



Friday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2022 Summer Term Issue 8

# NEWSLETTER

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

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The class with the best attendance  
at 97.8% was

Year 3



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

Year 1

## Odd Socks Day

As part of our Happiness Project, this week our focus is on celebrating differences. This Friday, we came to school wearing odd socks to show support to all of our differences and help prevent bullying.



## Free flu vaccine to all children Reception – Year 6

The Vaccination center are asking parents to complete this additional questionnaire

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSe+MXzfgt+zFOPGKh16yrqJWTVIZZhUAKSS\\_9XH4k-J5wWQ/viewform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSe+MXzfgt+zFOPGKh16yrqJWTVIZZhUAKSS_9XH4k-J5wWQ/viewform?usp=sf_link)

together with E-CONSENT

<https://london.schoolvaccination.uk/flu/2022/islington> to give consent, or to decline it.

You can find the paper copy for nasal flu vaccine or flu vaccine injection in the office.

Nurses have booked to visit our school on Thursday 17th November 2022.

Please ensure your Parentpay account is up to date  
and all outstanding balances are paid before Monday.

No bookings will be accepted if there are outstanding balances on Parentpay.

Thank you for your cooperation.

# Islington Primary School Cross Country Competition

On Wednesday, children from Years 4, 5 and 6 travelled to Finsbury park to participate in the Islington Primary School Cross Country Competition. We are so proud of all the children who competed and it was a pleasure to witness so many children pushing themselves out of their comfort zone to compete for the school and their classes. Well done everyone!

Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Overall Leader Board : 6th Place out of 13 Small School Leader Board: 1st Place out of 5 School Leader Board, 1st Place : Immy & Ezra	Overall Leader Board : 7th Place out of 15 Small School Leader Board : 1st Place out of 6 School Leader Board, 1st Place : Maggie & Orlando	Overall Leader Board : 6th Place out of 13 Small School Leader Board : 1st Place out of 4 School Leader Board, 1st Place : Ava & Floyd





## SCHOOL CHRISTMAS CARDS

Personalised Christmas cards are back in collaboration with APFS - art projects for schools!



Your child should bring home their festive picture with a unique code on the back. The artwork your child has created will be accurately reproduced in full colour onto Christmas cards that are available in packs of 12. Additional items are also available such as packs of 6 larger gloss coated luxury Christmas cards, packs of 3 sheets of wrapping paper, packs of 12 folded gift tags, mugs and tote bags.

To order, simply visit <https://www.apfsorders.co.uk>, and input the unique artwork code - found on the label on the reverse of the artwork - and your child's first name and surname.

Orders must be placed by midnight on 11th November 2022

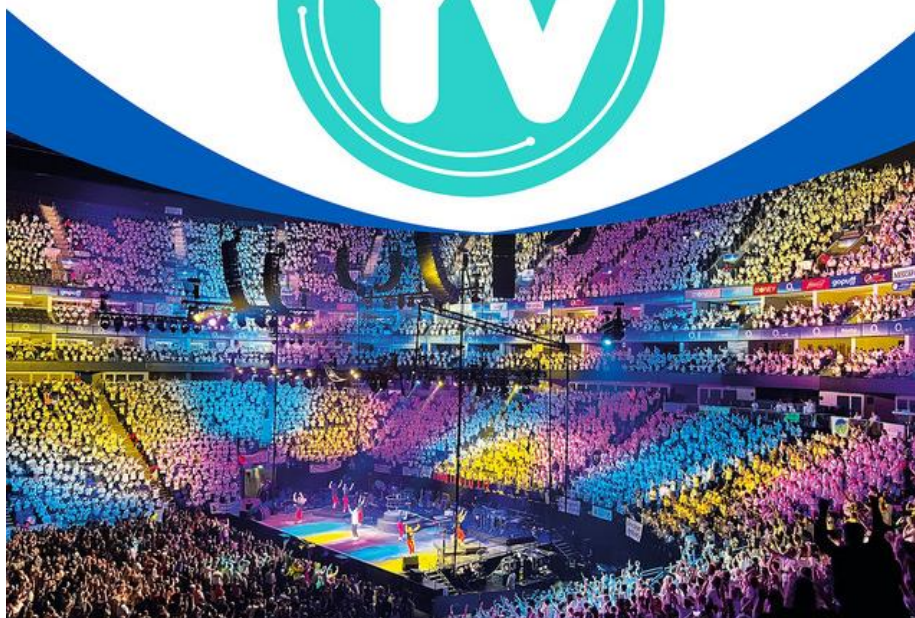
Last year we raised £374 for school through this project so please buy some cards if you can!

## Young Voice Concert

Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> January  
2023

Please ensure to order your Young Voice Concert ticket through the school office if your child is in the choir.

This must be done before  
Wednesday 9th November.  
Thank you.



## SAVE THE DATES

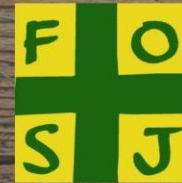
DRAWING COMPETITION & BOARDS LAST DAY  
**Wednesday 9th November**

2nd HAND CHRISTMAS JUMPER  
**Friday 2nd December**

CHRISTMAS FAIR & PICK UP XMAS TREES  
**Sunday 11th December 2-4pm**

If you have any questions or wish to volunteer please email us:  
[fosj@gsuite.stjhv.islington.sch.uk](mailto:fosj@gsuite.stjhv.islington.sch.uk)

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EDWARD**  
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## CHRISTMAS DRAWING COMPETITION

### CALLING ALL BUDDING ARTISTS

Our Christmas Fair advertising boards are being kindly provided by our local estate agents James Edward. As usual, they will feature a drawing by a St John's pupil.

There will be prizes for the **best three** pictures with the winning work of art being chosen by the team at James Edward to be displayed on boards in and around Highbury. The theme is 'Christmas' and please include the date and time of St. John's Christmas Fair on  
**11th December 2-4pm.**

So sharpen your pencils and get your pictures back to the school office on **A4 sized plain landscape paper, in full colour by Wednesday 9th November.**

We assume those who had summer boards are willing to have a board again, if not please get in touch. If you are yet to register your address to have a board, please email Sarah Griggs at [griggysbroome@googlemail.com](mailto:griggysbroome@googlemail.com) with your name and address by 09th November.

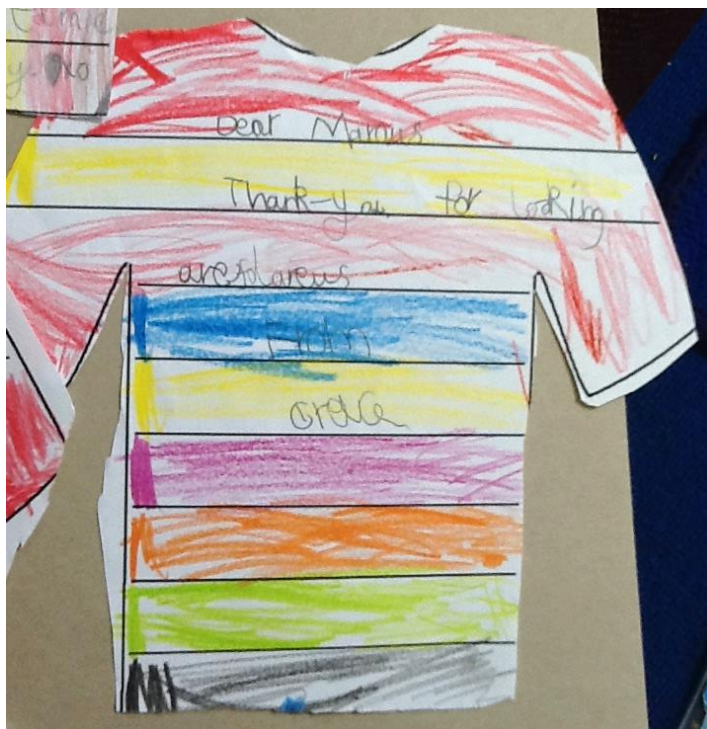
## Reception

Just before half term, we read the story of Rama and Sita. We had a great time making indian sweets called coconut burfi and making divas using salt dough. We made a class story map to help us retell the story and some of us had a go at making our own story map.



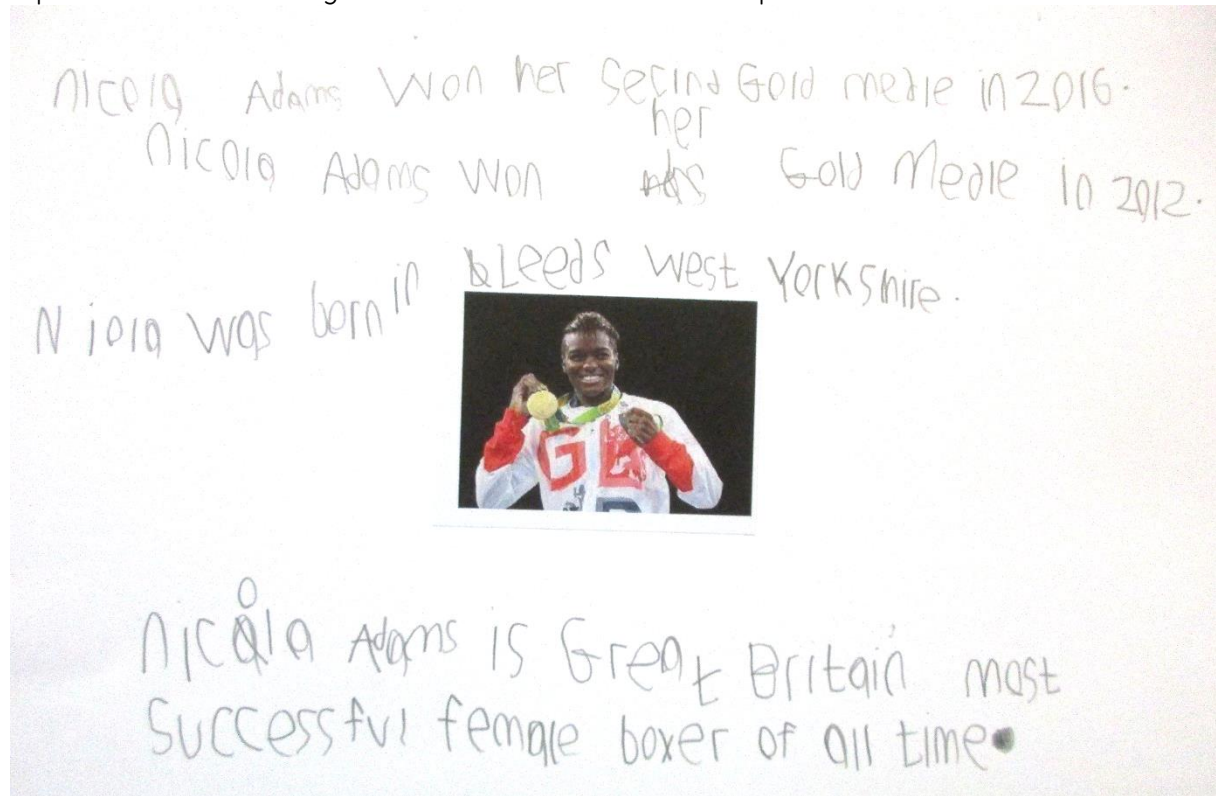
## Year 1

For Black History Month, Year 1 have been learning about Marcus Rashford and all the amazing work he did helping children have free school meals during the pandemic. We wrote letters to thank him.



## Year 2

Year 2 spent some time learning about Nicola Adams and made posters to celebrate her achievements.



## Year 3

For Black History Month, Year 3 looked at Walter Tull. He was an English professional footballer and British Army officer of Afro-Caribbean descent. He was the first mixed-heritage professional footballer to play for a Football League First Division team in 1909, Tottenham Hotspur! He then was then a lance sergeant and fought in the Battle of the Somme in 1916. When Tull was commissioned as a second lieutenant in 1917, he became one of the first mixed-heritage infantry officers in a regular British Army regiment. We learnt about his legacy and drew some pictures of him to celebrate his achievements.



## Year 4

In Year 4, we have been practicing gymnastics with Sarah, we are engaging our core muscles in order to help us balance in pairs. For black history month, we celebrated John Blanke - who was a highly respected musician in the early 16th century. He was the one of the first black people recorded in the UK, and played trumpet for Henry VII and Henry VIII.



## Year 5

To celebrate Black History month, Year 5 learned about Claudia Jones. She was one of the founders of Notting Hill Carnival. We listened to traditional Caribbean music and even learned a dance to the song 'Follow the Leader'.



1. To research Claudia Jones (Black British political activist).

Claudia Jones



Picture of Claudia Jones

- born in Trinidad
- She is a Journalist
- born on February 21<sup>st</sup> in 1915 and died December 2<sup>nd</sup> in 1964
- She fought against racial inequality
- In 1958 she founded the West Indian Gazette
- She helped launch the Notting Hill carnival in 1959
- She went to prison in 1955 for "un-American activities"
- She fought for African and West-Indian rights
- She used the last name Jones to remain anonymous to those who didn't believe in black rights
- She joined the Young Communist League in 1936
- Her real name is Claudia Vera Cumberbatch
- She lived on 6 Melton Road
- She arrived in London penniless
- She died because she had a heart attack

✓ Great research!

## Year 6

This week, we have been creating a collage inspired by the artist Megan Coyle. Our art is still a work in progress as next week we will be adding oil pastel, using Megan Coyle's technique of 'painting with paper'.



### Happiness Project – Week 8 Celebrating Differences

It is neither good nor bad to be different. We all are different. This is who we are and our differences make us all special and interesting.

We have different experiences, different home lives. We have different skin colours, different abilities, different strengths, and different weaknesses. We have different points of view, different religions.

The world would be a boring place if we all looked, thought, and acted the same way.

The best way to celebrate our differences  
is to celebrate our uniqueness!

It is important to know how we're different, and feel comfortable with those differences, embrace it and then we can start to see our similarities and find even more common ground with others.

