



Newsletter

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#shineatpriorweston

Virtual tour @ <https://bit.ly/32RoLWi>

#unitedagainstbullying

We aim high * We are resilient * We are curious learners * We value diversity * We are respectful

Dear Prior Weston families,

It seems that autumn is well and truly upon us and with that, increasingly unpredictable weather. Please ensure your child has a jacket for school every day, even if it is sunny when they leave home in the morning. If you are struggling with the cost of new clothes for the colder weather, help yourself to the supply of extras from the cupboards in the foyer. Also, we have even more surplus clothing stored away so do speak to one of us if you have any need. If your child comes in wearing wellies, please also give them some shoes to change into. Although great for wet weather, they are not very comfy to wear all day.

We are having our annual Macmillan Coffee Morning on Thursday 10th October so please get baking. As well as raising funds for a great cause, it's also a fabulous way to meet other parents. I would encourage any of our new families to come along and get to know the school community, as well as our existing families. Danielle, our Bright Futures support worker, will also be coming along – she is a great source of support and advice and is also starting fortnightly drop in coffee mornings on the 22nd October. There will also be a cake sale after school on the 10th, and maybe the 11th too if there are still cakes left.

As you will already know, from Tuesday November 5th we will no longer be opening the Whitecross Street entrance during the day. The Fortune Park entrance will be in use from 8am – 4pm, and the Whitecross Street entrance from 4 – 6pm. This will better help us to manage the safety and security of the site and your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

Please remember that next Friday 4th October is an INSET day – the school will be closed to all pupils in both the school and Children's Centre.

Wishing you all a safe and happy weekend.

Fiona 😊

Head Teacher



Bright Futures - Support for Families with Children 5-19 Years Old

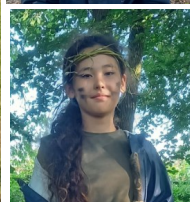
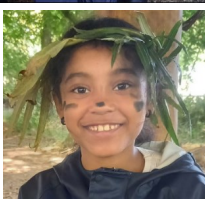
Hi, my name is Danielle Sweeting, I am one of the Education Support Practitioners for Bright Futures. I wanted to introduce myself as I will soon be a familiar face working at Prior Weston School (PWS). My involvement at PWS will be as the Bright Futures School Link Worker.

Please see more information on page 5.





FARMS FOR CITY CHILDREN









Bright Futures - Support for Families with Children 5-19 Years Old



Bright Futures, the Islington Early Help Service (previously known as Families First), offers a range of support to Islington families with children/young people aged 5-19 years old, within schools and the local community.

I am linking with PWS to help students and their parents/carers access family support. The support will be flexible and tailored to the needs of students and their families.

The aim of my involvement will be to support students and families as soon as any concerns or difficulties arise, to help resolve things as soon as possible. No issue is too big or too small, so feel free to come and have a chat with me!

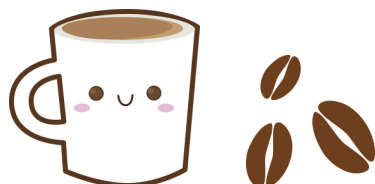
Some ways I can help:

Everybody needs a little help sometimes. If you're feeling worried about your child or would like to make a change in your life, Bright Futures is here for you and your family:

- Advice and guidance with parenting or familial conflict.
- Help with your child's education and learning.
- Support around health and wellbeing.
- Support and guidance with benefits, employment, and training.
- Help connecting with/accessing support within the local community.
- Or just a friendly chat!

I am planning to run workshops, coffee mornings, and drop-in sessions at school for students, parents and staff. However, I wanted to find out what kind of support you would be interested in receiving, to ensure the sessions are helpful. I would love to hear your ideas around what would be useful for me to cover and how you would like this to be delivered. If possible, please complete the short survey attached to this newsletter.

Please see the below dates for our fortnightly coffee morning:



Tuesday 22nd October

Tuesday 5th November

Tuesday 19th November



DIGITAL PARENTING

SECONDARY SCHOOL READY? POINTERS FOR FAMILIES CONVERSATIONS ABOUT SAFETY

- Real online harm
- Use security settings
- Use and watch good tech
- Form good habits



A FREE Online Safety session is being run for families on Thursday October 10th from 6pm-7pm.

It is being run by Katy Potts (Islington Digital Leader) and the Islington Parental Support project.

Please book your spot here: [Digital Parenting Tickets, Thu, Oct 10, 2024 at 6:00 PM | Eventbrite](#)

Meet the teacher dates

Monday 30 th September	Y5 Parliament & Trafalgar at 9:10am
Tuesday 1st October	Y1 Barbican at 9:10am
Wednesday 2nd October	Y6 Tower & Westminster at 9:10am Y3 Piccadilly at 9:10am Reception class at 3:40pm
Thursday 3rd October	Y2 St Paul's at 9:10am
Wednesday 9th October	Y4 Kew at 9:10am

Year 5 Science



wood



metal

During our science lesson, we had the exciting opportunity to take our learning outdoors. We explored various objects made from materials like wood, plastic, and metal, drawing and noting our observations. Partnering up, we collaborated to complete the tasks together.



fabric



plastic



concrete



rubber



ceramic



glass

It's time for Coffee Morning and you're invited



Come along to our Coffee Morning

I'm hosting my Coffee Morning to raise money for Macmillan. There's a cuppa with your name on it.

When: **Thursday 10th October 2024**

Where: **Prior Weston primary school**

We will be holding two cake sales, one in the morning and one at the end of the day

From: **9:30am Main hall**

More info: **Please join us for a tea & cakes, a chance to meet other parents**



Macmillan Cancer Support, registered charity in England and Wales (26907), Scotland (SC039907) and the Isle of Man (804). Also operating in Northern Ireland. MAC19622_01

MACMILLAN CANCER SUPPORT



Every penny we raise means Macmillan can be right there for more people living with cancer.





Programme details

Islington Council's Bright Futures service are pleased to introduce our latest programme. The details are as follows:

Location: Jean Stokes Community Centre, Carnoustie Drive, N1 0DX

Start Date: Friday 13th September 2024. The course runs for 13 weeks (term time only).

Time: 10.00am - 1.00pm

Facilities: Refreshments and light meal provided.

To book a space please contact:

Rodase Begashaw

E-mail: rodase.begashaw@islington.gov.uk

Parenting programmes: parentingprogrammes@islington.gov.uk

For more information contact the Bright Futures Helpline on 020 7527 4343.



A free inclusive course to help parents and carers raise happy confident children all ages from babies to teens



strengthening families
strengthening communities

About the programme

This is a popular parenting programme for anyone raising children. We welcome parents and carers from all backgrounds who would like to work on their parenting skills and build positive relationships with their children.



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I loved the programme and will ask my friends and relatives to go as well.

I found it very supportive being part of a group and sharing ideas with other parents.



I spend more time with my mum and we communicate better

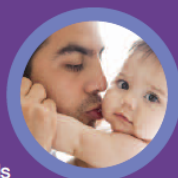
SFSC runs for three hours a week for 12 weeks. Some groups provide free childcare and refreshments. There is also an introductory session where you can find out more. Just come along, bring a friend or partner if you prefer, and see if it's for you!



I feel calmer about dealing with my children on a day-to-day basis. I don't get angry as quickly.

The course will help you to

- **Build** positive family relationships
- **Manage** anger and stress
- **Implement** effective discipline strategies
- **Gain** confidence and communication skills
- **Understand** your child's development
- **Recognise** and value your family and cultural traditions
- **Meet** others and share ideas



All groups end with a celebration.

You will receive a certificate and a parent manual.





Whitecross street
entrance will not be in
use after half term.



For **Prior Weston
and the Children's
Centre** use the
entrance in **Fortune
Park between
8:00am & 4:00 pm**



Celebration Assembly

13th September 2024

Our shining stars were:

St Pauls– Jamie & Teddy

Piccadilly– Adem & Indiana

Kew– Charlyn & Parker

Parliament- George & Amirah

Trafalgar– Ismail & Jasmine

Westminster– Jason & George W

Tower– Peter & Beau

Celebration Assembly

20th September 2024

Our shining stars were:

St Pauls– Isla-Mae & Emillia

Piccadilly– Sienna & Sudais

Kew– Nancy- & Tony-Lee

Parliament- Kento & Emily

Trafalgar– Alhaji & Antonia

Westminster– All of Y6

Tower– All of Y6

This week's Shining Stars results to be announced today. See next edition.

Health & Wellbeing Clinic dates

The next health and wellbeing clinics with a school nurse have been scheduled for the dates below:

26th November 2024

28th January 2025

18th March 2025

13th May 2025

25th June 2025

NHS

Whittington Health
NHS Trust

Whittington Health NH S
Islington School Nursing Services
Highbury Grange Health Centre
1-5 Highbury G range
London N5 2QB

Telephone: 020 3316 8021

Dates for your Diary

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Friday 4th October	INSET Day
Wednesday 9th October	Meet the teacher– Y4 Kew at 9:10am & Year 7 Tea Party 5-5.45pm
Thursday 1th October	Tower & Westminster Class assembly
Monday 28th October-Friday 1st November	Half Term
November 2024	
Monday 4th November	INSET Day
Wednesday 6th November	Conover Hall Presentation to Year 5 Parents– 5pm
Wednesday 6th November	Tempest Photography– Individuals & Sibling photos
Thursday 14th November	Parent Meetings
Thursday 14th November	Trafalgar class assembly (parent farm presentation afterwards)
Thursday 21st November	Parliament class assembly (parent farm presentation afterwards)
Thursday 28th November	Piccadilly class assembly
December 2024	
Thursday 5th December	Kew class assembly
Friday 13th December	Christmas Jumper Day & Christmas Lunch
Wednesday 18th December	Class Parties & Festive performance at 2pm
Thursday 19th December	Festive performance at 9:30am
Friday 20th December	End of Term-2pm finish