



Newsletter

27th February 2026



Upcoming Events

Week 2nd March

- Weds 4th KS1 Road Safety Workshop
- Thurs 5th World Book Day - dress up
- Thurs 5th Y5 Almeida Theatre

Fri 6th Y6 British Museum

Week 9th March

Parent Consultations

Week 16th March

Y6 Mock SATS

Week 23rd March

Mon 23rd EID Celebration 3:30-4:30 bring a dish

Easter Holidays:

Mon 30th March - Fri 10th April 2026

See our website or click here for all [term dates](#) for the academic year 2025/2026.

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Message from Ms Liney

Welcome back from half term. Many of us have noticed that the children seem to have grown up remarkably in the short break, both physically and in terms of maturity. There was lots to praise in celebration assembly this week!

Today, we said goodbye to Lisa Browne and wished her well in a special assembly. The children shared memories, songs and even an impromptu dance. Lisa has worked with many individuals, groups and classes over the years, bringing joy as she supported their learning. We wish her the very best of luck.

I am pleased to let you know that we have successfully recruited someone for the Pastoral Care Manager role. We had strong candidates to choose from and the successful person brings broad experience. They will start with us after Easter. In the meantime, do not hesitate to speak to me, Ms Maguire or Ms Leal for pastoral matters.

Next week is World Book Day. I can't wait to see everyone's costumes for dress-up day on Thursday, and, of course, hear about their favourite books. Please join us to share a story with your child (p7). The following week, pop in to the travelling book fair when you join us for **parent consultations** (p2). Have a good weekend.

Ms Liney, Head of School

House Points

3,850

Paradise park

4,390

Clock Tower

3,710

Cally Bridge

3,590

Market Road





PARENT CONSULTATIONS



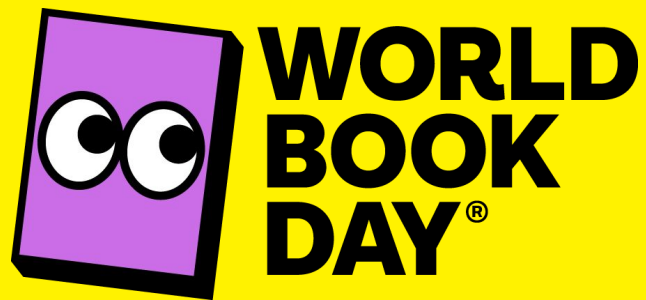
Parents' Evening is a very important opportunity for you to meet with your child's teacher, discuss their progress, celebrate successes and talk through next steps in their learning.

These meetings play a key role in ensuring we work together to support your child in achieving their very best.

Please book your appointment through Arbor.

We look forward to meeting with you then.

Date	Year Group	Time
Monday 9th March	Year 3	9am - 12pm
	Year 4	
Wednesday 11th March	All Classes Nursery - Year 6	After School: 3.45pm - 5.45pm
Friday 13th March	Year 1	9am - 12pm
	Year 2	
	Nursery	1pm - 4pm
	Reception	



World Book Day 2026

Thursday 5th March



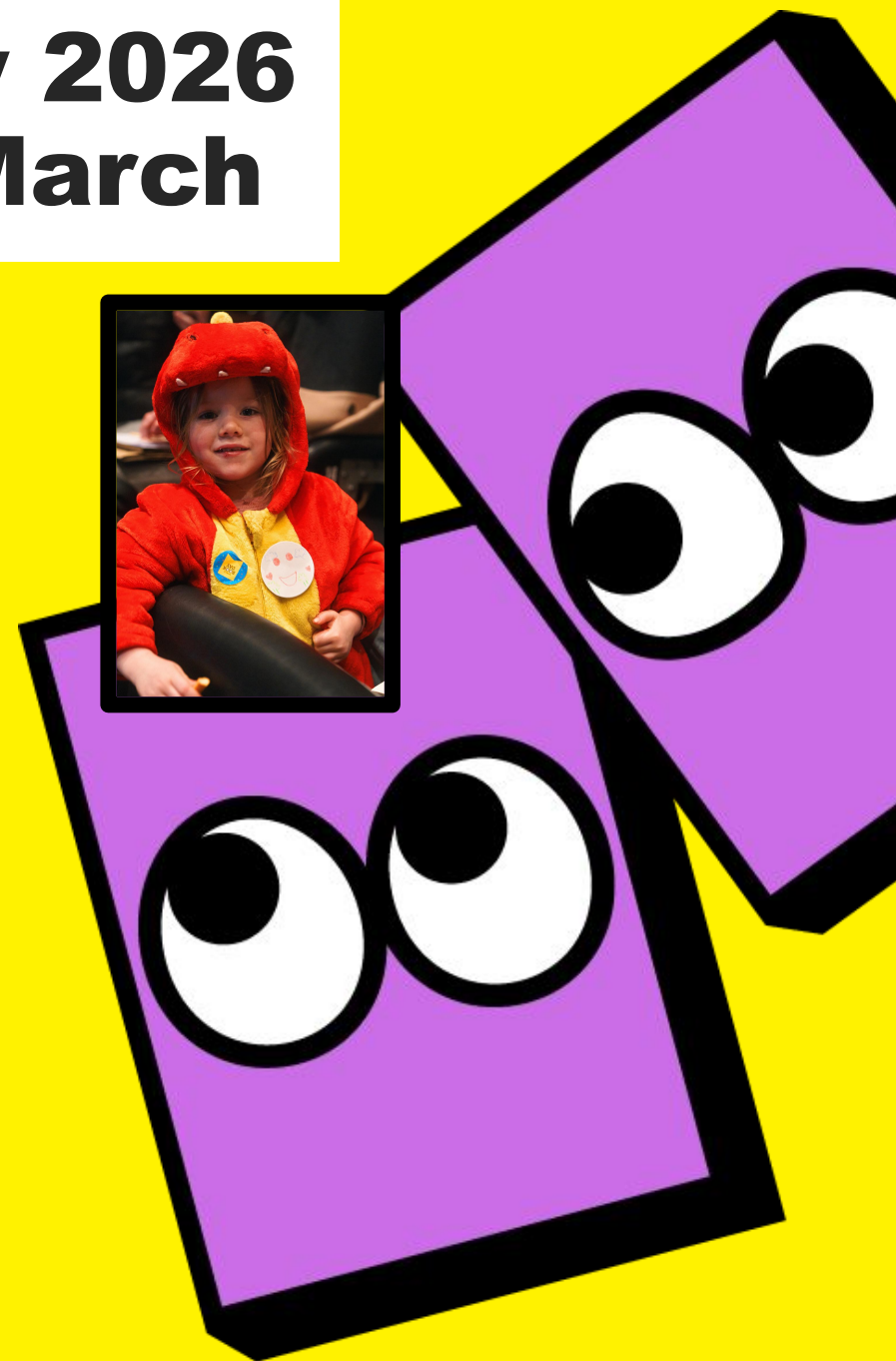
Dress up as your favourite book or character.

Bring the book with you to school.

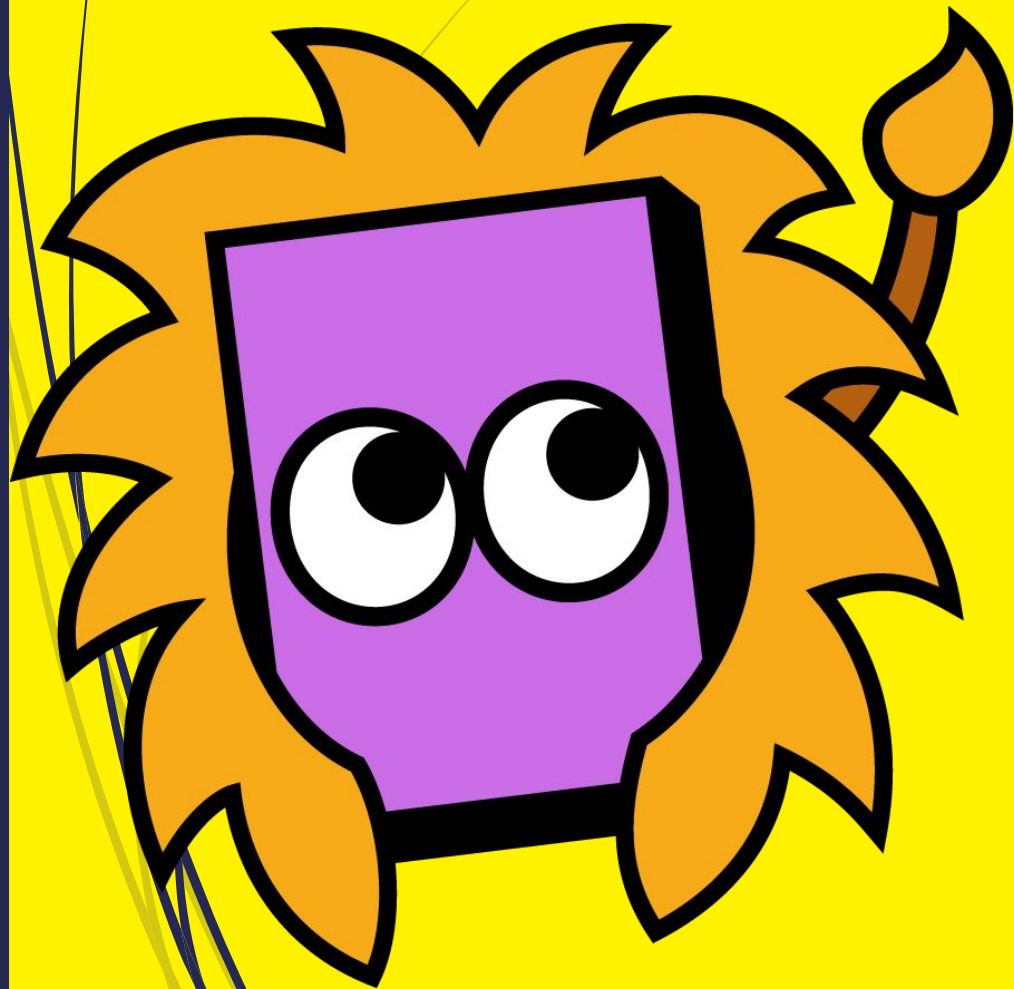
Drop everything and read – when the bell goes, we all get our books out.



Whole school text- *A Child of Books*
by Oliver Jeffers & Sam Winston



Our mission



To champion
the fun of

reading*

*because it seriously improves children's lives

It's all about reading for fun



We know that when children choose to read more it makes them:

Better at reading

Feel happier

More successful

Our Big Six principles that encourage children to read for fun:

- Being read to regularly
- Having books at home and school
- Finding time to read
- Having a choice in what to read
- Having trusted help to find a book
- Seeing reading as fun!

As a result of World Book Day children...

- ▶ Find reading more fun **38.6%**
- ▶ Made more time to read **35.3%**
- ▶ Have more choice in what to read **36.7%**
- ▶ Talk more with family / friends **30%**
- ▶ Read with parent / carer **24.3%**
- ▶ Find new books to read **37.0%**
- ▶ **1 in 4** (FSM) say the £1 book is the first book of their own.





JOIN US TO “SHARE A STORY” TO CELEBRATE WORLD BOOK DAY

We are delighted to invite you to [join us](#) for a special “Share a Story” reading session at school as we celebrate World Book Day and the National Year of Reading.

Reading together is one of the most powerful ways to inspire a lifelong love of books. We are excited to welcome you into the classroom to enjoy stories alongside your child. During these sessions, you will have the opportunity to read with your child, listen to stories and share in the joy of reading as a community.

Each class will be hosting their own session at different times. Please see below:

- Nursery – Monday 2nd March at 9:00 am – 9:20 am
- Year 5 - Monday 2nd March at 2:50 pm – 3:15 pm
- Year 6 – Tuesday 3rd March at 9:00 am – 9:20 am
- Year 6 – Tuesday 3rd March at 2:50 pm – 3:15 pm
- Reception – Wednesday 4th March at 9:00 am – 9:20 am
- Year 3 – Wednesday 4th March at 2:50 pm – 3:15 pm
- Year 1 – Thursday 5th March at 2:50 pm – 3:15 pm
- Year 1 – Friday 6th March at 2:50 pm – 3:15 pm



Share stories together

Click [here](#) for tips on sharing stories together. Advice is available in 22 different languages.

We kindly ask that you arrive a few minutes early so that we can begin promptly. Younger siblings are welcome and there is no need to bring anything—just come ready to enjoy a story!

We hope you can join us for this special celebration of reading and help us make it a memorable experience for all our pupils. Thank you, as always, for your continued support.



Times Tables



Certificates!

Ms Begum, our Maths Lead, has introduced Times Tables Rock Stars certificates to reward the children who have shown improvement and regular practice using the TTRS app. Encourage your child (Y2-Y6) to log on at home regularly, to develop automatic recall of multiplication facts. Well done to all the children who were awarded certificates this week.

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6	6	12	18	24	30	36	42	48	54	60	66	72
7	7	14	21	28	35	42	49	56	63	70	77	84
8	8	16	24	32	40	48	56	64	72	80	88	96
9	9	18	27	36	45	54	63	72	81	90	99	108
10	10	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100	110	120
11	11	22	33	44	55	66	77	88	99	110	121	132
12	12	24	36	48	60	72	84	96	108	120	132	144

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6	6	12	18	24	30	36	42	48	54	60	66	72
7	7	14	21	28	35	42	49	56	63	70	77	84
8	8	16	24	32	40	48	56	64	72	80	88	96
9	9	18	27	36	45	54	63	72	81	90	99	108
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Vision and Values

We care for each other and work together.



FAMILY WORKSHOPS

LOVE & LIMITS PARENTING PROGRAMME



FREE 6-week support group for parents/carers of adolescents aged 12-16 with challenging behaviour

Groups are held online via Microsoft Teams

Parents must live in or be registered with a GP in Camden or Islington

Start date: Friday 17th April 2026

Time: 10am - 11:30am

Venue: Online (Microsoft Teams)

Group runs at the same time weekly for 6 weeks

We accept referrals from professionals and parents. Please use the QR code to access the referral form. Or please email familyservice@brandoncentre.org.uk to request for a referral form



For more details please email us at:
Familyservice@brandoncentre.org.uk



Online Webinar

Social switch – social media awareness workshop

what to expect ...

This training helps parents and carers understand the online world young people use every day. It covers common risks like harmful content, social media pressure, AI-generated material, online abuse, and gendered harms, while also showing the positive side of technology. Parents will leave with practical tips, conversation starters, and strategies to help children stay safe and confident online.

Parental Privacy Control is not enough – This webinar will explain more!

Date: Tuesday 10th March 2026

Time: 6-8PM

This will be facilitated by Catch 22
Sally Ann-Taylor



scan QR Code and
purchase ticket



Purchase FREE ticket on Eventbrite!

Be Mindful
Be Ready
Be Safe

Attendance and Punctuality Matters

Attendance is everyone's responsibility

Attendance Leader Board

Africa Reception	93.5%
Antarctica Y1	94.9%
South America Y2	93.1%
Oceania Y3	91.3%
Europe Y4	97.1%
Asia Y5	94.4%
North America Y6	93.5%

“Here today, ready for tomorrow.”

Our home-school partnership is key to successful outcomes for our pupils

Holiday during term time.
A reminder that, like all Islington schools, we do not authorise holidays taken in term time. Some parents may believe that there is a right to a certain number of days holiday during term time. This is not true. **You may be served with a Penalty Notice or a summons to court for your child/ren's unauthorised absence once your child turns 5 years old and will incur a fine from the Local Authority.**

Class with the highest attendance this week:
Europe Class Year 4 97.1%
Well done!

Our whole school attendance this week is: 93.9%

Extended Day Provision
8-8.45 am Breakfast club
8.45-9am Soft Start
9am Registration
(any child arriving after 9am is marked as late)
3.15pm Collection time
3.30-4.45 Enrichment clubs
3.30-6pm extended day provision.