



Friday 15th September 2022

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Dear Parents/Carers,

The Queen's Funeral

Reminder we will be closed on Monday 19th September in light of Her Majesty's funeral.

An online Book of Condolence for those who wish to leave messages is available on the Royal website: <https://www.royal.uk/send-message-condolence>.

School will be open as usual on Tuesday 20th September.

Class assemblies

Class assemblies take place on Thursday afternoons at 2:30pm. Please put these dates in your diaries:

Thursday 20 th October	Year 6
Thursday 3 rd November	Year 1
Thursday 10 th November	Year 2
Thursday 17 th November	Year 5
Thursday 24 th November	Year 4
Thursday 1 st December	Year 3

Friends of Gillespie (FoG) News

The FoG Annual General Meeting (AGM) is on

Wednesday 28 September at 9am

The AGM is an opportunity to shape plans for the coming year on events, fundraising and how money raised is spent.

We'd love to see and hear from as many Gillespie families there as possible, although if you can't make it there will be other opportunities to get involved.

This term's Caterlink menu.

Click the link to see the menu full size:

<https://caterlinktd.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/01/Islington-Autumn-Menu-2022.pdf>

		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday		
		Islington Autumn Menu 2022						
							<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Added Plant Power Vegan Wholemeal 	
Week One	Option 1	Spaghetti Bolognese	Turkey & Chickpea Curry with Rice	Roast Chicken, Skin on Potatoes and Gravy	BBQ Chicken with 50/50 Rice	Battered Fish and Chips	Available Daily: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Freshly cooked jacket potatoes with a choice of fillings (where advertised) - Bread freshly baked on site daily - Daily salad selection 	
	Option 2	Vegetable Bolognese	Creamy Vegetable Pie	Vegetable Wellington	Jollof Rice & Quorn	Beef Burger with Chips		
	Vegetables and Salad	Roasted Winter Vegetables Mixed Bean Salad	Green Beans Sweetcorn Grated Carrot Salad	Carrots Broccoli Green Bean Salad	Cauliflower Peppers Mixed Leaf Salad	Baked Beans Steamed Peas Rainbow Slaw		
	Dessert	Mixed Berries Rice Pudding (50% Fruit)	Chocolate and Beetroot Brownie	Apple, Cheese and Crackers	Peach Crumble with Custard	Yoghurt and Fresh Fruit Station		
		Or a choice of Yoghurt & Fresh Fruit available daily						
Week Two	Option 1	Cheese and Tomato Pizza	Chicken Tikka Curry with 50/50 Rice	Beef Cottage Pie	Chicken Paella	Salmon Fish Cake and Wedges	ALLERGY INFORMATION: If your child has an allergy or intolerance please ask a member of the catering team for information. If your child has a school lunch and has a food allergy or intolerance you will be asked to complete a form to ensure we have the necessary information to cater for your child. We use a large variety of ingredients in the preparation of our meals and due to the nature of our kitchens it is not possible to completely remove the risk of cross-contamination.	
	Option 2	Peppers & Bean Frittata with Wedges	Sweet & Sour Butter beans with 50/50 Rice	Chickpea & Vegetable Hot Pot	Vegetable Enchilada's	Puff Pastry Cheese & Pepper Whirl		
	Vegetables and Salad	Sweetcorn Broccoli Tomato Penne Salad	Roasted Courgettes Peppers Coleslaw	Swede Steamed Peas Sweet Potato Salad	Cauliflower Carrots Roasted Veg Salad	Baked Beans Green Beans Couscous Salad		
	Dessert	Bananas and Chocolate Sauce	Blackberry and Apple Crumble with Custard	Eves Pudding with Custard	Carrot Cake	Yoghurt and Fresh Fruit Station		
		Or a choice of Yoghurt & Fresh Fruit available daily						
Week Three	Option 1	Macaroni Cheese	Jamaican Jerk Chicken with 50/50 Rice	Roast Turkey, Stuffing Skin on Potatoes, Gravy	Beef Chili con Carne with Rice	Breaded Fish and Chips		
	Option 2	Five Bean Chili with 50/50 Rice	Lentil Shepherdess Pie	Lentil & Chickpea Loaf, with Skin On Roast Potatoes, Gravy	Lentil and Sweet Potato Curry with Rice	Mixed Vegetable Tortilla Stack		
	Vegetables and Salad	Roasted Carrots Sliced Green Beans Beetroot Orange Salad	Green Beans Sweetcorn Apple and Raisin Salad	Braised Red Cabbage Carrots Green Bean Power	Broccoli Cauliflower Tabbouleh Salad	Baked Beans Steamed Peas BBQ Noodle Salad		
	Dessert	Slick Toffee Apple Crumble with Custard	Pear and Chocolate Upside Down Cake with Chocolate Sauce	Melon, Breadsticks and Cheese	Sultana Flapjack	Yoghurt and Fresh Fruit Station		

Hour of Code Week

Next week is Hour of Code week which is celebrated across the world!

In class children will watch the following clip: <https://youtu.be/liPLtP-jm8>
Next week all classes across the school will spend an hour of their computing time learning to code. Each class will have an age appropriate activity to engage with which ranges from learning logo to coding in sports to creating their own Colossal Squid Game.



Wishing families a restful weekend.

Yours sincerely

Mark Owen Headteacher

Year 3 Learning

Last week Year 3 were busy making postcards to tell each other about the favourite parts of their summer break!



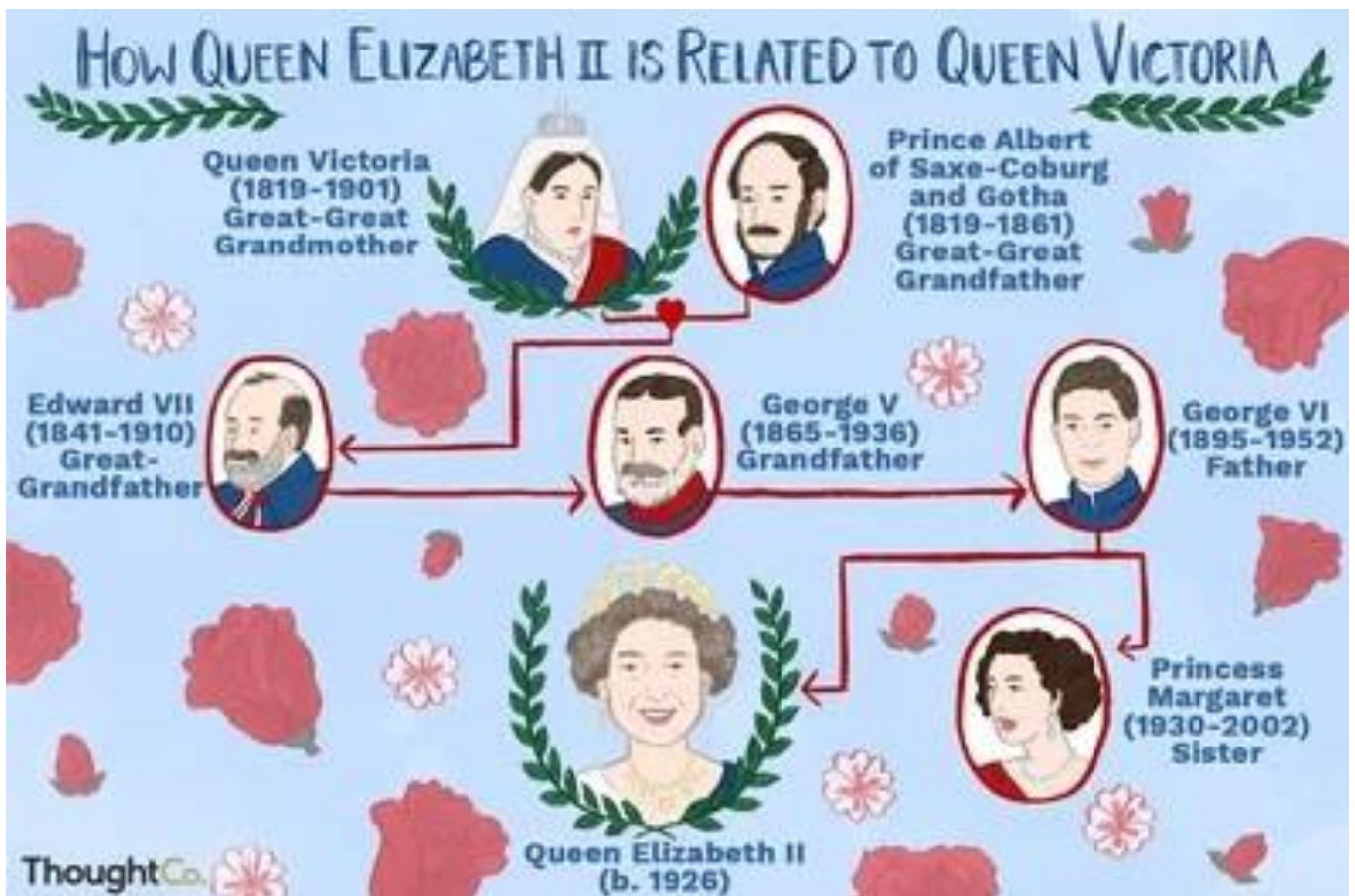
Nursery Learning

Nursery and Reception class have been noticing the Pumpkins have been growing bigger and bigger and turning orange this week in our vegetable patch. We can't wait to pick them and make some delicious pumpkin soup!



Year 6 Learning

Year 6 shared an assembly with the school on the link between Queen Victoria and Queen Elizabeth. In history and R.E we learnt about similarities and differences in the rituals of what happens when a monarch passes away focussing on our two longest reigning monarchs. Children were astonished to find that many of the ceremonies that the nation have been watching this week are identical to those that marked the funeral of Queen Victoria.



Ongoing reminders:

Diary dates

Monday 19 th September	Bank Holiday (school closed for The Queen's funeral)
WKBG 19 th September	Hour of Code Week
Tuesday 20 th September	3:45pm Y6 Secondary Transition meeting
Wednesday 28 th September	9am FoG AGM
October	Black History Month
Thursday 6 th October	World Poetry Day
Monday 10 th October	Mental Health Day
WKBG 17 th October	PSHE wellbeing week
Thursday 20 th October	FoG Halloween Disco
Monday 24 th – Friday 28 th October	Half term

Current Coronavirus Guidelines

Pupils and schools should continue to follow relevant [public health advice relating to COVID-19](#). The guidance states:

Children and young people (aged 18 years and under) who have symptoms of a respiratory infection, including COVID-19

Respiratory infections are common in children and young people, particularly during the winter months. Symptoms can be caused by several respiratory infections including the common cold, COVID-19 and RSV.

For most children and young people, these illnesses will not be serious, and they will soon recover following rest and plenty of fluids.

Very few children and young people with respiratory infections become seriously unwell. This is also true for children and young people with long-term conditions.

Attending education is hugely important for children and young people's health and their future.

When children and young people with symptoms should stay at home and when they can return to education

Children and young people with mild symptoms such as a runny nose, sore throat, or slight cough, who are otherwise well, can continue to attend their education setting.

Children and young people who are unwell and have a high temperature should stay at home and avoid contact with other people, where they can. They can go back to school, college or childcare, and resume normal activities when they no longer have a high temperature and they are well enough to attend.

All children and young people with respiratory symptoms should be encouraged to cover their mouth and nose with a disposable tissue when coughing and/or sneezing and to wash their hands after using or disposing of tissues.

Testing

It is not recommended that children and young people are tested for COVID-19 unless directed to by a health professional.

If a child or young person has a positive COVID-19 test result they should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 3 days after the day they took the test, if they can. After 3 days, if they feel well and do not have a high temperature, the risk of passing the infection on to others is much lower. This is because children and young people tend to be infectious to other people for less time than adults.