



# GRASMERE PRIMARY SCHOOL

## NEWSLETTER

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2024

### Dates for your Diary



**23<sup>rd</sup> Jan:** Year 6 Assembly @9.10am

**26<sup>th</sup> Jan:** Movie Night from 3.30pm

**30<sup>th</sup> Jan:** Year 5 Assembly @9.10am

**31<sup>st</sup> Jan:** Parent Workshop @9am-How to support your child with Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar, run by Emmy and Shannen

**2<sup>nd</sup> Feb:** Evening dining for parents and carers

**5<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> Feb:** Children's Mental Health Awareness Week, with yoga for all children on the Friday

**6<sup>th</sup> Feb:** Safer Internet Day

**6<sup>th</sup> Feb:** Cross country for the Cross Country team

**6<sup>th</sup> Feb:** Year 4 Assembly @9.10am

**12<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> Feb:** Half-Term (School closed)

**19<sup>th</sup> Feb:** Staff INSET Day, school closed to children

**20<sup>th</sup> Feb:** First day back for children

**27<sup>th</sup> Feb:** Year 2 Assembly @9.10am

**27<sup>th</sup> Feb:** Quiz Night at The Shakespeare @7.30pm

**29<sup>th</sup> Feb:** Relaxed day- all children to bring slipper or slipper socks into school for the day

**1<sup>st</sup> March:** Year 2 Cake sale @3.30pm

**4<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> March:** Book Week

**5<sup>th</sup> March:** Year 1 Assembly @9.10am

**7<sup>th</sup> March:** World Book Day

**10<sup>th</sup> -19<sup>th</sup> March:** Science Week (STEAM Workshop – School time)

### Star of the Week!



Week commencing 15.01.2024

|                      |                           |
|----------------------|---------------------------|
| London Eye Class     | Jonty and Gunes           |
| William Morris Class | Felix O'Shea and Olivia B |
| Kew Gardens Class    | Olivia S & Kian           |
| St Paul's Class      | Cosima and Vincent        |
| Big Ben Class        | Annabelle and Maya        |
| Tower Bridge Class   | Charlie and Rita          |
| Ally Pally Class     | Hughie and Ahmed          |
| Globe Theatre Class  | Rayan and Alice           |

### Message from Neela

Dear parents and carers,  
I joined FROGs for their meeting this morning. It is so heartening to have such a strong group of parents who strive to make each day even better for every child in the school.  
We have some exciting events coming up through both FROGs and school, make sure you update your diary!

We now put news updates onto the website, so please look there if you are wanting to be kept up to date with any news. It is definitely a good place to get class and school news. It's all there on the homepage:

<https://www.grasmere.hackney.sch.uk/>

Thank you also for your help with the tech fundraiser, money is coming in all the time, which is so exciting. Shannen and Emmy are attending the Bett event next week where they will be able to find out even more about good tech for schools.

This week's newsletter features some of our outdoor learning. We build this into every week, and even though the weather has been cold it is beautiful!

Have a good weekend.

Best wishes,

Neela

## *News from the classes...*

### **Nursery – London Eye class**

London Eye Class have been learning to read music with Ken. We followed the symbols on the paper and played along on the drum.



### **Reception – William Morris class**

In William Morris Class we have started to look at a new story for our Writing work. We had an exciting Monday as a girl with a red hood visited us in class and told us she needed to go and visit her Grandmother. We went with her to the woods (school garden) and we had a big surprise. There was wolf in the woods. We then went back to Grandma's cottage (classroom) and found that Grandma was missing. This was a very exciting start to our work this term and it is great that we can build in using the garden and outside area to build the children's understanding of settings and characters in stories. We continued this work in class later in the week making finger puppets so that we could retell the story.





### Year One – Kew Gardens Class

This week Kew Gardens class were being super scientists; making close observational drawings of the different trees in our school garden. We noticed that many were bare and had lost their leaves but a couple still had lots of lush leaves. We learnt the special names for trees that lose their leaves - deciduous and trees that do not lose their leaves in Winter - evergreen.



### Year Two – St Paul's class

In St. Paul's class we have been learning to travel competently and confidently in PE. We have been linking different movements showing contrast in speed.



### Year Three – Big Ben class

This week we have been choosing the best unit of measurement from metres, centimetres and millimetres to measure things.



### Year Four – Tower Bridge class

Well done for another wonderful week year 4. I loved our discussion on digitally altered photos in magazines, you were mature and insightful. We also had a brilliant PE lesson.



### Year Five – Ally Pally class

Ally Pally Class have been wrapping up warm and embracing the cold elements as part of our daily mile routine this week. We love doing the daily mile and find that it really helps to improve our focus and motivation to learn.



### Year Six – Globe Theatre class

Year 6 have had a superb first week back. We have been introduced to ratio, have been learning about classifying animals, and have started our own journey tales. In art, we've been continuing to work on our beautiful migration pieces.





## Attendance

|                     |                          |
|---------------------|--------------------------|
| London Eye          | 93.5%                    |
| William Morris      | 94.6%                    |
| Kew Gardens         | 93.7%                    |
| St Paul's           | 92.0%                    |
| Big Ben             | 95.4% Well done Year 3 ★ |
| Tower Bridge        | 93.6%                    |
| Ally Pally          | 95.1%                    |
| Globe Theatre Class | 93.7%                    |
| Whole School        | 94.0%                    |

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

## Helpful phone numbers and contacts





Disney · PIXAR

# LUCA

**FREE**



For younger kids

## THE GRUFFALO

Nursery Classroom  
3.30

**Friday 26 January - Hall**

Tuck shop from 3.30pm; film starts at 4pm  
Bring your own cushion/onesie/blanket  
Kids have to be accompanied by an adult



# SPRING TERM 2024

## FROGS event calendar





# Calling all Girls & Boys aged 5 years +

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