

AMINGTON HEATH PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Punctuality – A Great Start to Every Day

A huge thank you for continuing to support good punctuality this term.

Arriving on time helps children start the day calmly and confidently, ready for learning and play. It also builds strong habits of responsibility and resilience that benefit them throughout school life.

If morning routines are ever challenging, please speak to us—we're here to help.

Your support truly makes a difference every day.

Safeguarding Focus: Attendance Matters

Staying safe online is an important part of keeping children protected.

On Safer Internet Day, pupils learned how to make sensible choices online, use privacy settings and show **responsibility** and **empathy** when **communicating** with others.

We encourage families to keep these conversations going at home. If you'd like advice on supporting safe internet use, please speak to us—we're always here to help.



Reflecting on a Brilliant Half Term

This half term has been full of energy, learning and joyful moments at Amington Heath. The children have shown real **positivity** and **responsibility** in everything they have taken part in.

Year Five and Year Six began the term with Magical drama workshops, which encouraged brilliant **communication, teamwork and self-awareness** as they explored characters and built confident performances. Story Telling Week was another highlight, with every class adding to a whole-school adventure. The final story reflected the children's creativity and their **respect** for each other's ideas.

Safer Internet Day gave pupils the chance to think carefully about online choices. They showed thoughtful **empathy** and a strong understanding of how to stay safe. Our maths open classrooms were also very well attended, and the children demonstrated real **excellence** as they shared their learning with families.

TTR Rockstar and Numbots Day brought a wonderful buzz to the school. The costumes were fantastic and the day was full of **resilience** and enthusiasm as children tackled number challenges with confidence.

Year Four enjoyed an exciting visit to Cadbury World, learning about chocolate production and showing superb behaviour throughout the day. We were also very proud of the pupils who represented Amington Heath at the Tamworth school swimming gala. They showed **determination, courage** and superb **teamwork**.

Thank you to all children, staff and families for a rewarding and successful half term. We look forward to more learning and memorable experiences ahead.

Warm regards,
Mrs C. Davies
Headteacher

Staffing Update

We are saying goodbye to Mrs Holmes, who has been with us a short time. We thank her for her contribution and wish her well for the future.

We also say farewell to Mrs Shakespeare, who has been a much-loved part of Amington Heath for many years. She has been missed during her illness, and we send her our very best wishes.

Finally, we are pleased to welcome Mrs Brown, who will be supporting across Key Stage One and Key Stage Two. We look forward to her joining our team.

SEND Focus: Learning Needs

Children develop emotional and social skills at different stages. Some pupils may need extra support to manage feelings, build friendships, or feel confident in new situations.

At Amington Heath, we use strategies such as calm spaces, worry boxes and small-group sessions to help children understand their emotions and feel secure. Our aim is to promote **resilience**, **positivity** and **self-awareness**, ensuring every child feels supported and ready to learn.

If you have concerns about your child's emotional or social needs, please contact our SENDCo – Mrs Fennelly.

Diary Dates

Monday 23rd February – School opens to all pupils

Year 6 SATS stress buster workshop

Wednesday 25th February – Parents Evening

Thursday 26th February – Y6 parents SATS workshop 9am

Monday 2nd February – Year 3 trip to MAD Museum and Butterfly Farm

Thursday 5th February – World Book Day

9th – 13th March – Science Week

Monday 9th March – Year 5 trip to Belgrave Fire Station

– Year 5 Sleep Works

Wednesday 18th March – Reception trip to Sealife Centre

Tuesday 24th March – Toddler and Crawl

– Y3 Eid Assembly 2.30pm

Wednesday 25th March – N1 and 2 Farm visiting school

– Y5 Easter Assembly 2.30pm

Thursday 26th March – Reception and Y1 Fruit Pizza workshop

Friday 27th March – INSET – School closed to all pupils

1st – 10th April – Easter Holiday

TBC: Y3/4 trip to Hindu Temple

Children start back on Monday 13th April

After School Clubs



MONDAY – Multi-Sports KS1

TUESDAY – TTRS/Numbots

WEDNESDAY – Dance

THURSDAY – Film

FRIDAY – Board Games

All after schools clubs run from 3.15–4.15pm.

All clubs are now £2 per child per session.

However, if your child is in receipt of pupil premium this will subsidised and there will be no cost for your session.

We are no longer running our extended session to 6pm due to lack of demand.

All after school clubs **MUST** be booked on ParentPay.

Meet Our Climate Crew

We are proud to introduce our Climate Crew – pupils who care deeply about the environment and help our school make thoughtful, sustainable choices. They show what it means to be **responsible**, **respectful**, **and ready** to take action, supporting our whole community to look after the planet.

Roman	Lisa	Zuzanna	Markus
Ronnie	Alara	Renny	Maya
Sonny	Toyosi	Sophia	Azariyah

The Climate Crew have been leading the creation of our whole-school Climate Action Plan, sharing ideas on reducing waste, saving energy, and improving our outdoor spaces. Their dedication and **positivity** are helping us make real, meaningful changes.

They also suggest practical ways we can all be more eco-friendly, including:

- Reducing waste and recycling carefully
- Encouraging sensible energy use in classrooms
- Finding opportunities to protect wildlife and nature

After half term, they will begin planting new hedgerows to support biodiversity and make our school grounds even greener. Their role promotes **teamwork** and **responsibility**, showing how small actions can make a big difference.

WORLD BOOK DAY

@ AMINGTON HEATH PRIMARY SCHOOL

THURSDAY, 5TH MARCH



READING BREAKFAST

9:00 AM

JEMISON



DARWIN



TENZING



SHACKLETON



Join these classes for stories & morning treats!



READING AFTERNOON TEA

2:15 PM

ZHENG



MAGELLAN



EARHART



Relax with a book & brew with these classes!

DRESS UP AS YOUR FAVOURITE BOOK CHARACTER!



Talking bear!

Come in costume and share the magic of reading all day!

Half Term Heroes

Each half term, we take a moment to celebrate pupils who have truly shone. These awards recognise not just achievement, but the values that make Amington Heath such a special place – excellence, kindness, resilience and positivity.

Shining Star Award

for someone who has stood out through effort, attitude or achievement.



Little Learners - Rajwyn
Nursery 2 - Olivia
Reception - Florence
Year 1 - Lisa
Year 2 - Casey
Year 3 - Oscar
Year 4 - Jax
Year 5 - Olivia
Year 6 - Kemi

Brilliant Bookworm Award

for a pupil who has shown a love of reading and made fantastic progress.



Little Learners - Nancy
Nursery 2 - Jack
Reception - Noah
Year 1 - Amelia
Year 2 - Frank
Year 3 - Zoha
Year 4 - Freddie
Year 5 - Rayden
Year 6 - Darcie

Kindness Ambassador

for a pupil who has shown exceptional kindness and empathy towards others.



Little Learners - Khawlah
Nursery 2 - Aaia
Reception - Lacey
Year 1 - Eryk
Year 2 - Daisy
Year 3 - Isabella
Year 4 - Rennie
Year 5 - Sonny
Year 6 - Sophia

Staff Kindness Award

Each half term, children nominate staff members who have shown **empathy, positivity and kindness**. Whether it's a warm smile, a helping hand or simply being someone who listens, these nominations remind us how much small acts matter. The winners are chosen by the children themselves – a lovely way to celebrate the adults who make Amington Heath feel safe and special every day.

Although there were many nominations, this half terms winners are: Mrs Kerr, Miss Watts, Miss Collins, Mrs Wyatt, Mrs Kerr and Mrs Tasker



What are we learning this half term?

Nursery 1	Little Learners are going on an adventure 'Under the Sea'. They will be reading lots of fishy tales and songs, such as 'Barry the Fish with Fingers' and 'Smiley Shark'.
Nursery 2	 Our adventure is 'Whose baby?' We will be learning about animals and their young. We will be reading Monkey Puzzle and learning songs like Animal Fair. We hope to visit the zoo to see some animals!
Reception	We will be learning all about different habitats that animals live in. They will be reading stories about animals that live in the oceans, the deserts and the forests. 
Year 1	 We are going on a pirate adventure to learn all about the world and practice their map skills. In science we will identify and classify materials and group them based on simple properties like float or sink.
Year 2	We will be learning all about the school and its grounds and using our geography skills to draw maps of the area. We will identify an area of the school grounds to improve and, in science, we will find out how to grow some plants to brighten the area.
Year 3	As scientists, we will be learning about forces and magnets in order to make a fun game. We will then learn about light and how shadows are formed to make our own shadow puppet show. 
Year 4	 In our Blue Abyss adventure we explore the water cycle and the states of matter –solid, liquid and gas. We will use the book Flotsam to inspire artwork using wax relief and batik.
Year 5	In year 5, we are becoming historians to learn all about Ancient Egypt. We will then use our design and textile skills to design and make a bag for an explorer.
Year 6	We will be reading Pig Heart Boy and learning all about the circulatory system in science. In our citizenship adventure we will be debating the issues of individual liberty to decide if the character in the story should have a new heart from a pig. 