

# The Patten Pages

The William Patten Newsletter for Parents and Children

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Dear parents,  
Welcome back after the half term! The weeks seem to be going very quickly as we head towards the spring. It is lovely to see the longer days with lighter evenings and the Year 6 children were very pleased to be allowed to walk home on their own after clubs again!

We have had a super Big Art Day today celebrating LGBT+ artists including Cedric Morris, Andy Warhol, Marlow Moss, David Hockney, Doris Hatt, Keith Haring and Jean-Michel Basquiat.

A very big thank you to Sian for planning and organising the activities and the wonderful Sandra, who got all the resources ready.

Walking around school was absolutely delightful. The children were so excited and engaged and thoroughly enjoyed their day. They were very eager to tell me about the artist they had learnt about and show me their work. A huge thank you to Angela from Evergreen and Outrageous who donated so many flowers for EYFS and Year 3 Big Art Day project! That was very kind of you 😊 Look what Teddy was inspired to create as well, a lovely book on flowers, to accompany the beautiful art work that was made.



We have World Book Day to look forward to next week and then Science Week, so a busy few weeks ahead! Thank you for your very generous donations to the British Red Cross Appeal for the Turkey /Syria earthquake appeal. Over £1600 was raised, which is an astonishing amount of money. When we celebrate Red Nose Day in March, we will split the money raised between Comic Relief and the British Red Cross.

Wishing you a lovely weekend.

Best wishes

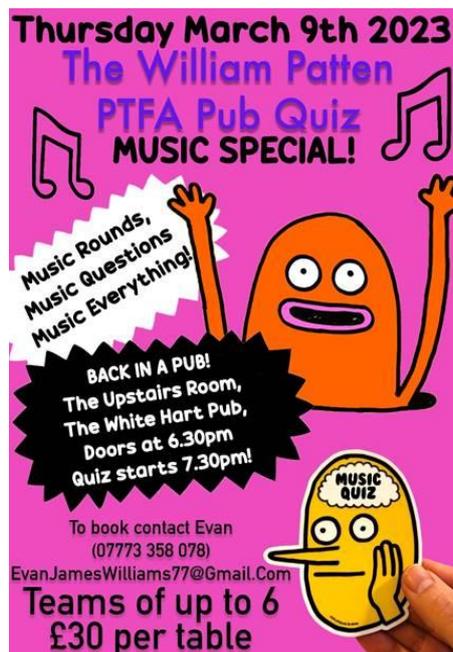
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Dear Parents,

**PTFA Timetable:** We have a lot planned over the coming months as you can see below. The funds we raise support a wide range of hugely important activities for our School so please support wherever you can. Please look out for further communications via email and WhatsApp.

**1. Coffee & Donuts catch-up - Wednesday 8th March** post drop off at the school - come and join us for a cup of coffee and a donut to learn more about the PTFA and what we do, raise new ideas for activities, and volunteer for events

**2. Pub Quiz: The music edition - Thursday 9th March** at The White Heart on Stoke Newington High Street - Tickets are available now, please contact Evan on 07773358078 to book your place



**3. Fit for Sport Week / Guinness World Records attempt - 24-28 April**, a week of activities highlighting the benefits of sport, health, and wellbeing culminating in a Guinness World Record attempt on 29th April for the most people completing a 5km run connected together! Watch this space!

**4. Quiz and Auction - 9th June**

**5. Summer Fair - 1st July**

Kind regards,  
The PTFA



# Big Art Day 2023

The whole school learned about LGBT+ artists and the historical impact they had. Children enjoyed looking at art through the Rod Taylor 'Content, Form, Process and Mood' framework before practising new skills by working in the style of their allocated artist.

## EYFS studied Cedric Morris



## Year 1 studied Andy Warhol



## Year 2 studied Marlow Moss



## Year 3 studied David Hockney



## Year 4 studied Doris Hatt



## Year 5 studied Keith Haring



## Year 6 studied Jean-Michel Basquiat



We'll be judging the artist research homework with School Council - and awarding prizes next week!

### Art Club

Striking Picasso style birds by children in our Year 4 and 5 Art club They showed such careful consideration and attention to detail throughout the session. You can see how proud they are of their finished masterpieces. Well done everyone!



### Fantastic Mr Fox

3L had a wonderful Friday on the last day of term! After some brilliant creative writing in the style of Fantastic Mr Fox we decided to create some art. We dressed up some real life models and posed for charcoal sketches of various scenes. Thank you to our art expert, Ellie. Well done 3L.



## Charity buckets

A massive thank you to everyone who donated to the British Red Cross for the Turkey / Syria Earthquake Appeal on the last day of the half term. A record £1055 was raised on the gates in the morning and by the end of the school day, a huge total of £1600 had been made. Such kindness and generosity from everyone. Thank you so much 😊



## 'Animals' topic in Nursery

In Nursery this week, we have started our new topic on "Animals." This week, we have been looking at stories based in a zoo including "Dear Zoo" and "Hole in the Zoo." We have worked hard to create water colour pictures of zoo animals as well as drawing and writing a new page for the story "Dear Zoo."



Year 3 enjoying Big Art Day and making the most of the flowers kindly donated by Evergreen and Outrageous.



## World Book Day 2023



### WBD Book Swap



World Book Day is fast approaching and we can't wait to celebrate at William Patten on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> March!

We are really looking forward to seeing your costumes, and which characters and books have inspired you to dress up.

As part of the day we will be hosting a book swap. Here is what you need to do:

1. Select an old book that you enjoyed reading and are happy to give away.
2. Write a little message inside - or attached by paperclip - to tell the book's future owner what they will love about it.
3. Bring in your book as soon as possible, prior to the 3<sup>rd</sup> of March.
4. On World Book Day (3.3.23), every child will browse the selection of preloved books and select one to keep.

We think this is a beautiful way to share our love of reading while also taking care of the planet!

### Goodbye tea party for Eliza, Roly and Imogen

A final Headteacher's Tea Party to say goodbye and farewell to Eliza, Rosalie and Imogen, who have moved out of London. Eliza, you have been such an excellent role model, super Reading Leader and have such a great sense of fun. Your new teacher will be mightily impressed with your work ethic, contributions to lessons and beautiful handwriting! Rosalie, you are such a good, loyal friend and lovely role model for your peers. Your new teacher will be mightily impressed with your quiet determination, perseverance and kindness. Imogen, your excitement and enthusiasm, creativity and imagination will make your new teacher smile!



### Headteacher's tea parties

The very first Headteacher's Tea Party took place this week, closely followed by the second HT Tea Party of the year! We observed the usual traditions of Biscuit Jenga and catching biscuits and much chocolate was consumed by all 😊. A very big well done to everyone who received the magic 5 nominations and attended the parties this week. We are very proud of your achievements and as we said, you still have plenty of time to collect another 5! Keep on working hard, trying your best and showing kindness and consideration to others.



### 3D animal models

Year 1 have been busy designing and making their own 3D animal models, as part of their Science topic. The children have been classifying animals into different groups such as mammals, birds, reptiles and amphibians. The children found out what different animals like to eat and looked for similarities and differences between different animals too. They worked so well including many details on their models and they also worked so well together, taking turns and listening to each other's ideas. Excellent!



★HAPPY★  
BIRTHDAY!

Many happy returns to who celebrated their special day since the last Patten Pages: Emmy, Aisha, Tiggy, Theo, Liyat, Aminah, Audrey, Alex, Keon, Flora, Sienna, Taha, Kimarla, Bowie, Anna, Zack, Olivia, Muyi, Wilfred, Nisa, Arzu, Edith and Aroz. Happy birthday to you all. We hope you all had a wonderful day!

## Literacy Pirates

Our very own Alba in the promotional video for the charity, Literacy Pirates! The stills don't do her acting performance justice. She was amazing and a contender for a BAFTA! The charity's learning programme is devised and led by qualified teachers. They want children to enjoy reading, so they give them dedicated time to read with trained volunteers, alongside the chance to voice their ideas in creative writing activities. Then they publish their written work in high-quality books, films, and audio projects, and celebrate their hard work in big events with their teachers and family.



## Attendance Chart

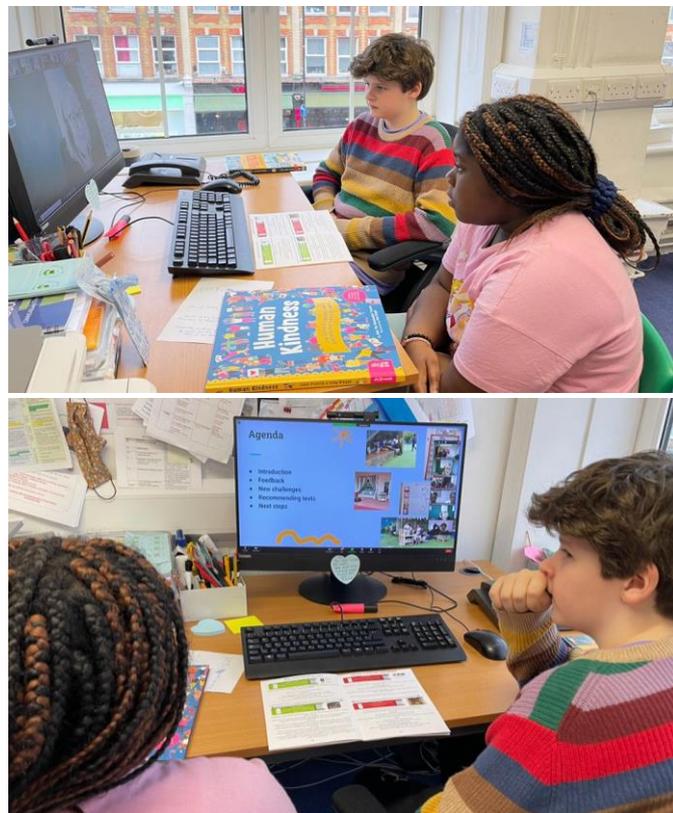


Christine's class are at the top of the attendance chart this time with a high score of **96.9%**. Well done **2C!**

RCharlotte	92.9%	RYeter/Maria	95.3%
Y1 Helen	95.3%	Y1 Sofia	94.7%
<b>Y2 Christine</b>	<b>96.9%</b>	Y2 Laura	95.2%
Y3 Ihssan/Craig	96.4%	Y3 Luke	96.2%
Y4 Craig	95%	Y4 Marion	94.9%
Y5 Claire	94.8%	Y5 Eric	95.4%
Y6 Ben	96.5%	Y6 Maya	96.2%

## Reading Leaders

Daniel and Nana took part in the latest Reading Leaders' meeting on Thursday. Eight other schools took part and all the children shared what they had been doing to promote reading in their schools. Our Reading Leaders have been very pro-active and designed posters for the library, as well as providing book recommendations in assemblies. They will also be very busy next week on World Book Day!



## Tool of the Week

Every week we introduce a new **Tool of the Week**. Each class practises the new tool and then discusses which zone it would be useful for.

Here are the latest:



## Headlice – whole school response needed

We have a number of cases of headlice throughout the school at the moment. Please can everyone check their child's hair this weekend. We need a whole school response to this to try to eliminate the problem. It would also help if parents could check on a weekly basis whilst the problem is ongoing.



**Fill a box for people in crisis this Lent**

Households are being urged to support people in crisis this Lent by donating food and toiletries. Hackney Foodbank has launched an AdLent Calendar Challenge – asking the public to donate one item per day for 40 days (the idea is to fill a box at home and bring it to their warehouse at the end of Lent).

The food bank recently launched an [emergency appeal](#) to raise £100,000 to help them meet unprecedented demand - if the AdLent Calendar isn't for you, they'd love you to donate £1 per day (or whatever you can afford) for 40 days.

Pat Fitzsimons, CEO of Hackney Foodbank, said: "We have never known things so difficult. The number of people in crisis being referred to us is increasing by an average of seven per cent per week as rising energy bills and inflation leave many unable to afford the basics. We urgently need more donations.

Many of the people we support are malnourished – we're gearing up to the Easter holidays when our lunch club will be a lifeline to hundreds of local children who would otherwise go hungry. Lent is traditionally the time to go without and to consider the needs of others – this year we are pleading with those who can, to mark this special moment in the Christian calendar by donating to people experiencing food poverty."

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday (this year that's February 22<sup>nd</sup>) and it ends on Thursday April 6<sup>th</sup>. Among the items requested for the AdLent box are baby food, curry sauce, jam, biscuits, cereal, sugar, deodorant, nappies, shower gel and soap.

Demand for Hackney Foodbank has more than doubled since before the pandemic. The cost-of-living crisis is leaving many unable to afford even the basics like food and heating and the food bank urgently needs more donations if they're to meet demand.

Donations should be dropped to Hackney Foodbank at The Florence Bennett Centre in Cherbury Street. For opening hours, details of how to donate money and a downloadable AdLent calendar, visit [www.hackney.foodbank.org.uk](http://www.hackney.foodbank.org.uk)

Launching the AdLent Calendar for Hackney Foodbank - volunteers Sophie Jamieson and Renata Watson:



**ADLENT**  
CALENDAR



PLEASE USE HASHTAG #ADLENTCALENDAR TO SPREAD THE WORD. [hackney.foodbank.org.uk](http://hackney.foodbank.org.uk)

01 ROLL ON DEODORANT 22 FEBRUARY	02 DEODORANT SPRAY 23 FEBRUARY	03 SHOWER GEL 24 FEBRUARY	04 TOOTHPASTE 25 FEBRUARY
05 TOOTHBRUSHES 26 FEBRUARY	06 BARS OF HAND SOAP 27 FEBRUARY	07 500ML WASHING UP LIQUID 28 FEBRUARY	08 TOILET ROLL 1 MARCH
09 SIZE 5/6 NAPPIES 2 MARCH	10 BABY WIPES 3 MARCH	11 DISPOSABLE RAZORS 4 MARCH	12 SHAVING FOAM 5 MARCH
13 INCONTINENCE PADS 6 MARCH	14 SHAMPOO 7 MARCH	15 JARS OF BABY FOOD 8 MARCH	16 JARS OF CURRY SAUCE 9 MARCH
17 BISCUITS 10 MARCH	18 WEETABIX 11 MARCH	19 WHITE GRANULATED SUGAR 12 MARCH	20 JAM 13 MARCH
21 TOOTHPASTE 14 MARCH	22 BARS OF HAND SOAP 15 MARCH	23 TOOTHBRUSHES 16 MARCH	24 SHOWER GEL 17 MARCH
25 JARS OF CURRY SAUCE 18 MARCH	26 SHAMPOO 19 MARCH	27 JARS OF BABY FOOD 20 MARCH	28 500ML WASHING UP LIQUID 21 MARCH
29 SIZE 5/6 NAPPIES 22 MARCH	30 DISPOSABLE RAZORS 23 MARCH	31 SHAVING FOAM 24 MARCH	32 TOILET ROLL 25 MARCH
33 BABY WIPES 26 MARCH	34 JAM 27 MARCH	35 INCONTINENCE PADS 28 MARCH	36 WEETABIX 29 MARCH
37 BISCUITS 30 MARCH	38 WHITE GRANULATED SUGAR 31 MARCH	39 ROLL ON DEODORANT 1 APRIL	40 DEODORANT SPRAY 2 APRIL

Please deliver all the essential items to our address: Hackney Foodbank Warehouse, The Florence Bennett Centre, Cherbury Street, N1 6TL. Open Monday – Friday, 8.30am – 2pm. For group donations, please book a slot to drop off the items via our website calendar: [hackney.foodbank.org.uk/donate/donatedfood](http://hackney.foodbank.org.uk/donate/donatedfood)  
Contact us: [info@hackneyfoodbank.org](mailto:info@hackneyfoodbank.org) or 0207 254 2464

SCAN THE QR CODE ABOVE TO DONATE.

Registered Charity in England & Wales (1149896)

**Congratulations to the children who received an EYFS Super Achievers award and to those who received a HT Award certificate. Well done everyone 😊.**

**Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> February**

**Super Achievers**

Nursery	Ruairi and Julia
Rec C	Ruben
Rec YK	Zamari

**HT Award Certificates**

1H	Eesa, Isabelle, Sebastian, Wilfred M, Ali
1S	Ran, Aylin, Maya, Khaleem, Felix
2C	Elise, Arzu, Kaan, Jack Q, Georgina
2L	Ada, Dante, Eugene, Lorcan, Mya
3IC	Ozzy, Theo, Shaneeya, Vilma, Eli
3L	Ellora, Ada, Grace, Aalia, Beatrix
4C	Zora, Esha, Sumayyah, Betty, Zep
4M	Ellie, Sawyer, Imogen, Rosie, Orhan
5C	Betty, Tiggy, Audrey, Kimarla, Stella
5E	Aris, Jonah, Leyla, Marla, Muiy
6M	Bowie, Hattie, Anna, Chloe, Aisha
6B	Jack S, Erdem, Jack C, Aydin, Marnie

**Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February**

**Super Achievers**

Nursery	Oscar and Mia
Rec C	Malachi
Rec YK	Arlo

**HT Award Certificates**

1H	Robbie, Mia, Joseph, Ezra, Elliott
1S	Coco, Eesa, Owen, Sophia, Luqman
2C	Henry, Clara, Elijah, Amos, Dante
2L	Kiaan, Isabelle, Defne, Eddy, Aster
3IC	Lily, Theo C, Margot, Klara, Bella
3L	Ava, Beatrice, Nyren, Matilda, Tobi
4C	Lukas, Caspar, Arlo, Aras, Sunny
4M	Aminah, Barin, Falcon, Mercer, Melissa
5C	Harleen, Louie, Rex, Penelope, Luc
5E	Martha, Amber, Amelie, Orrin, Denzel
6M	Anna, Aisha, Oscar, Leo L, Aarya, Land
6B	Juan Pablo, Sumire, Quentin, Nana, Fred

**WP Nursery – pass the word on!**

If you wish to apply for a nursery place for September 2023 or know of anyone who lives locally and has a child (born between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2019 to 31<sup>st</sup> August 2020) who is interested in nursery provision, please tell them to pop into our school office for an application form.

**PTFA Lottery**



Congratulations to the winners of the latest draw for the William Patten Lottery! Please collect your prize money from the school office.

The William Patten PTFA Lottery is a monthly lottery scheme which is open to all parents, carers, staff and friends of the school. This is a great way to help raise funds and support valuable school projects and resources which enrich your child's curriculum.

At the same time, you have the chance to win a cash prize in the monthly draw. There is no minimum amount and it is easy to join up. If you are interested in finding out more about the lottery please contact Sel Renton (Year 2 parent) on [arcandsa@hotmail.com](mailto:arcandsa@hotmail.com)

**Oct 2022**

- 1st – Wendy Nichols £40
- 2nd – Barbara Roucayrol £30
- 3rd – Ita Langan £20



**February:**

28 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 classes to Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park
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**March:**

1 <sup>st</sup>	Key Steps gymnastics competition @ Queensbridge
2 <sup>nd</sup>	School closure – NEU strike
3 <sup>rd</sup>	World Book Day
6 <sup>th</sup>	RSPB Big Bird Watch
7 <sup>th</sup>	Parents' Evening EYFS International Women's Day assembly
8 <sup>th</sup>	PTFA 'coffee and donuts' for parents 9am Y5 & 6 to Queen Elizabeth Olympic park Parents' Evening (5E only)
9 <sup>th</sup>	Parents' Evening (except 5E)
14 <sup>th</sup>	LSO visiting Year 5 Parents' Evening
15 <sup>th</sup>	School closure – NEU strike
16 <sup>th</sup>	School closure – NEU strike
17 <sup>th</sup>	St Patrick's Day – Irish dance troupe visiting Red Nose Day
21 <sup>st</sup>	Shakespeare explorer workshops Safari Pete workshop for EYFS
27 <sup>th</sup>	Science Week launch assemblies
28 <sup>th</sup>	Y5 visiting the Barbican for LSO concert
29 <sup>th</sup>	Science Week Family Challenge evening
31 <sup>st</sup>	Break up for Easter