

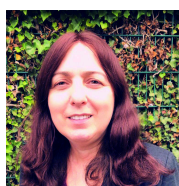


CURRICULUM NEWS

2024 Summer Term 2 - Secondary West

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Challenge Potential
Empower Learning*

Deputy Headteacher's Welcome



As I write this edition, I reflect on the past year with immense pride. Our first cohort of pupils took their GCSEs, and while we eagerly await their results, I am thrilled to announce that all pupils entered for various examinations—ranging from SATs, AQA awards, Functional Skills, and Entry Levels to BTEC—were successful. This is an outstanding achievement, and we are immensely proud of them all.

Additionally, I would like to highlight the remarkable progress our pupils have made throughout this academic year. The recent Pupil Progress Day was a resounding success, showcasing the incredible progress our pupils have achieved.

I am also very proud of our enrichment offer. Every pupil has had the opportunity to participate in activities that complement their learning, strengthening both individual learning experiences and our overall curriculum.

Thank you for your continued support. It has been a fantastic year full of celebrations and highlights, and I am so proud to be part of this wonderful school and its community. Wishing you all a very happy summer holiday.

Best wishes, Helen Georgiades, Deputy Headteacher

Teaching, Learning, Curriculum

Welcome to the last edition of our curriculum newsletter for 2024. All pupil reports have been written and it's so wonderful to see the remarkable progress our pupils have made throughout this academic year. Our most recent Pupil Progress Day was a good opportunity for staff and parents to discuss the incredible progress our pupils have made. I am delighted to announce that all pupils who were entered for various examinations, ranging from AQA awards, SATs, Functional skills, Entry levels and BTEC were successful. This is an outstanding achievement, and we are immensely proud of them all. We now wait excitedly to see how Docklands Class pupils have fared in their GCSE examinations.

As always we continue to develop and enhance our curriculum across the school. The faculty leads and subject leads have worked tirelessly to ensure our pupils have the best possible teaching and learning opportunities available to them. I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a wonderful summer holiday and thank you for your support over the year, both staff and pupils appreciate it immensely.

Best wishes, Lee Mills, Assistant Headteacher

Dates for your diary

| Date | Event |
|-------------------------------|--|
| 2nd September | INSET- No pupils |
| 3rd September | All pupils return |
| 28th October -1st November | Half Term Break |
| 2nd November | International day for the abolition of slavery |
| 11th November | Remembrance Day |
| 12th November | ODD Sock Day |
| 11th-15th November | Anti-Bullying week |
| 13th December | Pupil Progress Day - School is closed to Pupils |
| 20th December | End of Term |
| 6th January | INSET - No Pupils |
| 7th January | Pupils back to school |



Safeguarding Lead News - Miss Huseyin

Thank you all for yet another productive year!

Please find here some information for services that you can use while school is closed for summer:

If you have a safeguarding concern please use the numbers below to contact staff at Haringey's Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH) for advice:

Monday to Thursday 8.45am to 5pm;
Friday 8.45am to 4.45pm Tel: 020 8489 4470

Out of office hours, including weekends the Emergency Duty Team Tel: 020 8489 0000

If you need to speak to the CAMHS crisis team please contact:

CAMHS crisis number: 0800 151 0023.

You can call this number to get help or advice in a crisis from trained mental health advisors and clinicians, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year.

September will be a busy flurry of new starters and returning pupils. We will focus on relationships and wellbeing, in particular during that first half term.

Best wishes

Miss Huseyin

Pastoral and Behaviour - Mr Louis Maunder

Hi everyone,

The sun might not be shining, but we have made it through to the end of summer term! It has been a wonderful year full of so many successes and special moments. Thank you to all of you who attended a Family Workshop or came in to do 1:1 sessions related to behaviour and wellbeing with me. I have enjoyed talking and working alongside you all so much.

We have had some great success this year with our playground project and the introduction of the playground charter. Levels of pupil engagement have increased and it is now a more engaging and calm period of time for the pupils. We have also worked as a staff group to design a set of wellbeing non-negotiables that focus on autistic differences. This poster will be in all classrooms from next year to guide and support staff.

I hope you all have a lovely summer holiday and I am looking forward to seeing you all again in September.

Louis Maunder

Senior Leader for Wellbeing and Behaviour



Space Dome Photos

Career News

As we are finishing off the year I just wanted to share with you that we are really proud that every pupil in our school took part in at least 3 different enrichment or careers activities over the course of the academic year. There have been a total of 46 Careers and Enrichment activities planned across the year and within those activities 881 pupils took part! This is AMAZING and it wouldn't have been possible without the support and hard work of all our staff and parents. Thank you to everyone, our pupils have benefited immensely from this!

There are so many highlights of this year but to name a few of them: Pupils loved the RSC workshop & Barbican showing of 'My Neighbour Totoro', Primary and Secondary pupils had a great time at the immersive art exhibit 'Frameless' (I recommend this as a holiday trip it is fantastic), Careers week was a great success with the Gaming Bus being a huge hit with all pupils across the school, The GCSE group really enjoyed their History trip to the Tower of London and District class really enjoyed their Careers experience at London Zoo. Sixth form have continued to work at Five Guys and Kentish Town City Farm and have started working in Boots - all have been a great success. Finally, we finished off the term with the amazing 'Space Dome' that came into the hall and gave all pupils an experience of space and the galaxy - they loved it!

Have a great summer and as always please contact me if you have any questions around careers and next steps.

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Bronja Elton *Director of Sixth Form/Careers Lead*

CLASSROOM NEWS

SECONDARY WEST NEWS

HEAD OF SECONDARY WEST

Dear friends and families, I hope you are well.

I can't believe that this academic year is coming to an end. Lately I have been taking time to reflect on all the fantastic things our pupils have engaged with or accomplished this year. Secondary West pupils have enjoyed many exciting opportunities this year such as horse riding, swimming lessons, theatre trips, performing in the winter show or summer concert, working with The Cortauld Gallery, visits to local museums, careers work with SCOPE or the igniting futures programme at Sculpt, working in the local allotment or taking part in enterprise projects.

I have been very proud of how our pupils have managed our school transition afternoons and the eagerness they display at meeting their new teachers and peers. This term we say farewell to our Year 11 pupils as they head off to sixth form; some pupils are heading off to new colleges where I am sure they will continue to thrive and have positive experiences.

We are also saying farewell to Miss Jude who is going off on maternity leave and we look forward to hearing about the safe arrival of her new baby in September.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for the support and

encouragement you have provided throughout the year and for the amazing working partnership you developed with your child's class team in order for all our pupils to achieve their full potential.

Have an amazing summer break and I look forward to seeing everyone's enthusiastic faces back with us again in September

Best Wishes

Miss Jac



CLASS NEWS

Maths

This term we have been learning about division

and multiplication through learning how to equally share and group items into 2, 5 or 10. We then moved on to learn about time. Pupils were able to sequence their daily routine, sort events by morning and afternoon and then finally explore how to tell the time to the hour and half past the hour.

English

Our story this term was "The Princess and The Pea" and our new skill was learning to write a postcard. Pupils had fun imagining themselves on holiday and were able to write sentences on their postcards about their experiences.

Science

This term our science topic was space. Pupils were able to explore and identify features of Earth, the moon and the sun.

Religious Education (R.E)

We enjoyed exploring the traditional Buddhist story of The Monkey King this term, particularly the interactive props used to bring the story to life in the classroom.

HOME LEARNING

- Take photographs of your family members to bring back to school in September.
- Our *Little Wandle* reading scheme books will be sent home with your child as well as a book of their choice. Read with/to them and practice comprehension questions throughout (who/what/where/when/why? questions)
 - Practice number bonds, addition and subtraction with access to our fun, friendly 'Numbots' <https://play.numbots.com/#/intro>



CLASS NEWS

Hello everyone. We hope this newsletter finds you all well. We have had a

wonderful summer term in Central, filled with hard work and exciting learning experiences as we finish off our AQA qualifications for this academic year.

In English, our focus has continued to be on writing. We have been making

sentences to describe what we see in pictures and building longer sentences to describe the world around us. In Maths, we completed a module on statistics, collecting data about what other people like and then moving on to sorting and grouping by different attributes. Science has been particularly fun as we have completed a module relating to Earth and have explored it through our senses. We planted seeds, made sensory pictures, explored weather, rocks, and enjoyed lots of sensory play. PSHE lessons centred around careers and money management.

As part of our KS4 thematic learning, we embraced the role of 'Working Citizens' and have been learning about how we can help out in the community and the life of being a professional gardener. We have also spent time out visiting shops and cafes as part of our Life Skills learning. We have practised being safe in the community as well as understanding appropriate behaviour in public settings. For the new academic year, our SEARCH value focus will be on support. Support means being there for others, offering help when needed, and encouraging each other to do our best. We will be looking for ways to support one another, whether it's through kind words, helpful actions, or just being a good friend.

As we wrap up this term, we want to take a moment to wish all our pupils the best of luck in their next adventures. Whether you are moving on to a new class or transitioning to Post 16 education, we are confident that you will continue to shine and achieve great things.

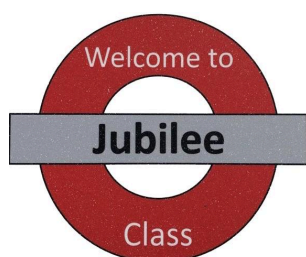
Thank you for all your hard work this term. Have a fantastic summer break!

HOME LEARNING

Keep enjoying reading together at home. Reading aloud is a great way of engaging with children, while also promoting language development and early literacy skills. There are also lots of resources available online that can help support our learning. Cooking can be a great way to interact, connect, and teach necessary life skills - some free visual recipes are available [here](#). Also, why not try some summer sensory activities together - some ideas can be found [here](#).

Have a fantastic summer break!

The Central Class Team



CLASS NEWS

Jubilee have been busy as ever this half term!

In Maths we have been focused on statistics and have explored many different ways to present data, including tally charts, pie charts and bar charts. This has allowed for a great crossover with our IT work where we have been creating spreadsheets and then making different charts with that data as well. This has then crossed over into our work skills topic where managing data is a key employability skill.

In English we have enjoyed a unit on spooky stories which has allowed us to analyse a range of extracts from different texts from classical to more recent and to write our own spooky descriptions. Pupils

have demonstrated great creativity and I hope that their work doesn't give me nightmares!

In Science we have completed an AQA unit on fossils and another on planets. We have been very creative and made our own ammonite fossils and orbiting planets. I am always impressed by the range of prior knowledge that pupils bring to these lessons and they have not disappointed, particularly in their knowledge of the planets!

In PSHE we have been thinking about the future and the independence skills the pupils need to develop as part of the "world we live in." We have looked at advertising on the internet as well as managing money and pupils have engaged in a range of role play opportunities to show their skills in, for example, requesting a refund.

In our Work Skills units, pupils sold Jubilee Jam and voted to give the profits to charity rather than buy a treat for the class. We got lots of positive feedback on the jam - apparently it is very good on a scone! Pupils also practised work related skills such as answering the telephone, taking a message and passing on messages before practising their interview skills.

In our Life Skills lessons we have been learning about travel and pupils have demonstrated their travelling skills on a trip to Rowan's bowling as well as, for some of the group, travelling to Elephant and Castle for work experience.

Many of you also saw Jubilee perform in the Summer Concert, where they showed

off a range of talent and made us all extremely proud.

HOME LEARNING

Jubilee have worked so hard this year, and deserve the summer break but it is always good to practise those key skills so why not try:

- regular visits to the library to choose books to share with family;
- cooking together and, if possible, independently, with a focus on following instructions and weighing ingredients;
- having a timetable of regular chores. The class have all practised washing up, folding clothes and tidying away;
- completing forms: if you pick up a form to complete, why not pick up an extra one for pupils to attempt;
- asking pupils to lead the way when travelling: can they tell you when it's safe to cross, show you where to use a Zip card etc.?



CLASS NEWS

Well done to Northern class for finishing the year strong and surviving

the unpredictable weather!

This half-term in English, we read 'The Selfish Giant' by Oscar Wilde, focusing on speech, adjectives, and writing a postcard. Pupils engaged enthusiastically, developing their vocabulary of descriptive language and the use of direct speech in

storytelling, with a little help from a microphone that was very popular.

In Maths, we covered grouping and sharing as well as times of the day. It was fantastic to see great understanding in these concepts, making connections between practical activities and numerical values.

Our Geography lessons took us through the topic of coastlines and their physical features. We explored coastal formations and learned about the processes that shape them, enhancing our understanding of natural landscapes.

In Science, we identified everyday materials such as plastic, wood, metal, and glass. The class enjoyed hands-on activities that helped them recognize and sort these materials around the school. Additionally, they really enjoyed exploring sensory trays related to each planet in our solar system.

Every Wednesday, we continued our local area trip to Belmont Recreational Grounds, where we practised road safety on the short walk. Pupils demonstrated important safety skills and enjoyed spending time in the park playground.

HOME LEARNING

- Home learning: Continue utilising core-language and core-boards over the holidays, modelling functional verbs (more, finished, open, close, stop, go) as you use them in daily life.

Thank you for an amazing year!



CLASS NEWS

Piccadilly have worked really hard and had lots of fun this half term. This term in maths, we have been working on multiplication and division. We have focused on multiplying and dividing by 2, 5 and 10. We have now moved on to telling the time and have been focusing on o'clock, half past, quarter past and quarter to. The children have really enjoyed showing different times on model clocks.

In English, Piccadilly class have been exploring a book called *Jack and the Baked Beanstalk* which is a modern twist on Jack and the Beanstalk. Pupils have been very engaged with this story and have enjoyed retelling it and answering questions about it. We are working towards writing a letter from the giant's point of view by the end of the half term.

In geography, Piccadilly class have been learning about coasts. Pupils have been looking different types of coasts across different countries. They really enjoyed making their own model coasts and describing their features.

In Science, the topic has been Earth and Space. Piccadilly class have explored the solar system, researching the rocky planets and the gas planets. They have also learnt about the movements of the Earth and moon in relation to the sun, and about what causes night and day. We are now moving on to looking at rocks - identifying and comparing different types.

In DT, we have been exploring space exploration vehicles. We started by researching real life space exploration vehicles and then moved on to designing our own, considering what features they

would need to have. Finally, the pupils made their vehicles using different junk modelling materials and then evaluated their work.

In computing, pupils have enjoyed using Scratch Junior which is a programming software. They have been absolutely brilliant at shortening given programmes and writing their own programmes to make characters move in different ways. I am very impressed by how quickly they have picked it up!

Well done on another wonderful half term Piccadilly Class, as well as an absolutely fantastic year!

Miss Amy

HOME LEARNING

- Please read daily with your child and ask them questions about what they have read to check that they understand.
- You may like to download 'Scratch Junior' onto a device at home for your child to continue exploring.

PE News with Mr Proctor

Secondary West department pupils focus on specific gross motor skills every half term during PE lessons. This half term pupils focused on developing their running, jumping, agility, balancing and throwing skills. Pupils have also explored athletics and tennis this half term.

Pupils have developed their hand eye coordination skills through tennis games where pupils have to balance and bounce tennis balls on their tennis racket before

progressing onto hitting a moving tennis ball. Pupils have also enjoyed participating in tennis rallies with a partner. Pupils have also thoroughly enjoyed preparing for Sports Day by taking part in athletics events such as javelin throwing, jumping over hurdles and running races.

Bakerloo, Piccadilly and Jubilee class have enjoyed weekly dance lessons every Tuesday with our Step Into Dance Instructor.

Performing Arts News with Ms Dydymka

Piccadilly & Jubilee

In music, pupils have been preparing for the summer concert by preparing a combined performance as the *Third Way Orchestra*. Pupils played different instruments as part of this performance - ukulele, keyboard, drums and guitars - and have all shown great progress in their musicianship.

In Drama, we've been reviewing the skills learnt over the year through games and role play.

Northern, Central & Bakerloo

In Performing Arts, pupils have been following a theme based on the Olympics using the *Olympic Harmony* unit from Sounds of Intent. Pupils have performed different types of musical patterns using tuned classroom percussion and had the opportunity to create their own patterns. They have also been singing familiar songs, learning how to play some of the different percussion instruments together and learning some dances.

Performing Arts Enrichment

Instrumental Lessons

Haringey Music Service have been continuing to offer one to one piano as well as Drum Kit and Guitar lessons to some of our gifted and talented music pupils. If you would think your child might want to begin one to one lessons on Piano, Drum Kit or Guitar, please contact Miss Emily to discuss further.

Summer Concert 2024

On Thursday 27th June pupils performed in the Summer Concert to a packed and enthusiastic audience. Pupils from across the school were able to showcase their musical talents through class performances, whole school ensembles and solos. The concert featured Class Bands, an orchestra and some beautiful solos on piano and ukulele. In addition, there was a performance from the school choir performance and drumming teacher Ben led pupils in a floor shaking drumming performance. It was a great afternoon of celebrating our pupils' achievements and sharing the joy of music as a school community.

