

GRASMERE PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

Friday 20th November 2023

Dates for your Diary



28th Nov: Year 6 Assembly @9.15am

30th Nov: Year 4 to Tower Bridge

6th December: Aladdin Performance at Hackney Empire Yr 6 @1.30pm- LATE RETURN TO SCHOOL

7th December: Christmas Lunch

8th Dec: Winter Fair @15.30-17.30pm

11th Dec: School of Noise workshop, whole school

12th Dec: EYFS and KS1 Nativity

15th Dec: EYFS & Year 1 to Little Angel Puppet Theatre

18th Dec: Carol Concert and music recital

21st Dec: End of term 1pm finish (last day of school)

22nd Dec-7th Jan: Christmas Holiday

8th Jan: Children Return

Star of the Week!



Week commencing 20.11.2023

London Eye Class	Roman and Jonty
William Morris Class	Alaya and Maaziah
Kew Gardens Class	Daya and Lili
St Paul's Class	
Big Ben Class	Sianna and Jennifer
Tower Bridge Class	Sam and Benjamin
Ally Pally Class	Henry V And Ben
Globe Theatre Class	

Message from Neela

Dear parents and carers,

Four classes visited the Hackney Empire this week for the pantomime and it was a huge success! Thank you to parents who came along to support, as well as those of you who paid for an extra seat. Such generosity in our community, and it is really appreciated. Year 6 will be going in two weeks, and then Early Years and Year 1 will have their trip shortly after that.

I have shown around 3 sets of parent tours this week. We continue to be hugely popular in the local community, many have said that it is current parents recommending so thank you again for that.

Patrick is selling bread today after school, and it looks delicious!



Come and buy a loaf if you can, all proceeds to the school. Have a great weekend,

Neela

Something I noticed this week....

It was an absolute treat to come into the garden late on Thursday evening and see that the garden had been decorated for a WoodCraft Folk Murder Mystery evening!



It was a great reminder of how lucky we are to have this space. Remember as well that it is available to hire outside of school hours, just see the Business Manager for more details.

Parent feedback....

A parent asked me about how we safeguard children particularly when we are out on school trips. Though in school we can control who children come into contact with this is much more challenging on public transport and in public places of interest that we are visiting. We have now added it to the trip notes for parents to be vigilant of the public when helping on trips.

How do we teach about...

Zones of Regulation is a way for children to learn how to recognise their own feelings and also how to regulate themselves. It is a tricky thing to learn but very powerful. You can find out more here:

<https://zonesofregulation.com/>

Every class has a zones table, and we are now implementing the zones outside as well, look out for the signs and coloured benches coming soon. Children might talk to you about being in the blue, green, yellow or red zone, the link will tell you more about what this is.

News from the classes...

Nursery – London Eye class

In London eye class this week we have had fun learning about 'Alliteration'. We played games and joined with the story 'Hippo has a Hat' to help them to explore alliteration and build their phonological awareness.



Reception – William Morris class

It has been a busy week in William Morris Class, full of birds and celebrations. We have been busy learning how to read full sentences and are starting to be able to apply our fantastic reading skills to our sounding out and writing. We learnt the instructions for how to make a bird feeder to keep the wildlife full through the winter and had a go at making our own, developing our fine motor skills with the tricky seeds. For our topic of What Do We Celebrate? we have been learning about different Harvest Festivals. We learnt about the Jewish festival Sukkot, made decorations of fruit prints and loops to decorate our sukkah tent. We also learnt about Thanksgiving and shared all of the things we are thankful for.



Year One – Kew Gardens Class

Year 1 have had a fantastic start to their new topic and we are learning all about where we live. We took a look at some famous London Landmarks and then had a go at sketching them in our sketchbooks. We also learned about the significance of each building and why they are important places in London.



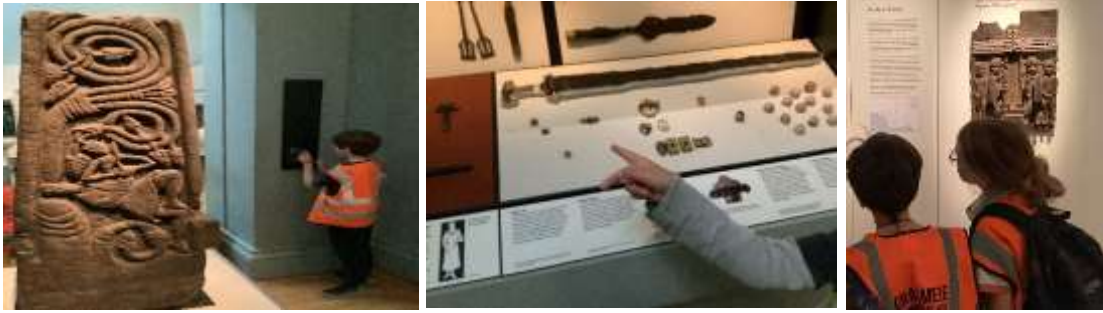
Year Two – St Paul's class

News next week....

Year Three – Big Ben class

This week, Ally Pally class enjoyed their trip to the Hackney Empire to watch Aladdin! Here are some photos of our trip to the British Museum last week, which we also loved! We spent the

morning discovering more, and consolidating our previous knowledge, of the Anglo-Saxon and Viking era. This was followed by peaceful sketching of Benin art in the afternoon.



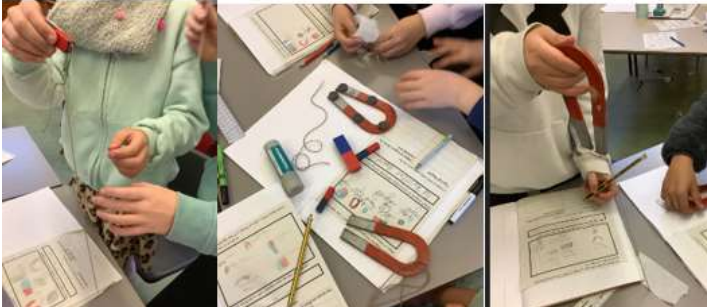
Year Four – Tower Bridge class

We had a brilliant time recording and editing interviews on our favourite animals for a year 4 podcast. We loved using Audacity to help with the recording.



Year Five – Ally Pally class

In Science, we have been testing the strength of different types of magnets. We conducted an experiment using paper clips and string, and recorded our results in a table.



Year Six – Globe Theatre class

News from Kench Hill next week...

Attendance

London Eye	98.9%
William Morris	94.7%
Kew Gardens	96.3%
St Paul's	97.4%
Big Ben	92.0%
Tower Bridge	86.8%
Ally Pally	92.9%
Globe Theatre Class	91.5%
Whole School	93.3%

Call 020 7249 7278 to report your child's absence or late attendance.
Or email: absencehotline@grasmere.hackney.sch.uk

Helpful phone numbers and contacts



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FROGS event calendar



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Teacher Association, see
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