

...Changing lives

# Highfields

## Primary Academy

# NEWSLETTER

Friday 3rd November, 2023



### Autumn Skies and Pumpkin Pies!

This week in Paddington class the children have been learning about all things Autumn!

We have carved pumpkins and made pumpkin Rice Crispie buns. In outdoor provision, we noticed how the leaves are falling off the trees and we enjoyed sweeping them up with our brushes. The weather has really changed and we discuss this every morning after registration.

During the wet weather, the children are learning to wrap up appropriately in school's wellies and suits to ensure they stay dry.

Earlier this week some of us enjoyed puddle jumping that much that the rain went over wellies! Please pop a spare pair of socks or tight your child's bag just in case they get wet feet!



Mrs Bradford



Paddington

Wimbledon

Lev  
Darrell

Seanna

Waterloo

Stars of  
the week

Euan

Cesar  
Toby

WESTMINSTER

KNIGHTSBRIDGE

Attendance

Waterloo



KNIGHTSBRIDGE



WESTMINSTER



Class	Week %	Year %
Paddington	85.2%	85.0%
Wimbledon	69.0%	92.0%
WESTMINSTER	86.8%	90.4%
KNIGHTSBRIDGE	88.5%	91.8%
Waterloo	94.6%	93.4%
Whole School	88.0%	90.3%



## Colossal Pyramids

This week in Westminster, we have been looking at how the pyramids were built as part of our topic 'Ancient Egypt'.

We watched drone footage taken above the pyramids and could not believe how tiny a human looked in comparison to the huge structures. As a class, we discovered how trenches were dug into the bedrock, ramps with tracks were created for the labourers to pull the heavy sledges and a gold finishing stone was placed



at the very top of the pyramid. We really enjoyed acting out the process, but we were glad that we didn't really have to pull those sledges full of heavy granite

and limestone!

Finally, we made storyboards to show the steps – we decided it was hard work building the pyramids...

*Mrs Walters*



## Diary Dates

**UK Parliament Week** – 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> November  
**Academy Parliament Elections** – 9<sup>th</sup> November

**Remembrance Day** – 10<sup>th</sup> November

**Yorik Visit (Year 4/5)** – 13<sup>th</sup> November

**Anti-Bullying Week** – 13<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> November

**Odd Socks Day** – 13<sup>th</sup> November

**Flu Vaccinations** – 14<sup>th</sup> November

**Road Safety Week** – 19<sup>th</sup>-25<sup>th</sup> November

**Parents' Evenings** – 14<sup>th</sup> / 16<sup>th</sup> November

**Children in Need** – 17<sup>th</sup> November

**FoHPA Coffee Morning / Bake Sale** – 5<sup>th</sup> December @ 9 am

**FoHPA Christmas Craft Afternoon** – 5<sup>th</sup> December

**Christmas Jumper Day** – 7<sup>th</sup> December

## Half-Termly Reports

Half termly reports have been sent home with children today.

These give a brief overview of your child's attendance, progress and attitude to learning over the last half term. These reports will be sent every half term apart from the last half term when a full report for the entire academic year will be sent as normal.

## Hocus-Pocus Pumpkins

Take a look at some of our amazing pumpkin carvings! There were some incredibly, creative creations for our judges to choose from. Congratulations to all our winners!

