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# NEWSLETTER

St John's Highbury Vale C. of E. Primary School

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The class with the best attendance  
at 99.3 % was

**Year 6**



The class with the best punctuality and  
with 0 children late all week was

**Year 5**

## Football Galore

There have been many football opportunities this week for the boys in Year 6. Last Thursday some of the boys in Year 6 travelled to Market Road to participate in the Premier League Primary Stars Tournament. The boys topped their group without conceding a goal but were faced with a penalty shootout in the next round, which sadly ended their wonderful run. On Tuesday, we also travelled to Whittington Park to play a match against Montem Primary school and what a match it was! The boys finished the match 6-1 as



winners, with Charlie, Frederik and Max A all scoring a brace

each. This was a great opportunity to get some additional match practise in and see more children getting the chance to gain experience in a competitive match. Leo was solid in goal; Max S and Takezo were super strong in defence stopping many attacks from our opposition. Evan, Max A, Bobby and Frederik controlled the game in midfield, while Charlie and Harun caused mayhem in the opposition's box. Well done to all children involved in both experiences!



No clubs on the last and first week of term.

No Kidz Club service

on Thursday and Friday next week

On Friday 1st April

school is finishing at 1.30 pm.



**PICTURE DAY**

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> April

# ★ FOSJ SECOND HAND UNIFORM ★



You are invited to  
THE OPENING CEREMONY OF

## CHRIST CHURCH COMMUNITY CENTRE

Easter Sunday, 17th April  
4.00 - 6.00pm

*Childrens' Activities  
& Refreshments*

at Christ Church Highbury  
159 Highbury Grove, N5 1SA

*a new resource for Highbury*

FRIDAY 1 APRIL  
FROM 1:30-2:15PM IN THE PLAYGROUND

ALL ITEMS 50P OR £1  
PLEASE BRING CHANGE OR CARD PAYMENTS  
CAN BE TAKEN

IF YOU CAN HELP ON THE DAY PLEASE EMAIL:  
FOSJ@GSUITE.STJHV.ISLINGTON.SCH.UK

PLEASE BRING ANY CLOTHES DONATIONS  
TO THE SCHOOL



THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT

**St John's Highbury Vale CofE Primary  
School**

HAS RECEIVED A SCHOOL GUIDE RATING OF



AND HAS THEREFORE BEEN AWARDED A

**CERTIFICATE OF EXCELLENCE**

FOR THE YEAR 2021 - 2022

Victoria Bond, CEO of School Guide

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## Reception

Reception class have become parents this week and have learnt all about the duck lifecycle. They watched ducklings be born and looked after them, we taught them to walk, drink, swim and talk, ready to go back to the farm. We voted democratically on names for the ducklings too: Isla, Snowdrop and Pikachu!



## Year 1

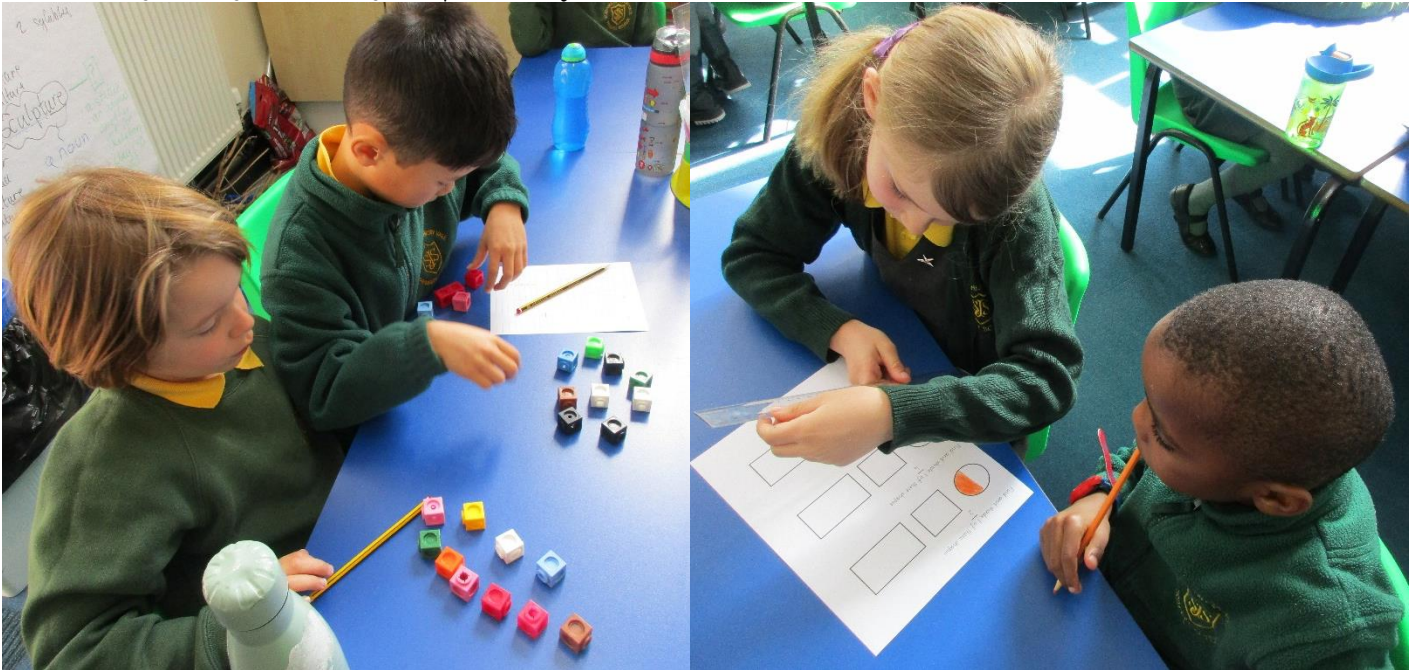
Last week we started our work Design and Technology work on freestanding structures. To start this unit of work off, we had to understand what freestanding structures are so we went into the playground and explored making structures using a variety of materials. We then explored how to join materials together. This week we had our class assembly. The children were so confident with presenting all their learning. Well done Year 1 !!!





## Year 2

Year 2 have been exploring fractions. We looked at the notation and found that the denominator tells us how many parts the whole amount has been split into. The numerator tells us how many of those parts to look at. Then we found fractions of shapes and quantities.



## Year 3

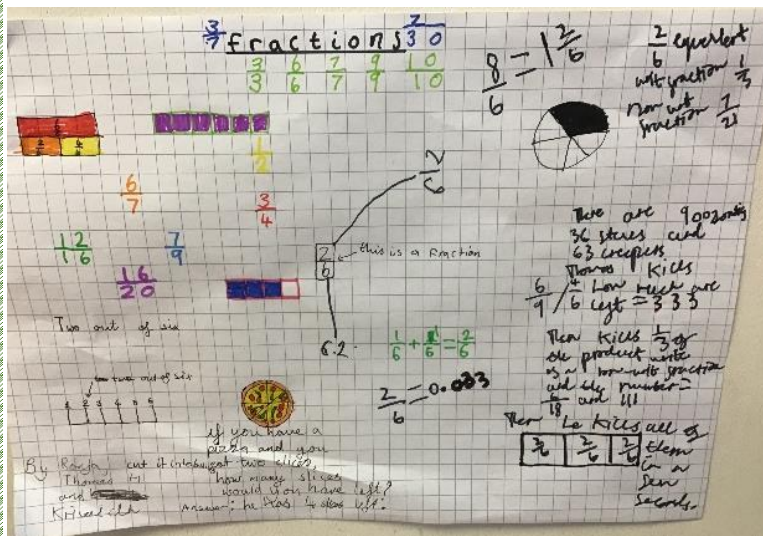
This week in Year 3, we have started our 2-week swimming course; we were all very excited to get in the pool and are having lots and lots of fun! Every day we are going to Highbury Leisure Centre to learn how to swim confidently. We can't wait for next week to continue our learning.





## Year 4

This week Year 4 have been learning about equivalent fractions. They made posters displaying their knowledge. They were very proud of them and we put them up in the classroom.



## Year 5

Last Friday, the children had a cooking lesson in French. The children had to read the recipe and follow cooking instructions in French. They worked as a team to understand the recipe and followed the instructions perfectly. The children overcame the challenge by working effectively as a team and using their prior learning in French to understand the cooking instructions. Well done Year 5!





## Year 6

One-way we improve our understanding of the characters and how or what influences them, is through drama. We also use this strategy to improve how we argue our viewpoint to persuade others. During our exploration of the character Jemmy Button (his real name is Orundellico and he is from Tierra del Fuego), we discussed whether he should go to England with Captain FitzRoy and his crew or stay on the island with his family and friends. We split the class into two rows; one row tried to convince Orundellico to stay, and the other, tried to convince him to go and expand his horizons. As he (Orun) walked along the 'conscience alley', pupils whispered their points and when the character reached the end of the line, they made their decision based on each side's arguments. It was not as easy as we thought it would be. Decisions, decisions. ...

