



Drayton Green Primary School

Newsletter 23.10.26

Whole school attendance this week = **94.7%**

Whole school attendance for the half term = **93.4%**

Well done to **Year 3 and 6G** who had 98% attendance this week. Fantastic!

The class attendance for the term so far is:

Year 2	EYFS	6D	6G	Year 4	SRP	Year 5	Year 3	Year 1
87.3%	90.6%	90.6%	93.4%	94.6%	94.7%	95.8%	95.9%	96%

We have had a very busy half term with lots of exciting activities and events! Next half term will also be packed with activity days, concerts, trips and visits so please make sure you are reading the emails/Dojo messages and letters we send out to make sure your children are prepared and can join in.

The Flu vaccinations went well earlier this week, the children were very sensible and it was a very speedy process. If your child missed their vaccination or you have changed your mind and would like them to receive a vaccination, please contact the school's vaccination team to arrange an appointment.

This round of after school clubs is ending and you should have had letters to sign up for the next half term's clubs. There are still plenty of places in most of our clubs. Please collect a letter from the office or Dojo Mrs Howard for more information.

The letters have been sent home about our upcoming parents' meetings on 25th and 26th November. Please book in a time to speak with your child's class teacher about their progress so far. Please be aware that Year 5 parents' meetings are split over the two days due to the number of children in the class.

We hope that everyone has a restful and safe half term! Please remind your children to be safe around roads and if anyone is planning on trick or treating for Halloween, please make sure an adult is with them at all times and only visit houses or people that you know!

We look forward to seeing everyone back on Monday 2nd November ready for the adventures of the new half term!

Dates for your diaries

We have lots of exciting events and important dates coming up in the next few weeks. Please keep these dates in your diaries so you don't miss a meeting, workshop or dress up day!

Half term holiday – Monday 26th October – Friday 30th October

Monday 9th November – Friday 20th November – Year 4 swimming block sessions

Friday 13th November – Children in Need dress up day (wear spots or yellow)

Monday 16th November – Year 5 and 6 Cyber Choices talk from the Police

Tuesday 17th November – school photographer in school for children's individual photos

Monday 23rd November – Royal Institute Science workshops for KS1 and KS2

Wednesday 25th November – EYFS, Year 1, Year 2 and SRP parent meetings 1:30 – 5:30pm

Thursday 26th November – Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6 parent meetings 1:30 – 5:30pm

Certificate winners

Well done to the children who received a **student of the week** certificate, for their excellent behaviour or attitudes throughout the week!

Well done to the children who received a **citizen of the week** certificate, for being a brilliant role model to others, looking after their belongings, equipment and being kind and caring towards others!

We also have a certificate for **presentation**, which will be awarded to the child in each class who has worked to improve their presentation or who consistently presents their work neatly.

Well done to the children who received a certificate this week for their fantastic effort and achievements!

	Citizen of the week	Student of the week	Presentation
Year 1	Khoshi	Adam M	Kyra
Year 2	Safia	Amjad	Aya
Year 3	Yasen	Mikaeel	Nadine
Year 4	Abdurrahman	Ayman	Dana and Abdulrahman
Year 5	Abdirahman	Jory	Nada
Year 6	Al-Mubin	Aliyah	Mao
Year 6	Silva	Bilal	Maddy
SRP	Joshua	Nolan	Awo

Individual photographs

The school photographer will be coming in to school on **Tuesday 17th November** to take the children's individual photos.

You will be able to buy a copy of these photos directly from the company if you would like to. The children will bring home a QR code that links to the photographer's website. You will need to contact them directly to buy the photographs or if you have any difficulties with ordering or delivery.

Please make sure that your child is wearing their full uniform on the day with a clean jumper and t-shirt.

If you are having a haircut over the holiday, please make sure it is a suitable haircut for school.

Kindness Day and Children in Need 2026

Drayton Green Primary School will be celebrating Kindness Day and Children in Need on Friday 13th November 2026. To celebrate the day, the children are invited to dress in spotty clothes or wear yellow on the day. They will also be enjoying fun activities to promote kindness to others.



From the Head's desk

Dear Families,

As I sit down to write my final Head's desk at the end of a wonderful first half term, I have been reflecting on how much we have achieved together as a school community. Thank you to the pupils, their families and all of my staff for making for a very successful few months and for all of their hard work, including during our recent Ofsted visit.

As you know, we have also been reflecting on how important it is to teach our children not just achieve academically, but to grow into kind, thoughtful and respectful young people. One of the things I spoke to the children about in my assembly earlier this week was the importance of respecting people with disabilities in all their forms.

When we talk about disability, it is important to remember that not all disabilities are visible. Some people may use a wheelchair, a walking aid or other equipment, while others may have difficulties or needs that are not visible. Some people may find communication, social situations, learning or aspects of everyday life more challenging. We should never make assumptions about someone simply because of what we can see.

The message I shared was one that chimes through the corridors and classrooms at Drayton Green: everyone deserves to be treated with respect and to feel valued, included and accepted for who they are. We are all different, and those differences are part of what makes our school community so special. Showing respect means recognising that everyone matters, listening to others, thinking carefully about our words and actions, and understanding that people may need different things to help them succeed and feel that they belong.

At Drayton Green, we want every child to know that they have a place in our community. We want our children to show respect for others, to be kind when someone needs help. This is an important lesson in life. As parents and carers, you can help us by talking at home about disability and respect, challenging stereotypes and helping children to recognise that everyone deserves to be treated with dignity, regardless of their individual needs or differences.

Finally, I would like to say a very fond farewell to Miss Richter, who leaves us to take up her own headship. I would like to congratulate her and thank her for all she has contributed to Drayton Green. We wish her every success and happiness in this exciting new chapter.

I hope you all have a restful and enjoyable half term, with plenty of opportunities to spend time together. We look forward to welcoming everyone back for the next part of the term.

Mr Hammond
Head of School

Head's Challenge

My challenge to the children over half term is this: think about how you can show respect to others every day. Perhaps it is inviting someone to join in a game, being patient when someone needs a little longer, listening carefully to another person's point of view or simply making sure that nobody feels left out. Small acts of kindness and respect can make a huge difference. Those children who bring me some writing, drawing or poster on the subject will receive a prize.



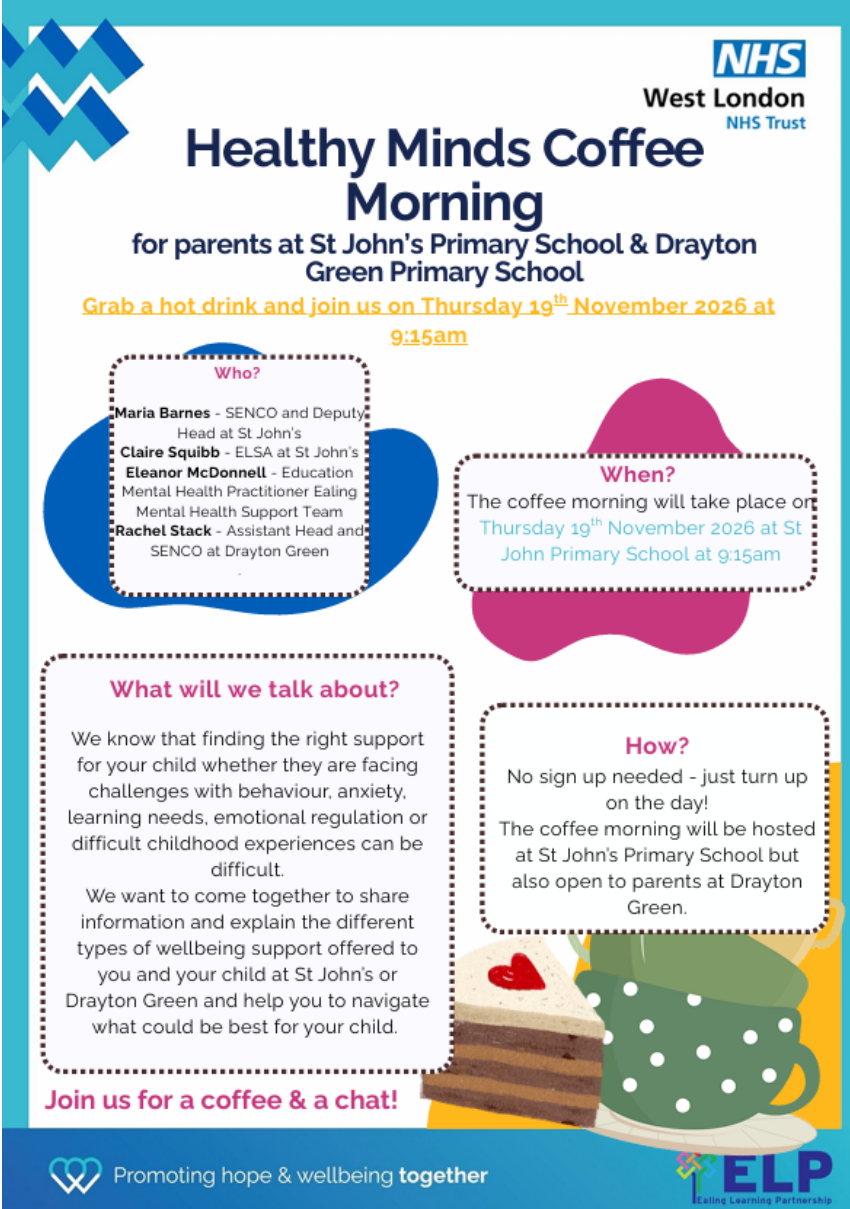
Mental Health Support Team

We will be holding a joint coffee morning with St John's and the Mental Health Support Team (MHST) on Thursday 19th November.

This is a good opportunity to find out what support the MHST and school can offer to parents and children and ask any questions you may have.

The coffee morning will be held at St John's school but all parents and carers from Drayton Green are also welcome to attend.

Please go to the front Office at St John's Primary School for 9:15am if you would like to hear more.



NHS
West London
NHS Trust

Healthy Minds Coffee Morning

for parents at St John's Primary School & Drayton Green Primary School

Grab a hot drink and join us on **Thursday 19th November 2026** at **9:15am**

Who?

- Maria Barnes - SENCO and Deputy Head at St John's
- Claire Squibb - ELSA at St John's
- Eleanor McDonnell - Education Mental Health Practitioner Ealing Mental Health Support Team
- Rachel Stack - Assistant Head and SENCO at Drayton Green

When?

The coffee morning will take place on **Thursday 19th November 2026** at **St John Primary School** at **9:15am**

What will we talk about?

We know that finding the right support for your child whether they are facing challenges with behaviour, anxiety, learning needs, emotional regulation or difficult childhood experiences can be difficult.

We want to come together to share information and explain the different types of wellbeing support offered to you and your child at St John's or Drayton Green and help you to navigate what could be best for your child.

How?

No sign up needed - just turn up on the day!

The coffee morning will be hosted at St John's Primary School but also open to parents at Drayton Green.

Join us for a coffee & a chat!

Promoting hope & wellbeing together

ELP
Ealing Learning Partnership

KS2 London Rocks - 2026



PLAY IN ANY
GAME TYPE!

30MIN TIME LIMIT
PER PERSON!

WINNING CLASS WILL HAVE THE HIGHEST
NUMBER OF CORRECT ANSWERS PER STUDENT!

TIMES TABLES
ROCK STARS



KS2, get your times tables hats on as we are participating in London Rocks in November.

Children from around the country will be answering multiplication questions to earn points for their schools!

It's time to get practising! Log into TTRS and use the Jamming and Garage options to practise your times tables.

We wonder how many other schools we can beat on the leaderboard this year!

New lunch menu

There will be a new lunch menu starting after the holiday.

The meals rotate over 3 weeks and have lots of delicious options for the children to choose from.

This menu is also saved on the school website if you would like to see it in more detail.

WEEK 1 MENU				
DRAYTON GREEN PRIMARY SCHOOL				
Weeks Commencing: 2 nd November 26 23 rd November 26 14 th December 26				
4 th January 27 25 th January 27 8 th March 27				
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Chef's Special Pasta Bolognese	Fragrant Veggie Curry with Coriander Rice & Aromatic Potatoes	Cauliflower & Broccoli Cheese Bake with Roast Potatoes	Margherita Pizza with Cajun Wedges	Quorn Dippers with Chips
Three-Bean Chilli & Rice	Chicken & Sweet Potato Curry with Coriander Rice & Aromatic Potatoes	Chicken & Veggie Pie with Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Piri Piri Chicken Pizza with Cajun Wedges	Salmon or White Fish Fingers with Chips & Ketchup
Sweetcorn & White Cabbage	Peas & Cumin Roast Cauliflower	Carrots & Roasted Courgettes	Sweetcorn & Mediterranean Veggies	Peas & Baked Beans
Frozen Mango Yoghurt	Coconut Cookie	Winter's Eve Pudding	Strawberry Jelly & Peaches	Chocolate Brownie

WEEK 2 MENU				
DRAYTON GREEN PRIMARY SCHOOL				
Weeks Commencing: 9 th November 26 30 th November 26 11 th January 27				
1 st February 27 22 nd February 27 15 th March 27				
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Plant Power Curry with Rice	Creamy Macaroni Cheese & Homemade Garlic Bread	Root Veg & Sage Wellington, Potatoes & Carrots	Cajun Quorn Burger & Potato Wedges	Roasted Veggie & Bean Taco
Yaki Noodles	Chicken Spaghetti Bolognese & Homemade Garlic Bread	Roast Chicken Fillet or Thigh with Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Grilled Chicken Katsu Burger & Potato Wedges	Fish Fingers or Mini Breaded Fish with Chips & Ketchup
Sweetcorn & Roasted Courgette	Carrots & Herby Green Beans	Peas & Roast Parsnip	Mexican Sweetcorn & Roasted Butternut Squash	Baked Beans & Peas
Yoghurt Bar with Toppings	Marble Cake	Apple Crumble & Custard	Vanilla & Peach Sponge	Gingerbread Cookie

WEEK 3 MENU				
DRAYTON GREEN PRIMARY SCHOOL				
Weeks Commencing: 16 th November 26 7 th December 26 18 th January 27				
8 th February 27 1 st March 27 22 nd March 27				
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Rainbow Stir Fry with Rice	Sweet Potato, Pepper & Coconut Curry with Rice	Shepherdess Pie & Gravy	Margherita Pizza with Garlic & Herb Wedges	Cheese & Onion Quiche with Chips
Cheese, Tomato & Basil Pasta Bake	Chicken Keema Curry with Rice	Roast Chicken Fillet or Thigh with Roast Potatoes & Gravy	BBQ Chicken Pizza with Garlic & Herb Wedges	Fish Fingers with Chips & Ketchup
Sweetcorn & Soy Wilted Greens	Aromatic Potatoes & Broccoli	Roasted Root Veggies & Vegetable Medley	Green Beans & Roasted Mediterranean Veggies	Peas & Baked Beans
Yoghurt Bar with Toppings	Chocolate Tiffin	Pear & Chocolate Sponge	Orange Jelly & Mandarins	Oat & Raisin Cookie

Our week at Drayton Green

This is what we have been learning about this week in each year group.

Please use this to speak to your children about what they have been learning and to support them to remember what they have covered each week.

We will also share information and photos on Class Dojo of lovely pieces of work and event or activity days as they happen.

EYFS – Nursery and Reception

Maths

In maths, this week, Nursery children have been practicing one to one correspondence when counting. Reception children have been learning about one more and one less.

English

In English, Nursery children have been exploring the book 'Goldilocks and the Three Bears' and Reception children made their own 'Polar Bear, Polar Bear, What Do you Hear' book using the sentence starter "I am a..."

Art:

The children have been introduced to artists and their artwork. Nursery made their own versions of "The Snail" by Henri Matisse and Reception children looked into the art of Joan Miro and took inspiration from his artwork "Original Abstract Litograph"

Year 1

Maths

This week in maths, we have been learning about addition. We have used our part-whole model and number sentences to add more and add together.

English

In English, this week we have been learning how to write a Non-Chronological report. We have used our recent science topic to look at the different features of this writing, and how we can plan and write our own.

Other Subjects:

Music:

This week in music we have been learning how to compose our own pieces of music. We worked in groups to add different rhythms to a marching beat.

Year 2

Maths

In maths, this week, we have been learning to add across 10 and subtract across 10. We used our 10s frames and counters and the number lines to help us with this process.

English

In English, this week, we have been learning to use expanded noun phrases to describe characters in the three little pigs' story. We also used descriptive language to create a wanted poster.

Other Subjects:

Art

This week, we have been learning about geometric shapes and organic shapes. We have been drawing houses using geometric shapes and we also painted these houses using tints of blue.

Year 3

Maths

In maths, we have been learning how to subtract multiples of 10 from three-digit numbers. We have been developing our mental maths skills by learning to jump back to the previous multiple of 100. To help us do this efficiently, we have been practising our number bonds to 100 and our knowledge of multiples of 10 within 100.

English

In English this week, we have been busy writing our own stories, using our imaginations to develop interesting characters and exciting plots. We have focused on following the correct narrative structure with a clear beginning, build-up, problem, resolution and ending. We have also been working hard to include key features of a narrative.

Other Subjects:

In Music this week, we have been exploring the concept of **off-beat rhythms** through the song *Hound Dog*. The children have been developing their listening skills by identifying the rhythm and noticing how the emphasis can fall between the main beats. They have enjoyed clapping, tapping and moving to the music, helping them to feel and recognise the off-beat rhythm.

It has been a wonderful start to the year, with the class settling into their new routines and classroom environment so well. Thank you so much for all your support throughout this term; it is greatly appreciated. We hope everyone enjoys a restful break, and we look forward to welcoming the children back next term feeling refreshed, re-energised and ready to learn!

Year 4

Maths

In maths, this week, we have been learning to subtract a 4-digit number with one exchange, to select the most efficient method for subtraction and to estimate answers using rounding.

English

In English, this week, we have been learning to recognise key features in a dairy. We also wrote our different ending in our best handwriting and we did a writing assessment.

Other Subjects:

History

This week, we have been learning about how the Ancient Greeks lived in independent city-states, how some people in Athens could vote, that Spartans were famous for being great warriors. To know some events of the Persian Wars and to know who Alexander the Great was

Art

This week, we have been learning about to compare how Caravaggio and Vermeer use tone.

Year 5

Maths

In maths, this week, we have been learning about factors, prime numbers, square numbers and cube numbers.

English

In English, this week, we have been planning and writing non-chronological reports in relation to our Science and History topics. We have written about how humans grow and change throughout their life, and about the ancient city of Baghdad.

Other Subjects:

Art

This week, we have been learning about abstract art. We created our own abstract art paintings using lines, shapes and colour.

Geography

This week, we have been creating a poster about our learning throughout the unit. We included information and pictures on lines of longitude and latitude, scales, relief maps and co-ordinates.

Year 6

Maths

In maths, this week, we have completed our work on addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. The children had their end of unit assessment and we will use this to cover any gaps which we have.

English

In English, this week, we have been exploring the features of poems. We have been inspired by the work of William Blake and our book Skellig to create poems with rhyme and figurative language.

Other Subjects:

Science

This week, we consolidated all of our knowledge with a fact poster about the circulator system

PSHE

This week, we have discussing what good friendships look like and how to act when someone tests your boundaries.

SRP

Maths

In maths, this week, we have been learning about the parts that make up number 8 and 9. We have also continued use tens frames. We continue to break down word problems.

English

In English, this week, we have been reading, Oliver's vegetables. We have been writing sentences about which foods we like and dislike. We have been using adjectives in our sentences.

Phonics

We have been focussing on the sounds n and ay

Other Subjects:

Life skills

We enjoyed making fruit smoothies. We learnt how to follow a recipe.

PSHE

In PSHE, we are learning about emotions and how to help ourselves to regulate.

Art

We enjoyed making sculptures. We made our own Mr. potato using fruit and vegetables

Science

In science, we looked at the 4 seasons. We explored what happens in autumn, what clothes we need to wear and what weather to expect.

We enjoyed lots of sensory learning. We were very excited to play phonics splat with shaving foam. We had a role play of Oliver's garden, using flour and coco powder to dig the vegetables out of the allotment.

Drayton Green Reception Tours



Reception 2027

Open Mornings

A chance to meet the staff and see the school in action!

Tour dates:

Thursday 15th October - 9am
Friday 20th November - 9am
Wednesday 2nd December - 9am
Wednesday 6th January - 9am

Tours will last approximately one hour.
Children are welcome to attend.

To book a tour, please click on the link below :

<https://forms.gle/Chdo9FcCsJ2Yv9m56>

Unable to attend or have any questions?
Please contact our office:

✉ admin@draytongreen.ealing.sch.uk | ☎ 0203 829 8204

Term Dates – 2026/27

Autumn Term 2026

Wednesday 2nd September 2026
Thursday 3rd September 2026
Friday 23rd October 2026

Inset Day - No school for children
First day of school year for children
Last day of half term

Half term: Monday 26th October to Friday 30th October 2026

Monday 2nd November 2026
Thursday 3rd December 2026
Friday 4th December 2026
Friday 18th December 2026

Children return to school
Inset day - No school for children
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Last day of term (2:00pm finish)

Christmas Holiday: Monday 21st December 2026 to Friday 1st January 2027

Spring Term 2027

Monday 4th January 2027
Tuesday 5th January 2027
Friday 12th February 2027

Inset day - No school for children
First day of term for children
Last day of half term

Half term: Monday 15 February to Friday 19th February 2027

Monday 22nd February 2027
Thursday 25th March 2027

Children return to school
Last day of term (2:00pm finish)

Easter Holiday: Friday 26th March to Friday 9th April 2027

Summer Term 2027

Monday 12th April 2027
Monday 3rd May 2027
Friday 28th May 2027

First day of term for children
May Bank Holiday - No school for children
Last day of half term

Half term: Monday 31st May to Friday 4th June 2027

Monday 7th June 2027
Thursday 15th July 2027
Friday 16th July 2027

Children return to school
Last day of school year for children (2:00pm finish)
Inset day - No school for children

Miss Stack's

SENDCo Clinic

Achieving and Thriving: Your SEND Questions Answered



**15 MINUTE APPOINTMENTS AVAILABLE:
MONDAYS 9AM-10AM**

- *discuss child's needs*
- *discuss concerns*
- *support with SEND paperwork*
- *discuss strategies for support at home*

REQUEST A MEETING

senco@draytongreen.ealing.sch.uk 