Drayton Green Primary School

Newsletter 6.11.26

Whole school attendance this week = 91.3**%**

Well done to **6D** who had **98%** attendance this week. Amazing!

6G were very close behind with **97%.** Well done Year 6!

We have had a very positive start to Autumn 2. Thank you to all of the children for their hard work in their new topics – it is so wonderful to see them working so beautifully in class.

We would like to kindly remind you all that it is really important that all children come to school on time. We have noticed that some children are regularly arriving at school after 8:45 and are signing in late. We understand that there is a lot of traffic due to local roads being closed but please make adjustments to ensure that your child arrives on time. It is important that your child has a positive start to the day and it can be upsetting to a child to arrive when everyone has started their lessons and they are missing out of important things, such as phonics. If your child arrives after the school gate has been closed, you **must** bring them to the office to sign in so that we know they are safely in the building. Please do not let your child sign in by themselves or go straight to class if they arrive after 8:45 as the registers have already been taken and we need to record that they are in school for safety reasons.

Next Friday (13th November) we will be celebrating kindness day as well as dressing up for Children in Need. The children can wear **yellow or spotty** clothes and we will be doing lots of activities in school focused on being kind to others. We hope to spread the kindness from school to home and will encourage them to continue the kindness with their family members and friends outside of school.

This weekend there will be lots of fireworks to celebrate Bonfire night and Diwali. Please make sure you supervise your children if you are attending any fireworks displays or using sparklers. Make sure you and your children are keeping safe as fireworks can be extremely dangerous!



We wish all families who are celebrating a very happy Diwali!

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!

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

Thursday 19th November – Federation MHST coffee morning, being held at St John's Primary school

Friday 20th November – Reception Open Morning for children starting Reception in September 2027.

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	Adam A	Yoshua	Muhammad
Year 2	Hasan	Omar	Arya
Year 3	Muhammad	Sabhoor	Sana
Year 4	Year 4 class	Ahmad	Rahman
Year 5	Manasveer	Yusuf A	Patrick
Year 6	Mao	Esther	Amir
Year 6	Bilal	Fatma	Ibrahim
SRP	Filip M	Yanis	Benjamin

Year 4 swimming

Year 4 children will be having a block of intensive swimming lessons from Monday. They will go swimming every afternoon for 2 weeks, from Monday 9th November to Friday 20th November.

If your child is in Year 4, please remember to bring their swimming costume and a clean, dry towel to school every day as we don't want them to miss out on this opportunity!

They will have lunch at school before they go to the swimming pool and will be back in school by 3:15pm for you to collect them at the normal time. If the coach is going to be delayed and the children will be late back to school, we will let the parents know and keep you updated on the children's arrival time, however we aim to have them back at school by 3:15pm each day.

If your child is unwell or unable to go swimming for any reason, please speak to the office or to a member of the Senior Leadership Team.

From the Head's desk

Dear all,

I hope you had a pleasant half term and are enjoying the return to school.

One of the things I enjoy most about being a Head (along with the variety of any given day) is being out and about in school and seeing our children enjoying their learning. I love seeing children sharing ideas, asking questions and working together. There is something special about a classroom where children are happy, settled and completely absorbed in what they are doing. It is an atmosphere we want every child to experience, every day.

This week, I have been thinking about the importance of good behaviour and the role it plays in creating that very environment. At Drayton Green, we firmly believe that high standards of behaviour are fundamental to a successful school. Every child deserves to learn in a calm, safe and purposeful classroom, free from unnecessary disruption. This allows teachers to teach effectively and, most importantly, gives every child the opportunity to make the very best progress.

Good behaviour is about much more than following instructions. It is about kindness, good manners, listening to others and showing respect. At Drayton Green, we have high expectations of our children, and we make no apology for that. We want pupils to take pride in their behaviour, make positive choices and understand that their actions have an impact on those around them. For example, in our recent School Council meetings, the children have decided they would like to recycle more in school and to reward the class with the tidiest room – they know that a calm, orderly classroom is key.

I always say that if children are happy, the rest will fall into place. We want every child to walk through our gates each morning feeling happy, safe and ready to learn. A calm classroom should still be full of curiosity, laughter and enthusiasm, where everyone can concentrate and feel valued so we can build towards further success together.

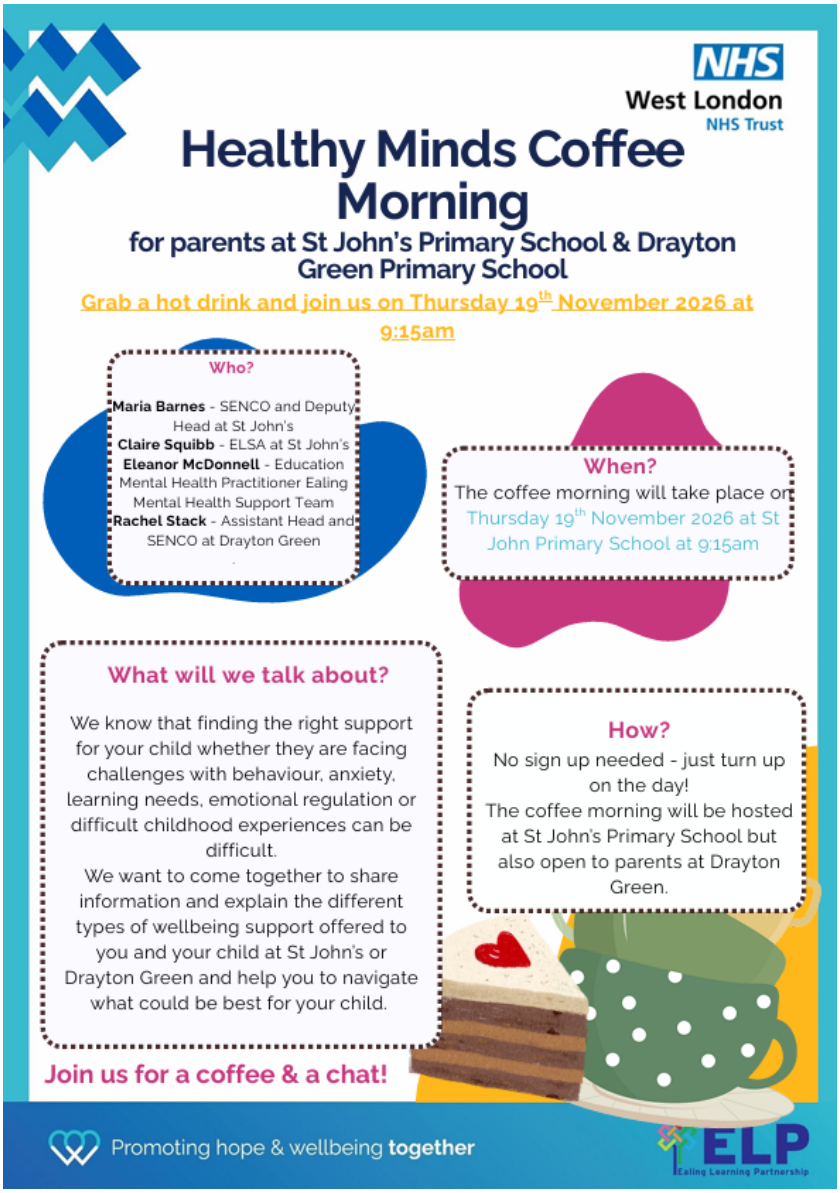
All the best for a relaxing weekend,

Mr Hammond



Events coming up in the next few weeks







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

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



Don't forget to wear yellow or spotty clothes on Friday 13th November to celebrate Children in Need.



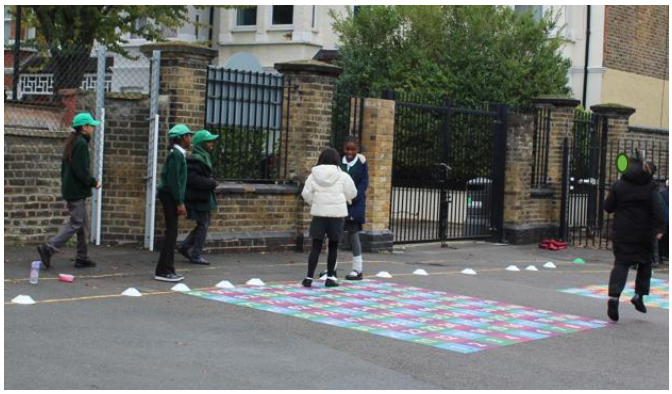
Green caps

Our Green Caps keep going from strength to strength as they support all children to have a safe and happy playtime.

This week, Mr Kaelem, supported our Green Caps to learn a new activity to share with all of the children at playtimes and lunchtimes. The Green Cap team had an amazing time showing this new game to others.

They are looking forward to learning new games throughout the half term to share with the whole of the school.

Thank you to Mr Kaelem for all of your support to make playtimes and lunchtimes fun for all of the children.





School council

The School Council have been working on their ideas to improve Drayton Green and are enjoying their meetings with Mr Hammond. One of their first initiatives to improve the school is to focus on tidying up the classrooms and playground and also to investigate more recycling opportunities in school. They are taking their new responsibilities very seriously and are very professional in the meetings!





Parenting support and courses

EALING PARENTING SERVICE

Ealing parenting service offer a wide range of courses and support for parents that are free to access and help parents or carers with children from babies up to teenagers.

The courses or workshops are delivered online and are free to attend.

Here is a list of the current courses on offer and you can find more information on their website if you would like to know more.

Email parentingserviceadmin@ealine.gov.uk if you would like to register for a course or to get more information

EALING PARENTING SERVICE

FREE PARENTING WORKSHOPS AUTUMN/WINTER 2026-27

Tues 10th NOV	**Understanding Your Teenager**	*Delivered by Sabrina Meakins - SAFE Counselling via MS Teams 10:30am-12:30pm*
Tues 17th NOV	**Emotion-Based School Non-Attendance**	*Delivered by MHST / School Nursing / HIT / Springhallow via MS Teams 10am-12pm*
Tues 24th NOV	**Different Strokes: Fatherhood Across Cultures**	*Delivered by Derek Willis - Ealing Parenting Service via MS Teams 10am-12pm *men only session*
Tues 1st DEC	**Domestic Abuse, Parenting & You**	*Delivered by Pat Chapman - SAFE West via MS Teams 10am-12pm*
Tues 8th DEC	**Ealing 0-18 Service: Health & Wellbeing**	*Delivered by Health Visiting/ School Nurses/ Healthy Families via MS Teams 10am-12pm*
Tues 15th DEC	**Fatherhood Through Complexity (SEN)**	*Delivered by Derek Willis - Ealing Parenting Service via MS Teams 10am-12pm *men only session*
Tues 17th DEC	**Managing Conflict**	*Delivered by Chris Kolade - Ealing Parenting Service via MS Teams 10:30am-12:30pm*
Tues 19th JAN	**Building Healthier Relationships - Part 1**	*Delivered by Chris Kolade - Ealing Parenting Service via MS Teams 10:30am-12:30pm*
Tues 26th JAN	**Building Healthier Relationships - Part 2**	*Delivered by Chris Kolade - Ealing Parenting Service via MS Teams 10:30am-12:30pm*
Tues 9th FEB	**Helping Children Understand Separation & Divorce**	*Delivered by Chris Kolade - Ealing Parenting Service via MS Teams 10:30am-12:30pm*

FREE
online parenting workshop

NHS

EMOTIONALLY-BASED SCHOOL NON-ATTENDANCE

Delivered by:
Ealing School Nursing Team

This workshop will help parents and carers understand Emotionally Based School Non-Attendance (EBSNA), recognise early signs and understand the support available in Ealing. Short presentations will include:

- what EBSNA is, early signs, and practical tips to help parents explore and support anxiety with their child.
- the Ealing context and what is being done locally to support EBSNA.
- support through schools, the importance of communication and collaboration, and the impact of SEND and available support.
- how School Nursing can support families when they are concerned or unsure what may be affecting their child, how to refer, and the support the service can offer.
- MHST: how to access support where anxiety or emotional wellbeing needs have been identified, what support may look like, and further signposting where appropriate.

Tuesday, 17th November 2026
10am-12pm
via MS Teams

email parentingserviceadmin@ealing.gov.uk to register or for more info

London Borough of Ealing

SUPPORTIVE ACTION FOR FAMILIES IN EALING

EALING PARENTING SERVICE

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 recognising numbers 1 and 2. Reception children have been learning about circles and triangles.

English
In English, we read the book "The Three Billy Boats Gruff". Nursery children have been recalling the characters and the setting of the story. Reception children have been practicing to read and write the sentence starter "I am the…"

Understanding of the World:
The children have been introduced to our new topic this term: Transport and Journeys

Year 1

Maths
This week, we continued our Place Value unit, learning how to find a missing part using both addition and subtraction. We used practical resources, including part-whole models and ten frames, to represent our thinking and help us solve problems.

English
This week in English, we explored our new class text, *Peace at Last* by Jill Murphy. We developed our understanding of new vocabulary, sequenced key events from the story and worked in groups to orally retell the story.

Other Subjects:
PSHE:
This week in PSHE, we explored what goals are and how to set achievable targets for ourselves. Each student identified an individual goal to work towards, which we will revisit each week to reflect on their progress.

Year 2

Maths
In maths, this week, we have been learning to subtract across 10. We used our number lines, tens frames and hundred squares to help us.

English
In English, this week, we have been learning to use expanded noun phrases, statements and coordinating conjunctions to describe pictures from the 3 little pigs.

Other Subjects:
History
This week, we have been learning about the Romans. We also discussed primary and secondary sources and spoke about what is history?

Year 3

Maths
We have been learning to use the formal written method for addition, including exchanging. We have focused on the importance of starting with the ones column and working methodically from right to left. We have also been practising remembering to add any exchanged tens when moving on to the tens column. We are developing our confidence and accuracy when using this method!

English
We have explored the characters in Goldilocks *and the Three Bears* by creating our own artwork, using the illustrations in the book as inspiration. We also took part in an exciting hot seat activity, where we stepped into the shoes of the different characters from the story. We had to think carefully about each character's perspective and imagine how they would respond to a range of questions. In another lesson, we brought the story to life by acting it out, thinking carefully about the key events and the different characters.

Other Subjects:
In PSHE this week, we have started our new unit, *What Are Healthy Habits and Why Are They Important?* We began by exploring the Eatwell Guide and learning about the different food groups and how they help to keep our bodies healthy. We also discussed the importance of staying hydrated and why drinking plenty of water is essential for our health and wellbeing.

Year 4

Maths
In maths, this week, we have been learning to know how to make numbers 10 times greater by multiplying by 10. To know how to make numbers 100 times greater by multiplying by 100.

English
In English, this week, we have been learning to identify the features of a setting description, as well as similes, metaphors and prepositions in a setting description.

Other Subjects:
Science
This week, we have been learning about how animals and plants are classified into groups such as vertebrates and invertebrates.
Art
This week, we have been learning about Millet's painting The Gleaners. The children looked at how Millet used space in his painting to show the distance between the ladies at the front and the people in the background.

Year 5

Maths
In maths, this week, we been continuing with our multiplication and division unit. We learnt about multiplying and dividing by 10, 100 and 1,000.

English
In English, this week, we have been learning about our new text for this term, 'The Watertower' by Gary Crew. We have focused on genre, ordering events, summarising and creating setting descriptions.

Other Subjects:
Art
This week, we have started our new unit on Islamic art and architecture. We have learnt about calligraphy, vegetal designs and geometric designs. This knowledge helped us to create star tile designs.
Geography
This week, we started our new unit on mountains. We have focused on the link between tectonic plates and where mountains are located around the world. The students also located famous mountains, such as Mount Everest, on a map.

Year 6

Maths
In maths, this week, we have been reviewing fractions and how we can simplify them and compare them.

Next week, we will be having Mock SATs tests to help us to get ready for the tests in May

English
In English, this week, we started our new book Cloud Busting. We were inspired by this incredible book of poems to write a narrative based on the story. We used figurative language and expanded noun phrases to write detailed narrative openings.

Other Subjects:
Art
This week, we started our new topic – Renaissance Architecture and Sculpture. We learnt about the Florence Cathedral and created line drawings in our books.
Geography
This week, we began to learn about classification of living things. We learnt the difference between plant cells and animal cells and drew detailed diagrams into our books.

SRP

Maths
In maths, this week, we have been learning about what parts make 8 and 9. We have been learning to use number lines
We continue to break down word problems.

English
In English, this week, we have been reading, Whatever next. We have been selecting the appropriate adjective for the object. We have also put the narrative into a sequence.
Phonics
We have been focussing on the sounds ee and p

Other Subjects:
Life skills
We have been learning how to cross the road safely.
PSHE
In PSHE, we are learning about healthy food and how to keep our bodies healthy.
ART
We enjoyed making marble paintings. We chose a planet to paint.
Science
In science, we looked at the 4 seasons and the seasonal changes.

Some of the SRP children enjoyed learning to cross the road, safely at the zebra crossing.
This term, we are learning about space. We have enjoyed many, learning sensory trays where we have explored the planets and Earth's moon.

Drayton Green Reception Tours

Drayton Green Primary School

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	**Inset Day - No school for children**
Thursday 3rd September 2026	First day of school year for children
Friday 23rd October 2026	Last day of half term

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

Monday 2nd November 2026	Children return to school
Thursday 3rd December 2026	**Inset day - No school for children**
Friday 4th December 2026	**Inset day - No school for children**
Friday 18th December 2026	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	**Inset day - No school for children**
Tuesday 5th January 2027	First day of term for children
Friday 12th February 2027	Last day of half term

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

Monday 22nd February 2027	Children return to school
Thursday 25th March 2027	Last day of term (2:00pm finish)

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

Summer Term 2027

Monday 12th April 2027	First day of term for children
Monday 3rd May 2027	**May Bank Holiday - No school for children**
Friday 28th May 2027	Last day of half term

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

Monday 7th June 2027	Children return to school
Thursday 15th July 2027	Last day of school year for children (2:00pm finish)
Friday 16th July 2027	**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

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