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**Summer Term Issue 14
24 July 2024**

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Summer term—100% attendance					
Congratulations to the following children who attained 100% attendance this term:					
Nursery: Filippa			Reception: Alexaner, Dhanika, Naomi, Eva, Shahla, Celeste, Hailey		
Class 1: William, Livya, Ivy, Ella			Class 2: Fyodor, Reina, Eva, Soloman, Sual, Suki		
Class 3: Lia, Alex			Class 4: Tighe, Michael, Karm, Anastasia, Emily, Kyoka, Naama		
Class 5: James, Hannah, Adrian, Alma, Ofri			Class 6: Ayla, George, Yair, Leo L, David, Nevo, Abigail, Isla, Vivian W		
A huge congratulations to the following pupil who achieved 100% attendance for the year: Karm Y3					
Sandra Hana Isla Elisa	Parliament Hill	Dan Leo L Ethan	JCOSS	Year 6 We say goodbye to our lovely Y6 as they fly the nest. We have loved being part of your learning journey and hope that you take fond memories with you. Whether you end up being a carpenter, actor, banker, doctor or even an international popstar, whatever, we hope that you all come back and visit us as a part of you will always be here. I will miss you all. Rob	
Humairah Vivian W	Harris Academy	Leo C	Northbridge		
George Bear Nevo	King Alfred	Ayla Lily	Hampstead		
Abi	JFS	Maya	Maria Fidelis		
Garance	CFBL	David	Highgate		
Vivian F	The UCLA	Amalia	St Paul's		
Omri	Maida Vale	Keenan	William Ellis		
Lula	LSU	Peyton	Marylebone		
Yair	UCS	Sofia	Fortismere		
Rayne	Canada				
House Winners Congratulations to Earth for winning the House Trophy for the Spring and Summer Term. We celebrated with an extra playtime. 2nd Fire, 3rd Air, 4th Water		School council We are proud to announce that the School Council raised a very impressive £516 for the charity 'Friends Of The Earth! Thank you to everyone who donated and bought items at our stall. Also a very special thank you to Megan, Nicoletta, Gintare and Tali who gave up their time to make this fundraiser a huge success!		Attendance for the YEAR	
				Year 1	93.58
				Year 2	94.50
				Year 3	93.79
				Year 4	94.86
				Year 5	93.17
				Year 6	93.10
				School	93.82
		Well done Year 4			



GOODBYE AND THANKS TO OUR AMAZING YEAR 6

Thanks to the parents who came to say goodbye on Tuesday evening and to Melissa (Rayne Y6) and Gail (Leo Y6) who helped organise the party (Gail also took the pictures above).

Although our Y6 have gone they have left an amazing legacy with a donation of **£1,000** towards our solar panel appeal. This is being matched by Barclays Bank so the total donation will be **£2,000**.

With thanks to all of the parents who donated, to Melissa for masterminding the campaign and to Ola (Vivian Y6) for arranging the gift matching.

The solar panel project (which is currently being checked over by Camden's legal team) is being spearheaded by Yael (Dan Y6 and Ben Y3).
If you or your company would like to contribute please let us know.

Fitzjohn's Governing Body

Chair's Report

The Governing Body (GB) has met twice in the Summer Term: once in late May and, more recently, on 10th July.

At the May meeting, we focused on a presentation from Kelly Anne Wray (Camden Learning Data Consultant). Her presentation 'Review of Analysis for Fitzjohn's School' reflected on the 22-23 school year data. Details of the GB's discussion are set out in the minutes from that meeting within the 'Meet the Governors' section on the website.

In terms of next steps, the GB agreed that the data generated some excellent discussion and it be used to feed into the discussion at our July meeting, when we started work on articulating the 2024-27 school vision.

The GB reflected on a very positive Ofsted Inspection report from April, as well as key learning points from the Annual Governor Day in School held on 2nd May.

We also received feedback from Governor Ella Salter on the Personal Social Health and Economic Education (PSHE) Subject Focus Day, and we formally reviewed the SEND information report for 2024, led by Deputy Headteacher Debbie and Governor Andrea.

In May, we agreed the school budget for 24-25 and the aim is to have a balanced budget for the start of 25/26. GB noted that the FSA support, as always, has been invaluable. Thanks to the generous support of the FSA, we ended the last financial year with just a small deficit, which we will pay off over the next year. We also noted that Year 6 had a very enjoyable trip to Whitby.

At our July meeting, we received details of the preliminary Key Stage 2 SAT results, and these will be published to parents before the end of term. The results were very pleasing and the GB recognised the achievement of our Y6 children and of course of all the teachers who have taught them.

At our July meeting, Year 6 teacher Pete informed the Governing Body of the process for helping the Year 6 children to transfer successfully to Year 7 and secondary school life. Governors noted the secondary transfer process - which starts in the autumn term through to the offer day in the early spring - and then the support, once an offer has been finalised, for the children to their secondary destination. The GB noted a variety of secondary school destinations, both inside and outside of the borough, and these seem to change year by year. GB remains assured by the support in place from the school to help our children and their families navigate this important stage of the children's educational journey and any potential anxiety.

Mike Herlihy, Clerk to the Governors, continues to manage the GB's paperwork and decision-making structures. He keeps us informed about national developments in school governance which, as a Board, we need to keep abreast of, as well as advice from Camden. I was able to cover the Camden context with a report back from the termly meeting of Camden Governing Body Chairs Forum and the key focus on pupil attendance.

A key role of the Governing Body is 'knowing the school' and at our July meeting we received a report from Lead Governor Andrea on Special Educational Needs provision at the school following her visit in June. Parent Governor Ella provided a report back from the Religious Education Subject Focus Day.

The GB noted progress on the targets within the School Improvement Plan for 23-24 and had an initial discussion on the priorities for 24-25, which will be formally agreed at our next meeting in October. Finally, we had an initial discussion on updating our School Vision statement for the next 3 year period (2024-27). A small working group of Governors will meet in September to finalise this for sign off in October. The updated vision will of course take into account some key points made by parents who attended the Fitzjohn's conversation back in January; I will provide an update in my autumn term newsletter.

It was delightful to see such a buzzing summer fair, and see the Fitzjohn's community celebrating together, as it does so well. Thank you to the FSA chairs and all who volunteered and supported in any way possible. Having an engaged community makes Fitzjohn's what it is. Congratulations to all the children for their progress and achievements this year, and to all the staff for all the hard work you put into Fitzjohn's.

Ruth Schocken Katz
Chair of GB

School Governors

You can find full details of the Governing Body on the website, along with other key governance information, including the minutes of our half-termly Board meetings and school policies.

We will be holding a Meet the Parents event on Monday September 16th at 6.30 pm. If you are thinking about where to send your child for secondary, this is an invaluable opportunity to ask questions from a friendly panel of families at our local state secondary schools. You can ask whatever you want and also chat to panellists afterwards. There's been a lot of change in Camden in the last year - just as there may be within the independent school sector - and this is your chance to get up-to-date information rather than relying on gossip. Schools represented will be Hampstead, Haverstock, UCL Academy, Parliament Hill and William Ellis. Parents from all year groups are welcome, as are older children. You can find out more about Meet the Parents at www.meettheparents.info.



[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.



Thank you!

As we come to the end of my 124th year at Fitzjohn's I find myself having to find another way of saying thank you. Whatever I say, it will never be enough.

Thank you to the children as they are the reason we all trudge into work every day—no matter what our mood they are sure to lift it.

Thank you to the parents/carers for taking an active part in the learning and life of the school.

Thank you to all our volunteer governors who go above and beyond to support and challenge to ensure that we are the best that we can be.

Thank you to all of the staff for going above and beyond to ensure that school and learning is fun.

If you are leaving us then we hope that you leave with fond memories and our love.

Have a wonderful restful summer and we shall see (almost) all of you in September.

This week in class	
Nurse-ry	This week we've enjoyed our last few days together. On Monday we went to Hampstead Heath for our end of term picnic. We played in the park, ate lots of yummy snacks and played parachute games. It was so much fun, thank you to all the grown-ups who were able to join us. On Tuesday, we watched Reception class graduate, we're looking forward to our turn next year! We've had such a wonderful year, the children have made us so proud :) We wish all the children 'good luck' for Reception class. Have a wonderful summer!
Reception	Wow! It has been such a fantastic year in Reception this year! We have enjoyed celebrating our achievements, and spending lots of time with our friends this week. We have had to be even more creative as lots of the furniture and toys have been taken away to make space for a new carpet. Thankfully some children had big ideas on how to use up the final of the junk modelling. Reception enjoyed their graduation, super posing for photos and singing (and dancing) to the Graduation song. We then had an ice cream party to celebrate, with our own home made ice cream. Goodbye Reception, have a lovely summer holidays and Good Luck in Year 1!
Class 1	This week in maths we have been doing lots of games and revision of the mathematics concepts learnt throughout Year 1. In literacy we have been sharing and writing our favourite memories of the year. In science we went on a nature walk, picked linden seeds and made linden chocolate with Rana! In topic we have worked extremely hard on making our topic based film 'Going Green'. Thank you to all who helped out and attended our movie premiere. We had a fantastic afternoon of dancing, eating and watching our movie. Year 1, thank you for making us proud everyday since starting in September. You have made our jobs fun, worked so hard and we wish you all the best going into Year 2. Have a great holiday everyone!
Class 2	What a great year we've had in Year 2! I am so proud of the resilience, inquisitiveness and confidence with which Class 2 have approached their learning this year. They are a truly wonderful class. They show kindness and caring towards each other, they're inclusive and they have given their best in every aspect of the curriculum this year. We are so sad to see them go. Thank you also parents for all your support this year. The reminders and help you've given your children have enabled them to be really successful learners and I know they'll have a fabulous time with Pam and Alice in Class 3. Wishing you a safe, fun and relaxing summer break, whatever you're doing. Thank you from the Year 2 team (Janie, Anaya, Rana & Kathleen)
Class 3	We have had a lovely last couple of days of the academic year and lots of fun. We completed a Maths Mystery group challenge which earned us lots of house points which we loved! We had some fun quizzes and created a 'See how I have grown' flower. We had our class party on Tuesday. We danced, we ate and enjoyed being together most of all! We enjoyed watching the year 6 vs staff cricket game on Wednesday. We are looking forward to a restful, enjoyable and fun summer ahead to recharge and be ready for what year 4 brings!
Class 4	This week in Class 4 I (Verity) have enjoyed catching up with the children. It has been wonderful to see how they have grown and matured since Year 2. During the two and half days we have tested our Ancient Egyptian knowledge with a quiz, learned how to make macramé bracelets and taken a deep dive into Team GB's success at past Olympic games. It has been wonderful. I hope you have a fabulous Summer and I look forward to seeing you in September.
Class 5	This week, Class 5 has been enjoying making their own quizzes on Kahoot as well as playing games and drawing. We had great fun partying on Tuesday, eating party food and listening to music. On Wednesday, we watched the Year 6 assembly, said our goodbyes and wished each other a lovely summer!
Class 6	Congratulations year 6 on your graduation from primary school - we couldn't be prouder of you. Well done again for great progress and achievement in your SATS, for being such wonderful company on our school trip, for the amazing performances in our school play and lastly, for the fitting denouement to your year in our school disco and leavers' assembly last night. You leave us with our love and best wishes: now go out into the world and make us all proud - but don't forget to pop back in and say hello! Good luck, Pete, Dawn, Rosh, Kez and Gemma. x



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

I saw the first show in London a few weeks ago and it was just as great.

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.

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

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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!



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FITZJOHN'S PRIMARY SCHOOL HAS CREATED A NEW SITE TO BUY SCHOOL LOGO T-SHIRTS, HOODIES AND MORE FOR CHILDREN AND ADULTS. THE FITZJOHNSNW3 LOGO REPRESENTS OUR COMMUNITY AND AREA, AND IS IN AN EXACT REPLICA OF THE STREET SIGN DIRECTLY BESIDE THE SCHOOL ENTRANCE. THE HISTORY OF THIS LOGO IS UNIQUE TO OUR LOCATION AND HISTORY. OTHER LOGOS AVAILABLE ARE THE HOUSE SIGNS OF AIR, WATER, EARTH AND FIRE AND THE SCHOOL BUILDING LOGO.

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Fitzjohn's Primary School

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

AUTUMN TERM 2024	
INSET Days - pupils not in school	Monday 2 and Tuesday 3 September
TERM BEGINS FOR PUPILS	Wednesday 4 September
Half term holiday	Monday 28 – Friday 1 November 2024
SECOND HALF-TERM BEGINS	Monday 4 November 2024
INSET Day – pupils not in school (Parent/Teacher Meetings)	Monday 18 November 2024
Term Ends	Friday 20 December 13.30
SPRING TERM 2025	
INSET Day - pupils not in school	Monday 6 January 2025
TERM BEGINS FOR PUPILS	Tuesday 7 January
Half term holiday	Monday 17– Tuesday 21 February 2025
SECOND HALF-TERM BEGINS	MONDAY 24 FEBRUARY 2024
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
TERM BEGINS FOR PUPILS	Wednesday 23 April 2025
Half term holiday	Monday 26 May - Friday 30 May 2025
SECOND HALF-TERM BEGINS	Monday 2 June 2025
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; font-weight: bold; margin: 0;">Please do not book holidays during term time.</p> <p style="color: red; font-weight: bold; margin: 0;">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.</p>	

Thank you from the staff!
Thank you for your kind gifts, cards and, most importantly, words as the year comes to an end!

Parliament Hill Fields, Hampstead Heath. are running Half-price Holiday Camps over the Summer Holidays for schools and the community.

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Nursery and Reception are having their floors replaced over the summer (as well as new windows in Reception).

(We are also having the outside toilets refloored)

We need some help to move ALL of the resources and furniture out of the rooms at 8.30am on Thursday 25 July and Friday 26 July.

Hopefully (if lots help) it will only take an hour.

Please sign up here if you can help. Please note that this will involve lifting heavy things.

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Cricket
Congratulations to the Y6 team who were way better than the staff. But age and experience still won the day with the staff beating Y6 by 32 to 21 runs.

Street Dance Summer Camp With Holly

29 July 2024 - 2nd August 2024
9am - 2pm

Fitzjohns Primary School
Hampstead

**CONTACT HOLLY FOR FURTHER
DETAILS**

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10:00 – 10:30

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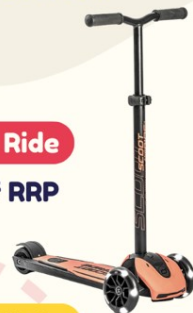


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Please could everyone check on this link to see if you are entitled - if you are then we get extra money!

<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
or Nitzan (Roni's (Y5) dad): nitzanyudan@hotmail.com

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