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Basketball Report

This Tuesday the teams participated in a basketball competition with 11 other schools. Both the boys' and girls' teams qualified for the cup (higher league). The boys were split into two teams and one went into the lower league. The boys in the lower league came 6th. The boys in the higher league came 4th and the girls came 5th in the cup competition. (Written by Ofri and Jessie)

Our footballers also represented Fitzjohn's in Camden competitions on Tuesday after school.

With thanks to Pete, Dawn and Anaya for taking them to these competitions.

Thanks to all the teachers for all that talking at parent/teacher meetings. We hope that you found them useful to give you a snapshot of where your child is at and what they need to do next.

Class Assemblies 9.15am

29 November Y5

6 December Reception

13 December Y3 (note change)

Nursery do their first assembly in the Spring Term and Y1/2 will be performing a version of the Christmas story at 2pm on Tuesday 10 December.

Dates for your Diary (so far)

Monday 25 November 3pm-6pm Y2 Parent/teacher meetings
Monday 25 November Y6 The Magic Circle
Tuesday 26 November 3pm-6pm Y2 Parent/teacher meetings
Thursday 28 November Nursery Little Angel Theatre
Tuesday 10 December 2pm Y1/2 Christmas play
Thursday 12 December Father Christmas pm
Thursday 12 December Rec Stickman am
Friday 13 December Christmas Fair pm
Tuesday 17 December Cinderella—WHOLE SCHOOL
Tuesday 17 December Christmas Lunch and Jumper Day
Wednesday 18 December Y3/5 The Little Prince
Thursday 19 December 1.30 Magic Show 2.30 parties
Friday 20 December School closes 13.30

Y1 and Y2
The Christmas Story
2pm Tuesday 10 December

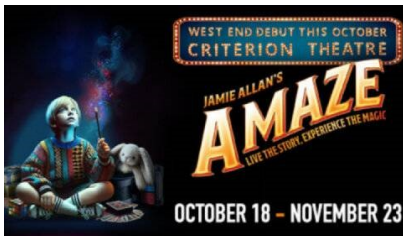
Come and hear some of the songs the children have been singing:

Year 1 and Year 2: 9.30am
Thursday 12 December
Nursery and Rec: 2.30pm
Tuesday 17 December
Year 3, 4, 5, and 6: 9.30am
Thursday 19 December

Attendance for the week
Our target is 95%

| | |
|---------------|--------------|
| Year 1 | 97.84 |
| Year 2 | 94.98 |
| Year 3 | 99.57 |
| Year 4 | 95.38 |
| Year 5 | 96.12 |
| Year 6 | 95.37 |
| School | 96.54 |

Well done Y3!



At the Criterion Theatre in Piccadilly Circus.
 A family friendly magic show by magician Jamie Allen. Some great magic and a lovely heartfelt message runs through the show.

In The Vaults Waterloo

An immersive show for **adults** only with lots of amazing close-up magicians who perform at your table. Your ticket price also includes 5 cocktails (alcoholic or non-alcoholic). This is great value. **(Until 23 November)**



In a secret venue near London Bridge.
 Another immersive show for **adults** set during the wake of a fictitious magician. A fun story with great close-up magic.

Underbelly Soho

Asi Wind is a real favourite amongst magicians and has created effects for people like David Blaine. I've seen this show and another show in NYC and he's great.
Aimed at 12+ with some strong language



FREE AGES 5-11



WINTER HAF PROGRAM



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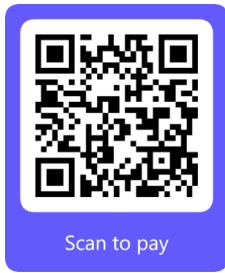
This is being managed by one of our TAs (Rosh) so speak to her if you want more information.

FITZJOHN'S SCHOOL TERM AND HOLIDAY DATES: 2025/2026

| AUTUMN TERM 2025 | |
|---|--|
| INSET Days - pupils not in school | Monday 1 and Tuesday 2 September 2025 |
| TERM BEGINS FOR PUPILS | Wednesday 3 September 2025 |
| Half term holiday | Monday 27 – Friday 31 October 2025 |
| SECOND HALF-TERM BEGINS | Monday 3 November 2025 |
| INSET Day – pupils not in school (Parent/Teacher Meetings) | Monday 17 November 2025 |
| Term Ends | Friday 19 December 2025 13.30 |
| SPRING TERM 2026 | |
| INSET Day - pupils not in school | Monday 5 January 2026 |
| TERM BEGINS FOR PUPILS | Tuesday 6 January 2026 |
| Half term holiday | Monday 16– Friday 20 February 2026 |
| SECOND HALF-TERM BEGINS | MONDAY 23 FEBRUARY 2026 |
| Term Ends | Friday 27 March 2026 |
| SPRING HOLIDAYS | Monday 30 March – Friday 10 April 2026 |
| SUMMER TERM 2026 | |
| INSET Day - pupils not in school | Monday 13 April 2026 |
| TERM BEGINS FOR PUPILS | Tuesday 14 April 2026 |
| Half term holiday | Monday 25 May - Friday 29 May 2026 |
| SECOND HALF-TERM BEGINS | Monday 1 June 2026 |
| Term ends | 13.30 Friday 17 July 2026 |
| PUBLIC HOLIDAYS | |
| Christmas Day | Wednesday 25 December |
| Boxing Day | Thursday 26 December |
| New Year's Day | Wednesday 1 January |
| Good Friday | Friday 3 April |
| Easter Monday | Monday 6 April |
| May Day | Monday 4 May |
| Spring Bank holiday | Monday 25 May |
| These are term dates for 2025-2026 (next academic year). | |

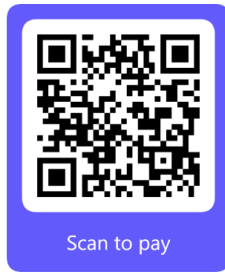
| This week in class | |
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| Nursery | Someone's been eating my porridge! Can you guess the story? This week our core book is Goldilocks and the three bears, which also linked to our number of the week-three. We began the week by acting out the story, as well as using story props to re-tell the story. We've used mathematical language such as big, medium and small to describe the bowls, chairs and beds from the story. The children demonstrated fantastic problem solving this week; the bears needed blankets for their beds and the children used their knowledge of size to cut the correct sized 'blanket' for the bears. On Tuesday we made porridge and chose our favourite topping, we recorded our answers in the form of a tally chart. We found honey was the most popular and it tasted 'just right!'. We've also been singing the story using Makaton sign language. The story has helped us with our number of the week; we've been counting 3 beds, 3 chairs and 3 bowls. We also used our fingers to show different ways of making three, we've been quite creative! Our phoneme this week is /t/. We played a new phonic game this week, 'Bertha the bus'. On her way to the zoo she found many objects beginning with /t/, she even found Thandiwe! It was Ethan and William's focus week. Ethan was keen to learn about dinosaurs and we collaboratively made a huge dinosaur land. We've had a doggy picnic and made a cat robot for William, as well as reading a variety of dog books to share his love of dogs with his friends. |
| Reception | Reception have been learning all about vehicles this week as we learnt the letter 'v', and lots of playing with the trains, an airport and the cars. We also made a giant volcano, out of paper mache and painted it. We also learnt the sounds 'w', 'x' and 'y'. For 'w', Rob came in to show us how to safely do some woodwork, we started making a bus out of wood. It linked nicely with our new story 'The Naughty Bus', which we enjoyed playing with and predicting what might happen next! Our new tricky words were 'and', 'has' and 'as'. In maths we have been looking at the shapes circles and triangles. We discussed how we know what shape they are and how they are different, and then spotted some in our school. We also |
| Class 1 | This week in literacy the children have done some lovely writing all about the story 'Lost in the Toy Museum'. They used different sentence starters for each sentence and made sure that their writing was neat and consistent. In maths we have focused on various addition problems and practical activities. In D&T we have planned out and designed our moving vehicles, ready to make with Rob next week. In topic we have started discussing our toy shop role play area and what we want to add to it. In art we have drawn various pictures of toys which we will display next week. Well done for another great week Year 1! |
| Class 2 | Class 2 have been busy learning about Mary Seacole this week. They have also been practising adding and subtracting two two digit numbers across a 10. We have given out the scripts for our Nativity, which will be on Tuesday 10th December at 2pm. As we only rehearse for one week, please make sure you help your child to learn their line or lines by next Thursday, so that we can begin rehearsals on Friday. Thank you for your support. |
| Class 3 | This week in Class 3, we continued to practise column addition and subtraction, using various methods to check our answers, such as inverse calculation (adding to check our subtractions). We realised that if we know how to subtract and add up to 20, we can add any number we want to. That's maths magic! In literacy, we've moved on to looking at legends, and the real person behind St. George, who was born in the 3rd Century and wasn't a knight at all, but a Roman soldier who stood up for his beliefs and religion against the cruel Roman Emperor. We read the legend of St. George and the Dragon, preparing for writing a character description of both the man and the fierce creature. In PSHE, we discussed what makes us unique: we all have special talents and it's fine to be different. |
| Class 4 | In literacy this week, we planned our 'States of Matter' non-chronological report. We wrote our reports ensuring we included all the features and self-assessed our reports afterwards. In maths, we finished our area topic by learning to compare different areas of rectilinear shapes. We then had our end of unit assessment for the topic. In science, we learned about the water cycle. We created our own water cycle wheels to demonstrate our learning of this. At the end of the week, we went to Camden City Learning Centre for our audio editing workshop, which we thoroughly enjoyed! |
| Class 5 | This week, Class 5 enjoyed the second and final week of swimming. In Maths, we learned how to convert mixed numbers into improper fractions as well as compare and order fractions less than 1. In Literacy, we learned about relative clauses, incorporating them into sentences to make them more interesting; we also researched information about Victorian England as we'll start reading A Christmas Carol, a novel by Charles Dickens set in Victorian times. |
| Class 6 | On Tuesday, several members of class 6 represented the school in a basketball tournament in Camden. After school, we also participated in the first games of our annual football competition at Castlehaven. Those who stayed at school learned about the 'father of vaccination' (Edward Jenner), completed some mental-maths tasks and finished a SAT's style punctuation and grammar paper. On Wednesday, we continued our journey into the world of micro-organisms by looking decomposition and the conditions which favour the growth of bacteria and viruses. We also started off our Anderson Shelter topic in DT by sketching designs, thinking about materials and scaled measurements and decorative features for our projects. On Thursday, we experienced a wartime classroom in 1940's Britain: a rather stern teacher put the children through their paces with pounds, pence and shillings and we used real ink and 'old style' pens to complete a range of handwriting tasks - us left-handed scribes really needed that blotting paper! On Friday, we completed another Maths investigation focusing on the skill of finding patterns through systematic recording. |

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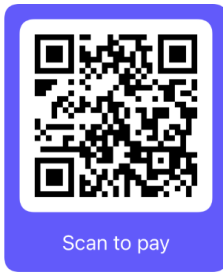
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HOW CAN YOU HELP? Please donate **targeted food** to help Camden Foodbank make up emergency parcels or please donate money.

THIS AUTUMN & WINTER PLEASE HELP US TO FEED LOCAL PEOPLE IN FOOD CRISIS

HOW TO DONATE FOOD BY HAND?

| DAY | TIME OPEN | ADDRESS |
|----------|---------------|--|
| Everyday | 8am – 10pm | Camden Town Methodist Church, Wesley Hotel, Camden Town, 89 Plender Street, NW1 0JN. |
| Everyday | 8am – 10pm | The Wesley Hotel, 81-103 Euston Street, NW1 2EZ. |
| Tuesday | 11.30am – 3pm | Camden Foodbank, 14 Pratt Mews, NW1 0AD. |
| Friday | 11.30am – 3pm | Camden Foodbank, 14 Pratt Mews, NW1 0AD. |
| Sunday | 10am – 12pm | Camden Foodbank, 14 Pratt Mews, NW1 0AD. |

URGENTLY NEEDED TARGETED FOOD

- Tinned Meat
- Tinned Fish
- Tinned Vegetables
- Tinned Soup
- Tinned Fruit
- Tinned Tomatoes
- Pasta & Pasta Sauce
- Rice
- Biscuits
- Jam and Honey
- Baked Beans
- Cereal
- Longlife Milk
- Longlife Juice
- Toothbrush & Toothpaste
- Soap/Shower Gel
- Toilet Rolls
- Laundry Powder

HOW TO DONATE FOOD OVER THE NET?

| DAY | TIME | ADDRESS |
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| Tuesday or Friday | 11.30am – 2pm | Camden Foodbank, 14 Pratt Mews, NW1 0AD. |

HOW TO DONATE MONEY?

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Camden Foodbank 14 Pratt Mews, London NW1 0AD.

Phone for food deliveries only Tuesdays and Fridays – 020 7387 4551

info@camden.foodbank.org.uk

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School T-Shirts etc:

Take a look at this site <https://shop.spreadshirt.co.uk/FitzjohnsNW3> where you can order and create t-shirts, etc in a variety of colours and sizes (children's and adults).

The logo is based on the iconic street signs around Hampstead.

Please note that you can “personalise” each item and choose any item from the site.

We receive approximately 20% (plus £3 for the logo) for each sale.

A tip: To try to cut down a bit on postage charges why not club together as a class.

Turn your weekly shopping into BIG donations for our school

No matter who you shop with, or how you shop, you can now raise FREE MONEY for Fitzjohn's!

| Supermarket | Home delivery | | Click & Collect | |
|----------------------------|---------------|-------------------------|-----------------|-------------------------|
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| TESCO | £8.50 | £1.75 | £3.50 | £1.75 |
| Morrisons | £3.50 | £1.50 | £3.00 | £1.50 |
| ASDA | £2.50 | £1.00 | £3.00 | £1.00 |
| MARKS & SPENCER | £1.23 | 90p | £1.23 | 90p |
| Sainsbury's | £4.00 | 60p | £4.50 | 60p |
| Iceland | 1.50% | 0.50% | 1.50% | 0.50% |
| ocado | 1.50% | 0.50p | 1.50% | 0.50p |

Minimum spend requirements apply. Full retailer T&Cs apply. Donation rates may change from time to time, rates above were correct as of 18/03/2023.

Raise a donation every time you shop with your supermarket

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These donations really help us, so it would be great if you could take a moment to get started: [easyfundraising for Fitzjohn's](https://www.easyfundraising.com/charity/fitzjohns-nw3)
Thank you!



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Pick a session and call Alison to book a family place 07876 651950.

You must book to join in
(due to health and safety rules)

Saturday 30 November
Pancras Sq Library NIC 4AG
11:00am-1:00pm
Big Cat



Saturday 14 December
Kentish Town Library NW5 2AA
11:00am-1:00pm
Kipper's New Pet

Saturday 21 December
Swiss Cottage Library NW3 3HA
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The Nutcracker



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