

What an exciting first half to Autumn Term! There has been plenty of reading, celebration and successful learning to kick start the academic year 2017/18. We are looking forward to building on our achievements in the second half of Autumn 2!

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## Michael Rosen

This term we had a very exciting visit from the well known author Michael Rosen. Children and staff thoroughly enjoyed performances of Mr Rosen's well known story books, 'Chocolate Cake' and 'We're Going on a Bear Hunt'. Year 5 and 6 wrote their own poem in Mr Rosen's writing workshop, you can read the end product on the school website under 'News Archive'! Finally a huge thankyou to all of the parents/carers who came along after school to meet Michael Rosen, purchase his books and have them signed!



## Important Dates:

### Half Term

Mon 23rd Oct - Fri 27th Oct

### First Day Of Autumn 2

Monday 30th October

### Work Week!

Mon 30th Oct - Fri 3rd Nov

### Monday 30th October

Opal Class Trip -  
Stoke Newington Fire Station

### Tuesday 31st October

Pearl Class Trip -  
Stoke Newington Fire Station

Haringey Secondary  
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### Wednesday 1st November

Emerald Class Trip -  
Tesco, South Tottenham

Garnet Class Trip -  
Wahaca, Liverpool St.

### Thursday 2nd November

Amethyst Class Trip -  
Sainsbury's, Tottenham

### Wednesday 1st November

Azore & Ammolite Class Trip -  
Itau Business

### Monday 6th November

Selected Year 4 & 5 Pupils Trip  
Houses of Parliament

### Friday 17th November

Girls Primary Premier League  
New River Sports Centre

Don't forget to visit the school's website and check playground notice boards for more details and regular updates.

## Attendance Winners Bounce With Joy!

Each top attending class of summer term 2017 experienced a very bouncy celebration for their success! The winning classes were the current Amber, Quartz and Ammolite class and all pupils who contributed to their overall class attendance by attending 97%+ days of last term were able to take part in the fun and games on our new bouncy obstacle course! Congratulations to everybody who was invited to take part.



**Who will be attending the next bouncy celebration?**

## No Pens Day

For one day only the children and staff spent their school day learning without pens! During this day the children were not allowed to participate in any writing and instead had to use creative techniques to carry out their lessons. Year 1 acted out the scenes from their current Focus Text, 'Oi Get Off Our Train'. They used masks which they had made earlier in the day to identify their characters. Year 5 used their creative skills to make various 3D shapes out of nets. In all there was lots of creativity across the school and everybody had a successful day of learning! Well done!



## Tottenham University Programme

We continue to participate in The Tottenham University Programme which is now in its' 3rd successive year. This year's programme launched on 6th October and was attended by nominated Year 4 and 5 children, who met the Chief Executive of Haringey, Zina Etheridge and received journals in which to record their experiences on the programme.

This week the children attended a lively Q&A session on current affairs with Kevin Maguire associate editor at the Daily Mirror and Andrew Pierce journalist, editor, author and broadcaster.

Those children in the programme were also fortunate enough to be offered tickets to a football match (England v Slovenia), at Wembley – a rare treat which was thoroughly enjoyed by all parents/carers and children who attended.



## Spudding Success

This September the pupils who attended our Gardening Club were able to harvest a crop of potatoes which they had planted back in the spring and grown over the summer. Well done for all of your patience and hard work everyone! Hopefully you cannot wait to get planting for next years crop!



## Secondary Transfer Applications

It was great to see our Year 6 parents/ carers and pupils taking their first steps towards Secondary Transfer by attending our advice clinic run by local secondary school representatives and supported by some of our former Year 6 pupils. Hopefully you were able to gather plenty of useful information to help support your Secondary Application.



**Don't forget there is a deadline for all Haringey Secondary School applications!**

**Tuesday 31st October**

## CGP Book Sale



It is not too late to purchase your CGP revision and study books at amazing discounted prices. These books are an excellent resource for supporting your child's Home Learning and for SAT's preparation for Year 2 and Year 6 pupils. To everyone who placed an order your books will now be at the Main Office please come along during the office opening hours to collect them:

**8am-9:30am & 3pm– 3:45pm**

## Can You Help?

We are looking for volunteers. Whether you have an hour or a whole day to spare you can make a difference and we would love to hear from you!



## News Archive

Have you visited our online News Archive? You can follow updates and photographs of the children's most recent learning and achievements!

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Applying for a school place for September 2018 at

## Secondary School



Application deadline **31 October 2017**