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14 June 2024

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**PRIMARY SCHOOL T-SHIRT & HOODIE SALE!**

FITZJOHN'S PRIMARY SCHOOL HAS CREATED A NEW SITE TO BUY SCHOOL LOGO T-SHIRTS, HOODIES AND MORE FROM OUR DESIGNER AND ARTISTS. THE FITZJOHN'S LOGO REPRESENTS OUR COMMUNITY AND AREA AND IS IN AN EXACT REPIECA OF THE STREET SIGN DIRECTLY BESIDE THE SCHOOL ENTRANCE. THE HISTORY OF THIS LOGO IS LINKED TO OUR LOCATION AND HISTORY. WE'D LOVE TO HEAR FROM YOU REGARDING THE DESIGN OF OUR T-SHIRTS, HOODIES AND THE SCHOOL JOURNAL LOGO.

<https://shop.spreadshirt.co.uk/FitzjohnsNW3>

**Great For Sports Day, leavers, etc**

**Click here to be taken to the site.** FITZJOHN'S NW3

T-SHIRTS: BETWEEN £12 - £17 HOODIES: £22 - £27 DEPENDING ON SIZE ALL ITEMS CAN BE PERSONALISED

## Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 Sports day Thursday 20 June on the playground and lawn

Join us next Thursday as EYFS and KS1 take parent in Sports day. It will start at 9.15am and last about 1 hour.

Keep an eye on emails/texts if rain is heavy on Thursday.

**Don't forget to order your t-shirts if you want your child to wear one at sports day. Otherwise usual sports clothing is welcome.**

### Needed: Auction Donations

Do you run a business? Or are you a valued customer to one in the area? Does your employer offer free tickets or services? We are looking for donations for the summer fair's online auction and would appreciate your help. Funds from the auction support sports, art, drama, and mental health programs at Fitzjohn's. Please contact Tali at Tali07@gmail.com or Tara at tarashannon1@gmail.com with any donations. You can also share this donation request letter (on next page of Focus) with businesses. Thanks for your support!

### Dates for the Diary

Monday 17 June Y6 police cadets  
 Tuesday 18 June Y1 Camley St  
 Thursday 20 June EYFS/KS1 Sports Day  
 Friday 21 June Y5 Pedestrian skills  
 Friday 21 June Y4 London Zoo  
 Wednesday 26 June Y6 Boules and Baguettes  
 Thursday 27 June pm Y2/3 Music Cluster festival  
 1-5 July Y6 Swimming  
 Wednesday 3 July Y3 and Y5 dance at The Place  
 8-12 July Y6 Swimming  
 Tuesday 9 July Reception Pizza Express  
 Saturday 13 July Summer fair  
 Wednesday 17 July 7.30pm Y6 play  
 Tuesday 23 July 9.30am Reception graduation  
 Tuesday 23 July 6pm Y6 Leavers Disco  
 Tuesday 23 July 7.30pm Y6 Leavers assembly  
 Wednesday 24 July 13.30 school closes

### Summer Term Assemblies all at 9.15

Friday 21 June Reception  
 Friday 28 June Nursery  
**Y6 perform The Switch 7.30pm Wednesday 17 July**

<b>Attendance for the week</b> Our target is 95%+ <i>Missing school is missing out</i>	
Year 1	93.37
Year 2	94.91
Year 3	93.57
Year 4	94.75
Year 5	93.35
Year 6	92.89
<b>School</b>	<b>93.81</b>
<b>Well done Y2</b>	

**Parent Donations**

**£50 Donation**

**£100 Donation**

# Fitzjohn's School Association



May 2024

Dear Sir/Madam,

**Fitzjohn's Primary School, Fitzjohn's Avenue, NW3  
Summer Fair- Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> July 2024**

We are writing on behalf of the Fitzjohn's School Association, the parent/teacher association for Fitzjohn's Primary School.

Fitzjohn's is one of only three state schools in the area and has a strong community ethos. We rely on donations from our families and the support of local businesses to assist with fundraising for our sports, art, drama and mental health programmes that are so crucial for the children but not funded by the local authority.

On Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> July, we will have our annual Summer Fair which is a central part of our annual fundraising campaign. We would greatly appreciate donations of products or gift vouchers for our auction and/or sponsorship of the Fair. Should you be able to help, we will recognise your contribution in all communications regarding the Summer Fair (posters, social media, letters to families), as well as in our weekly newsletter, which goes to 180+ local families.

All your donations go to support children in our school, so this is an excellent opportunity to support our community. Thank you in advance for your kind consideration.

Yours sincerely,

**Tali**

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## KS2 Sports Day 2024

Running	Y3/4 Boys	Y3/4 Girls	Y5/6 Boys	Y5/6 Girls
1st	Y3 Santiago Y4 Tom	Y3 Vivi Y4 Kate	Y5 Eyal Y6 David	Y5 Ofri/Alma Y6 Hana
2nd	Y5 Elliot Y4 Joseph	Y3 Zoe Y4 Darcy	Y5 Dylan Y6 Keenan	Y6 Viv W
3rd	Y3 Ben Y4 Ari	Y2 Ariel Y4 Ronnie	Y3 Alex Y6 Dan	Y5 Kseniia Y6 Ayla

Throwing	Y3/4 Boys	Y3/4 Girls	Y5/6 Boys	Y5/6 Girls
1st	Y3 Alessandra Y4 Omer	Y3 Ariel Y4 Alia	Y5 Alex Y6 Keenan	Y5 Renne Y6 Garance
2nd	Y3 Afra Y4 Ryan	Y3 Vivi Y4 Naamma	Y5 Eyal Y6 Leo	Y5 Kseniia Y6 Viv W
3rd	Y3 Alfie Y4 Joseph	Y3 Alex Y4 Ronnie	Y5 Jessie Y6 George	Y5 Vlada Y6 Ayla

Jumping	Y3/4 Boys	Y3/4 Girls	Y5/6 Boys	Y5/6 Girls
1st	Y3 Alexander Y4 Joseph	Y3 Vivi Y4 Ronnie	Y5 Alex Y6 David	Y5 Alma Y6 Ayla
2nd	Y3 Jonah Y4 Yonathan	Y3 Joe Y4 Kate	Y5 Eyal Y6 George	Y5 Renee Y6 Garance
3rd	Y3 Elliot Y4 Karm	Y3 Lia Y4 Labdhi	Y5 Dyan Y6 Leo L	Y5 Mika Y6 Isla

Event—Champion	Child: Their names will be added to our trophies.
Running	<b>Eyal Y5</b>
Throwing	<b>Alex Y5</b>
Jumping	<b>Alex Y5</b>

Position	House
1st	<b>Earth</b>
2nd	<b>Water</b>
3rd	<b>Air</b>
4th	<b>Fire</b>

Thanks to the staff for all their hard work all day, to all the competitors and to the parents/cares who helped to score!  
Thank you.



FITZJOHN'S  
**Summer**  
FAIR



SATURDAY  
13TH JULY  
12-5PM



SAVE THE DATE!

<b>This week in class</b>	
<b>Nursery</b>	We started the week with a trip to West Hampstead Fire station. The children met the 'blue watch' team and enjoyed sitting on the fire engine, as well as using the hose! We used the bus for first time and we were so incredibly proud of how sensible the children were. We've read many stories about fire fighting, 'Dinosaur firefighters' was a favourite. We were inspired to create a display. The children have been busy painting dinosaurs and making fire engines using egg boxes (thank you to Rae for eating so many eggs!!). In maths we've focused on shape. We're much more confident with naming a pentagon and hexagon! We've also been learning how many sides are on a shape. We're excited about sports day next week, look out on GC for the team list. We'll be focusing on the 'Police' next week, we may even have some Police officers visiting on Wednesday!
<b>Reception</b>	Receptions caterpillars are growing and growing....we think they might build a cocoon soon. We have enjoyed continuing to learn about minibeasts this week- we have learnt some poems ready for our assembly next week and read lots of minibeast stories. We learnt that butterflies are symmetrical, and created our own symmetrical butterflies. In phonics we have been reading and writing CVCC and CCVC words with digraphs, e.g. toast, green. In maths we have been investigating tricky concepts of odds, evens and doubling. Can they tell you any doubles? On Sunday it is Fathers Day so we made cards, and shared lots of reasons we love our Daddies!
<b>Class 1</b>	This week in literacy the children have been writing their postcards to Rob all about their adventure around London. They remembered to include an address, a greeting, a message and a conclusion. They also drew a lovely picture on the front of their postcard. In maths we have been working on comparing numbers to 100. We have written number sentences with the greater than, less than and equals symbols in. In art we have created beautiful rainbow tree paintings ready to display in our classroom. This week the children also did their phonics screening test. We are all so proud of how hard they worked and their results are amazing!! Have a great weekend Class 1.
<b>Class 2</b>	Class 2 have been wonderful this week, demonstrating resilience and a great 'have a go' attitude towards some little tests that we did. They continue to amaze me with their wit and intelligence and I am very proud of them! Despite my absence, we packed in quite a bit of learning about Stonehenge and continued with guided reading and spelling. Next week, we will be back to normal business and tackling statistics in maths and some imaginative story writing.
<b>Class 3</b>	Our week started with sports day which we had a fantastic day filled with fun, challenge and exercise. We're all extremely proud of our efforts. In Maths, we have been continuing with our Time topic. We learned how to read and write minutes past the hour then to the hour on analogue clocks. We then learned to read and write the time in digital and learned to use AM and PM when telling the time. In literacy, we read the narrative poem, 'Hansel and Gretel' by Roald Dahl and started by identifying the poetry features we learned last week such as alliteration, similes, rhyme, humour etc. We then created storyboards to illustrate what happened in the poem including the setting, characters and events. In Geography, we learned more about volcanoes and created diagrams to help explain how they are formed. In computing, we have identified and explored additional features in our Scratch projects and building more sequences of commands to make them work better.
<b>Class 4</b>	What a super week! In Literacy, we have been creating persuasive campaigns to Save The Rainforest! We have made posters with a range of persuasive techniques, rhetorical questions, powerful imagery and emotive language. In Maths, we have finished our unit on time, where we learnt to tell the time on an analogue clock and convert to and from 12 and 24 hour digital time. In Art, we created beautiful panoramic rainforest scenes, inspired by French artist, Henri Rousseau. We have also spent lots of time revising our times tables and successfully sat our Multiplication Table Check!
<b>Class 5</b>	This week, Class 5 have been learning about negative numbers in Maths, while in Literacy we finished reading The Highwayman. We analysed the literary techniques and we planned and wrote a newspaper report on the events of the narrative poem. In Science/P.S.H.E., we learned about the different changes boys' and girls' bodies undergo during puberty, while in RE we discussed Christian rituals.
<b>Class 6</b>	After a hectic, cold and competitive sports day, Year 6 have been engaging with a lovely short film called 'The Girl and the Fox'. They are creating a narrative description that showcases their talents and writing skills from KS2. We have also created our business teams and the children are busily thinking about their products (or services) together with their business name, corporate logo and slogans. The aim is to 'pitch for a loan' (from the bank of Pete) to put their entrepreneurial ideas into reality so that they can sell for profit at the upcoming summer fair. Rehearsals for 'The Switch' are now also in full swing: please get your children learning their lines at home. Don't forget that the Year 6 Geography project should also be being completed as homework: the deadline day for submission is July 10th.



Parliament Hill Fields, Hampstead Heath. are running Half-price Holiday Camps over the Summer Holidays for schools and the community. Can you please add this information to your newsletter. <https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/RudolphSchoolofTennis>

# 11+ Summer Camp!

A Series of Masterclasses to include:

Maths  
English  
VR  
NVR

## Dates and Times

Monday 29th July to Friday 2nd August 2024,  
10am to 5pm each day

## Venue

Ambler Primary School, Blackstock Road, London, N4 2DR

## Fees

£75 daily or £300 for the week

## Contact Muhammad

[ma@mathematicsandsciencetuition.com](mailto:ma@mathematicsandsciencetuition.com) or 07855 443649



Happy Pride to all our community members who are celebrating this month.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround/52872693>

<https://www.lovecamden.org/whats-on/pride-celebration-month-at-camden-libraries>



In 2023 at the Blackpool Magic Convention I saw one of the best pieces of (magical) entertainment I have ever seen.

Mario makes all of this tricks and effects himself using found materials. But more than this his show is full of life, energy and learning.

A friend of mine is co-producing his show which is on over the summer in [Udderbelly Boulevard](#) in Soho. (A word of warning—it may mean walking past some of the more nefarious Soho venues!)

Whilst this show is aimed at children it is not just a children's show—it is one of the most life-

affirming shows I've seen. Genuinely I can't tell you how great he is—you need to see him for yourself.

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Click the image above to see more about him and to book tickets..

### 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	
	First order	Existing customer order	First order	Existing customer order
TESCO	£4.90	£1.75	£2.90	£1.75
MORRISONS	£4.90	£1.40	£3.00	£1.50
ASDA	£2.50	£1.00	X	X
M&S	£1.23	90p	£1.23	X
Sainsbury's	£4.00	60p	£4.50	60p
Iceland	1.50£	0.50£	X	X
Ocado	1.50£	0.50p	X	X

Minimum spend requirements apply. Full retailer T&Cs apply. Donor rates may change from time to time, rates above were correct as of 18/05/2023.

#### Raise a donation every time you shop with your supermarket

Last year we raised close to £1,000 just from parents using easyfundraising for their online shopping. It takes a couple of minutes to set-up, and that's it!

These donations really help us, so it would be great if you could take a moment to get started: [easyfundraising for Fitzjohn's](#)  
Thank you!



Eid Mubarak to all our families who will be celebrating this festival starting on Sunday.

#### Thank a Teacher

If you want to thank anyone working in our school this is a great way of doing it. From experience I know that they are greatly appreciated and can act as a springboard to the National Teaching Awards. <https://thankateacher.co.uk/>



 easyfundraising

Our school's raised  
**£2.9K**  
so far

Sign up



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Join today to earn a FREE entry into the giveaway

Great news! We raised over £2,900 so far on #easyfundraising! If you're not already there, sign up now and help us raise free donations almost every time you shop online. It's completely free! Plus, join today and the school could win a £50 bonus: <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/fitzjohnsprimary>

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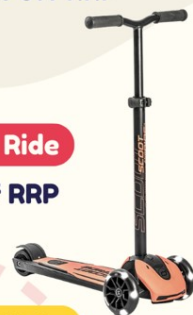


**Huffy Bikes**

**30% off RRP**

**Scoot & Ride**

**30% off RRP**



**Skate Hut**

**50% off RRP**



### Free Money!

You may all already know that everyone from Reception to Year 6 is now entitled for Free School Meals as these are being funded by the government and the Mayor of London.

**What you may not know is that the school gets extra money into our account for all those children who fulfil certain criteria.**

**Please could everyone check on this link to see if you are entitled - if you are then we get extra money!**

<https://pps.lgfl.org.uk/>

### Corporate Funding - can you help?

Are you working in one of the banks or one of the big tech companies (Google, Microsoft, Facebook)? We are looking to speak to parents who work there about some corporate funding opportunities for the school.

Please get in touch with:  
Lee (Oscar's (Y2) and Rae's (N) dad): [leefels79@gmail.com](mailto:leefels79@gmail.com)  
or Nitzan (Roni's (Y5) dad): [nitzanyudan@hotmail.com](mailto:nitzanyudan@hotmail.com)



## FITZJOHN'S SCHOOL TERM AND HOLIDAY DATES: 2024/2025

AUTUMN TERM 2024	
INSET Days - pupils not in school	<b>Monday 2 and Tuesday 3 September</b>
<b>TERM BEGINS FOR PUPILS</b>	<b>Wednesday 4 September</b>
Half term holiday	Monday 28 – Friday 1 November 2024
<b>SECOND HALF-TERM BEGINS</b>	<b>Monday 4 November 2024</b>
INSET Day – pupils not in school (Parent/Teacher Meetings)	<b>Monday 18 November 2024</b>
Term Ends	Friday 20 December 13.30
SPRING TERM 2025	
INSET Day - pupils not in school	<b>Monday 6 January 2025</b>
<b>TERM BEGINS FOR PUPILS</b>	<b>Tuesday 7 January</b>
Half term holiday	Monday 17– Tuesday 21 February 2025
<b>SECOND HALF-TERM BEGINS</b>	<b>MONDAY 24 FEBRUARY 2024</b>
Term Ends	Friday 4 April 2025
SPRING HOLIDAYS	Monday 7 April – Monday 21 April 2025
SUMMER TERM 2025	
INSET Day - pupils not in school	Tuesday 22 April 2025
<b>TERM BEGINS FOR PUPILS</b>	<b>Wednesday 23 April 2025</b>
Half term holiday	Monday 26 May - Friday 30 May 2025
<b>SECOND HALF-TERM BEGINS</b>	<b>Monday 2 June 2025</b>
Term ends	13.30 Tuesday 22 July 2025
PUBLIC HOLIDAYS	
Christmas Day	Wednesday 25 December
Boxing Day	Thursday 26 December
New Year's Day	Wednesday 1 January
Good Friday	Friday 18 April
Easter Monday	Monday 21 April
May Day	Monday 5 May
Spring Bank holiday	Monday 26 May
<p style="color: red; margin: 0;"><b>Please do not book holidays during term time.</b></p> <p style="color: red; margin: 0;"><b>We do not set learning for children who are taken away on holiday. They should read, keep a diary, practise their number bonds or timetables.</b></p>	

**STANDING ORDER MANDATE**

<b>To The Manager</b>	
Bank Name	
Bank Address (optional)	
Bank Sort Code	
Bank Account Number	
<b>Please Pay</b>	
Payee Bank Name	Lloyds TSB
Payee Account Name	Fitzjohn's School Association
Payee Sort Code	30-93-80
Payee Account Number	00008235
Payment Amount (circle)	£30   £50   £100   £250   £500   Other: £
Frequency	STANDING ORDERS from my account as detailed in this instruction on the ___ day of every month
Date of First Payment	
Reference	Fitzjohn's Parents Appeal
<b>Customer Details</b>	
Print Name	
Signature	
Date	
Address	
Email	
Phone number	
<b>GIFT AID IT—UK TAXPAYERS!</b>	
<p>For every pound you give to us we get an extra 25p from the INLAND REVENUE so please sign below if you are a UK taxpayer*</p> <p>I am a UK taxpayer and under the GIFT AID scheme, I would like the Fitzjohn's School Association to claim back the tax on any donations I make until further notice OR have made in the past 4 years.</p> <p>Signature _____</p> <p><i>*To qualify for Gift Aid what you pay in UK income tax or capital gains tax must be at least equal to the amount we will claim in the tax year from the Inland Revenue. NB. Please notify us if you change your address. NB. You can cancel your standing order form at anytime.</i></p>	

PLEASE RETURN THE COMPLETED FORM TO THE FITZJOHN'S PRIMARY SCHOOL'S OFFICE.

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