

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

Dear Prior Weston families,

At the time of writing this newsletter, the Children's Centre are preparing for an Ofsted inspection! We got 'the call' yesterday at lunchtime that they were visiting today – Friday 23rd May. We are very proud of our dedicated team and the work we do every day to support families. We look forward to the inspection as an opportunity to showcase our strengths. We are now five sixths through the school year and it has been another learning packed half term!

Very sadly, today we say a fond farewell to lovely Lily (or Liv) in the admin team. Lily joined us permanently in April 2021 but did some time before for a few months with an agency. I first met Liv when she was a primary school pupil and am really proud of the young woman she has become. She is moving on to a new challenge as an office manager closer to where she recently moved to, out of London. I am sure you join me in wishing Liv every success in her future career – we are really going to miss her.

We also say cheerio for now to Mahmuda who finishes today for maternity leave – we will be seeing her again, and wish her all the best for her new arrival.

Don't forget that the school has INSET on Monday 2nd June and we look forward to welcoming you all back on Tuesday 3rd.

Wishing all a safe and happy half term! 😊

Fiona HT



Save the date! Sunday 6th July

RUN KIDS RUN

Dates for your Diary

May 2025	
Monday 26th– Friday 30th May	Half Term break
June 2025	
Monday 2nd June	School INSET day
Friday 20th June	St Paul's Assembly at 9:15am
Wednesday 25th June	Class Photos
Friday 27th June	Kew Class Assembly at 9:15am
July 2025	
Sunday 6th July	
Thursday 17th July	2:00pm– Y6 Production 6:00pm– Y6 Production
Friday 18th July	Y6 Sleepover
Tuesday 22nd July	1:00pm – Y6 leavers assembly

Arsenal training session

We were thrilled with the number of enthusiastic applications for this training session, each one was thoughtful and showed genuine passion and excitement. It was clear how much this opportunity meant to our pupils. We're incredibly proud of all the children who took the time to enter, and we will continue to look out for exciting experiences like this to share with our pupils.



Who was Jean Joseph Merlin?

Our year 4's have been very busy writing a newspaper report on who Jean Joseph Merlin really was. The below extracts have been chosen from **Elianna and Parker's** reports. Well Done!

Parker

'Merlin was an inventor, some of Merlin's inventions are still around today like the silver swan, it works after 300 years later! His favourite thing was to make automatic things like he designed the wheelchair and roller-skates. Without him we would not have the wheelchair today. Merlin also inspired people to make his invention better. The way we found out about Merlin was because of **Thomas Gainsborough** from his art work'



Elianna

'Jean-Joseph Merlin was a mechanical engineer from the 18th Century. He was very fascinated by automaton, one of this most famous marvellous invention was the skeleton clock. The clock is structured to be a like a skeleton and if you look closely you can see the screws. Merlin cared about people and he was a very wise, compassionate man to be around and he cared for the world to be a better place. Merlin really wanted a better place so let's make it one'



Celebration Assembly

25th April 2025

Our shining stars were:

Barbican– Alex R & Samuel

St Pauls– Jannat & Nadira

Piccadilly– Freddie & Seanna

Kew– Nisan & Khalid

Parliament- Brooke & Alisha

Trafalgar– Mohamed & Cielo

Westminster– Jason & Macey

Tower– Beau & Zaky

Celebration Assembly

2nd May 2025

Our shining stars were:

Barbican– Callie & Josiah

St Pauls– Ted & Danny

Piccadilly– Indiana & Adem

Kew– On a trip- see next edition

Parliament- Emily & Cairon

Trafalgar– Meherajul & Joshua

Westminster– Kai & Lucy-Mae

Tower– Seyi & Daniel

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:

25th June 2025

NHS

Whittington Health
NHS Trust

Whittington Health NHS
Islington School Nursing Services
Highbury Grange Health Centre
1-5 Highbury Grange
London N5 2QB

Telephone: 020 3316 8021

Issues in Fortune Park

With the days getting longer and the weather improving, you may well be spending more time outdoors. As with any issues that might occur externally, please do note whilst we will support where we can, the school does not have the capacity to manage disagreements that may take place in Fortune Park. If you do experience issues, you may wish to contact the parks or community police directly. To report antisocial behaviour, you may find the following link useful:

<https://www.islington.gov.uk/physical-activity-parks-and-trees/parks-and-green-space/managing-parks-and-green-space/tell-us-about-a-problem-in-a-park>



Lovely Letter



25th April 2025

The lovely letter goes to Y2

Shelby

What can I tell you about the amazing Shelby?

She brings joy wherever she goes. Her hard work, kind heart and respectful nature shines through in everything that she does. Whether that is helping a friend, listening with care or giving her very best effort. Shelby always shows how thoughtful and generous she is by giving 100% to everything and everyone. Her kindness and dedication inspires those around her.

I am very proud of you Shelby, it is a joy to have you in my class and I am very lucky to be your teacher! Well done :)



2nd May 2025

The lovely letter goes to Y3

Freddie

You have been awarded this letter because everyone in the class has witnessed how you have grown throughout the year. You have shown yourself to be an eager student, who is always ready for learning. You engage in all activities in a positive and thoughtful manner and you make a caring and supportive partner when working with others. The way that you have now developed into becoming an independent learner, with a fantastic "I can do attitude" It is great to see you following instructions and being a great helper in the class, these are all commendable traits. Well done, Freddie.



Hot Chocolate with the Head Teacher



Tower: Latika- her determination, drive and effort is phenomenal! No matter what the lesson or task is, you can guarantee that Latika will give it 100%. Not only that but she is also a really supportive friend and classmate. This can be seen both in and out of the classroom. She is happy to help where needed and will always offer to support her peers. Such fantastic qualities that benefit her through life.

Westminster: Daisy-May- Daisy is showing such a fantastic attitude to her learning. She is so motivated to succeed and listens to suggestions on how to improve and loves challenging herself. She is also a caring and kind person who is a fantastic play buddy to younger children. She is supportive and friendly and is always happy to help her friends with whatever they need.

Parliament: Alisha- She is a pupil who consistently strives for excellence in all that she does, whether she's going on a trip, supporting her peers, or playing a musical instrument with dedication. She embodies the values of being READY, RESPECTFUL, and SAFE at all times, both in and out of the classroom. Thank you for being a shining example and a positive role model to your peers and others—so proud of you, keep it up!

Trafalgar: Sol - Just like her name, Sol is a true ray of sunshine in Trafalgar Class. It has been the ultimate pleasure teaching such a kind, dedicated, and hard-working pupil. What I've loved most is her passion for reading and how beautifully she applies this to her learning—especially in English. From giving thoughtful answers to reading questions to producing fantastic pieces of writing throughout the year, Sol has made incredible progress. You are a true superstar—well done!

Westminster- Mohammed- Well done Mohammed, this term you have really improved your attendance, a well deserved hot chocolate, keep it up!



BBQ fundraiser

Raising money to take our Neurodivergent students on a life changing trip to Mallorca

Thursday 12 June 2025

2.30pm-6.00pm



Location: The Courtyard
St Mary Magdalene
Church Gardens
N7 8LT

**ALL WELCOME
FAMILY & FRIENDS**
£10 Entry
(incl. BBQ & soft drink)

Whats on:

- DJ
- Clothes & Jewellery Stalls
- Art
- Splash The Teacher
- Games
- Cocktails & Mocktails
- Cakes
- Live Caricature drawing

gofundme

