School

Docklands Weenies classes run on Saturdays with the new term beginning on 8th January 2022. New for this term, we have an afternoon school as well as our morning school. Students are introduced to the world of the performing arts in a safe and nurturing environment. Children can explore new skills, make new friends and have fun and once they reach the age of 7, they can progress to our main school on Wednesday evenings in which many of our students have won leading roles on TV, film and in the West End. However, we are just as interested in our students that wish to increase in confidence and self-esteem.

Our partnership means we can offer students from St. Luke's 20% off their first term and 10% thereafter. The school also has a Bursary Scheme and the partnership would mean we could offer a student who may struggle to afford fees a scholarship. Please see the attached leaflet for further details.

Performing Arts after-school club

Anna Fiorentini are running an additional after school club for 6-11 year olds every Wednesday from 3:45—4:45pm. The cost is £5 per session. I have attached a leaflet with further details. Should you wish to enrol your child, please follow this link and select 'St. Luke's After School Club.'

<https://www.afperformingarts.com/theatre-and-film-school/enrol>

Resonate – Community Gospel Choir

Joyful Sound School of Music have been in touch with us about a new Community Gospel Choir.

The founder, Ruth, is also one of the Senior Leaders at Zion City Church that meets near Crossharbour Station in the heart of the Isle of Dogs.

They are promoting a fresh new Community Gospel Choir - resonate, that is free to join! Meeting on Wednesday nights at 7pm to 8pm, it's for all ages (including children 7+ upwards). Children must be accompanied by their parent or guardian. I have attached a leaflet with further information.

Get Set 2022

Applying To Primary School—Tower Hamlets Transition Support Service Supporting Parents and Carers with Reception Application Process

Tower Hamlets Transition Support Service provides information, advice and support around transitions.

We recognise that this is a worrying and uncertain time for families and strive to continue to support in any way we can.

There are virtual information sessions for parents/carers with advice and information to explain the primary application process and provide top tips about primary transition delivered in partnership with Pupil Services.

Please note closing date for primary applications is Saturday 15th January 2022

Information dates and times:

Monday 8th November 6 pm
Wednesday 17th November 10am
Thursday 25th November 1 pm
Wednesday 1st December 10 am

To book a place click <https://thpt2021.eventbrite.co.uk>

For more details contact:

transitions@towerhamlets.gov.uk

0207 364 1533

Wishing you a lovely weekend.
With best wishes,

Cristina King
Head of School

Class catch-up


These are just some of the activities that children in Maple class have been taking part in this week!



Class catch-up

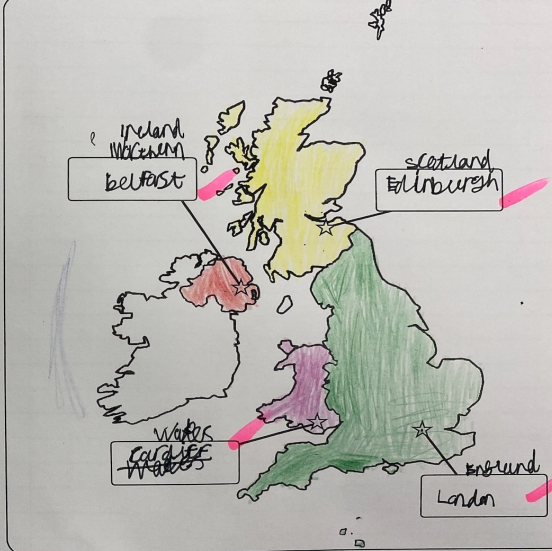
Year 5 have been doing some great work on mapping the U.K. They did their own research and then identified the capital cities of Scotland, England, Wales and Northern Ireland.

Use different sources of information to find as many answers to these questions as you can!

What is the population of the whole United Kingdom? 67 million	What is the population of England? 56.223 million	What is the population of Wales? 3,170,000
What is the population of Scotland? 5.517 million	What is the population of Northern Ireland? 1.8 million	What is the area of the whole United Kingdom? 244,821 square miles
What is the area of England? 130,279 km ²	The United Kingdom 	What is the area of Scotland? 77,910 km ²
What is the area of Wales? 20,779 km ²		What is the area of Northern Ireland? 14,130 km ²
Which continent is the UK in? Europe	What is the currency of the United Kingdom? Pound sterling	What is the national flower of England? Tudor Rose
What is the national flower of Wales? daffodil	What is the national flower of Scotland? thistle	What is the national flower of Northern Ireland? Shamrock

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Here is a blank map of the United Kingdom. Can you label it with the names of the four different countries, as well as the four capital cities? The stars show where the capital cities are.



England
Wales
London
Cardiff
Northern Ireland
Scotland
Edinburgh
Belfast

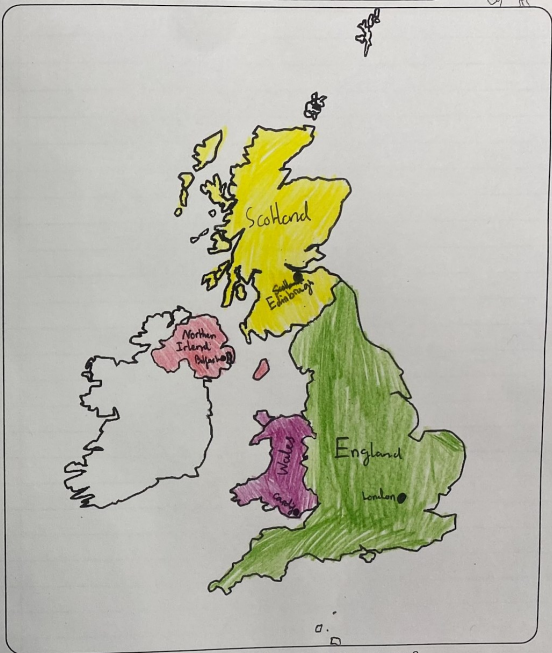
Excellent Umar!

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Can you label anything else on your map?