

# NEWINGTON GREEN

# NEWSLETTER

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## HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents and Carers,

School is slowly preparing for Christmas and the sound of children practising for their Christmas performances is echoing through the corridors. Performances will be on Monday 16th December. Early Years will be performing a nativity at 9.30am, Years 1 - 3 performance will be at 11am and Years 4- 6 performance will be at 2.30pm. Performances will last roughly one hour and parents are welcome to attend. We believe that opportunities for the children to perform in front of other people are so valuable.

On Friday 13th December, Donna, our Chair of Governors and I, will be holding a parent coffee morning at 9am. The focus of this session will be on communication and what we can do together to improve school communications. Please book the date in your diary.

Happy Friday!

Mairead



Last week, Morch put the first Christmas decoration on the tree. It's starting to look a lot like Christmas... at NG!

## CHEF TIAGO'S WEEKLY RECIPE

Each week, Chef Tiago will share a recipe. The idea is to cut them out and save them for quick, healthy meal ideas for the kids. Enjoy this week's first recipe, featuring hidden vegetables!



### Spaghetti with Tomato Sauce

#### Ingredients

##### Base

- 400g Chopped Tomatoes from the tin
- 1/2 White Onion
- 1 garlic clove
- 3 carrots
- 1 courgette
- 3 tbsp tomato paste
- Salt
- Pepper
- 500g Spaghetti pasta
- Olive oil or other type of oils like sunflower or rapeseed



#### Directions

##### Easy-to-Follow Instructions:

1. Boil Water: Fill a pot with 2 litres of water and place it on the heat.
2. Prepare Ingredients:
  - Chop garlic and onions, and set aside.
  - Open the tin of tomatoes.
  - Peel and roughly chop the carrots.
  - Chop the courgette (leave the skin on).
3. Cook the Sauce:
  - Heat a pan with a thread of oil.
  - Add the garlic, onions, chopped tomatoes, and tomato purée to the pan.
  - Add 1 cup of water, then mix in the courgettes and carrots.
  - Season with salt and pepper, tasting as you go.
4. Simmer Sauce: Let the sauce cook on low heat to soften the vegetables (about 15 minutes).
5. Cook Pasta:
  - Once the water boils, add 3 tablespoons of salt.
  - Stir, then add the spaghetti (do not break it).
  - Cook for 10-12 minutes, or as instructed on the package.
  - Drain the pasta once cooked.
6. Blend the Sauce: Use a hand blender or stand blender to blitz the sauce until smooth.
7. Combine and Serve:
  - Mix the pasta with the sauce.
  - Optionally, top with chopped basil and grated cheese.

Enjoy your meal!

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## YEAR 4 ENGLISH LESSON

In Year 4, we have been exploring Charlie and the Chocolate Factory further by creating a play script based on the five golden ticket winners entering the factory. Children successfully created their own script and they acted some of them out in the hall. Gaby and Patrick were extremely proud of all the children for all their hard work in English over the last couple of weeks.



## DONATE YOUR UNWANTED CHILDRENS BOOKS



Do you have children's books at home that your little ones have outgrown? We'd love to give them a new home! Please just make sure they're in good condition e.g. no ripped pages, doodles or too much wear and tear. These books will help us grow our classroom collections, benefiting all our pupils. Simply drop them off at the school office between **Monday 9th and Friday 13th December**.

Thank you for your support!

## FREE CHILDCARE

If you are an eligible working parent, you can apply for up to 15 hours' free childcare per week during term time for your child if they're aged between 2 and 3 years.

If they're between 3 and 4 years old, eligible parents can get up to 30 hours' free childcare per week. You have to get your code by 31 December to start claiming the free hours from January 1, so apply in good time!

See the Government's Childcare Choices web page [here](#).

## AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

Newington Green Primary School After School Club Plan for week beginning 25.11.2024				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Board and/or card Games	Board and/or card Games	Board and/or card Games	Board and/or card Games	Board and/or card Games
Communication and calculation	Construction area - Giant Jenga	Giant Floor Puzzles	Construction-Lego	Construction area - Doll houses
Literacy & Mathematics Wordsearches, Crosswords & Maths puzzles	Literacy & Mathematics Wordsearches, Crosswords & Maths puzzles	Literacy & Mathematics Wordsearches, Crosswords & Maths puzzles	Literacy & Mathematics Wordsearches, Crosswords & Maths puzzles	Literacy & Mathematics Wordsearches, Crosswords & Maths puzzles
Communication & Language	Cross Stitch - Fine Motor Skills	Ball Games - Gross Motor Skills	Papercraft	Sensory Play Fine Motor Skills
Free choice artistry area, including colouring, sticking, crafting, collage etc.	Free choice artistry area, including colouring, sticking, crafting, collage etc.	Free choice artistry area, including colouring, sticking, crafting, collage etc.	Free choice artistry area, including colouring, sticking, crafting, collage etc.	Free choice artistry area, including colouring, sticking, crafting, collage etc.

In case of an emergency after 4 PM concerning your child at the after-school club (such as late collection), please call this number for assistance **07342567061**.

## BREAKFAST CLUB

Newington Green Primary School Breakfast Club Plan for week beginning 02.12.2024				
Staff who we know will be working at Breakfast Club: Lead: Lisa B Playworkers: Shpetime, Sannah & Asmie				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Reading corner	Reading corner	Reading corner	Reading corner	Reading corner
Homework support, please bring in the work you would like support with!	Homework support, please bring in the work you would like support with!	Homework support, please bring in the work you would like support with!	Homework support, please bring in the work you would like support with!	Homework support, please bring in the work you would like support with!
Arts and craft Countdown to Christmas Decorations	Maths's activities Christmas One More and One Less	Literacy activities Christmas CVC Words	Free choice artistry area, colouring, sticking, crafting, etc.	EYFS Focus 2D Shape Christmas Cut and Stick
Legal Board games Giant jigsaw Puzzles Knitting & Cross stitch Arts & Crafts	Legal Board games Giant jigsaw Puzzles Knitting & Cross stitch Arts & Crafts	Legal Board games Giant jigsaw Puzzles Knitting & Cross stitch Arts & Crafts	Legal Board games Giant jigsaw Puzzles Knitting & Cross stitch Arts & Crafts	Legal Board games Giant jigsaw Puzzles Knitting & Cross stitch Arts & Crafts
<b>Adaptations</b>				
Small groups of children will participate in activities with adult supervision to gain access and support where needed				
Weetabix, Rice Krispies and Cornflakes. Hot food will be one of the following: Pancakes with syrup, bagel with scrambled eggs, beans on toast and toast/ crumpets with jam & English muffins				

## ISLINGTON HEALTHY SCHOOL ADVISOR

Please click [here](#) to see community food services available within Islington

Community Food Services - Islington Food Partnership



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## IMPORTANT DATES

- **School Bikeability - Level 2 - Years 5 & 6** Monday 2nd to Thursday 5th of December
- **Year 1, Holly - Forest School** Tuesday 3rd of December
- **Year 1 Holly & Oak class assembly** Thursday 5th of December @ 9.10am
- **Christmas jumper day** Thursday 12th of December
- **PTA Winter fair** Thursday 12th of December @ 3.30 to 5.30pm
- **Christmas performance** Monday 16th of December @ 9.30am EYFS Nativity  
11.00am Years 1 – 3 Xmas performances and 2.30 am Years 4 – 6
- **End of term** Friday 20th of December Children **finish at 1:30pm** - No ASC
- **Return to school** Tuesday 7th of January

To access the school calendar click [here](#).

For a full list of term dates for the academic year please click [here](#).

## STARS OF THE WEEK

**Year 1** Aeizja

**Year 2** Manha and the whole of Pine

**Year 3** Evie, Pippin and Hazel

**Year 4** Berkin and Alyssa

**Year 5** Yasmina and Amanda

**Year 6** Natalia and Yassmin



## ATTENDANCE STATS

Whole school attendance this year: **94.1%**

National average this year: **95%**

Registration Form	Present R/C: Marks	Late R/C: Students
Elm	96.5%	3
Rowan	96%	5
Holly	95.8%	6
Mulberry	94.7%	10
Willow	94.6%	9
Cedar	94.1%	5
Ash	94%	4
Maple	93.3%	8
Pine	92.7%	4
Silver birch	92.6%	6
Palm	91.7%	6
Oak	91.6%	4
Sycamore	91.4%	5
Beech	85.2%	3
Cherry	85%	1
Apple	80.6%	1

## POPCORN PARTY WINNERS



This weeks class with highest attendance is **Elm**. Well done! Enjoy your Popcorn Party next week.

## DON'T FORGET. BE IN, TO WIN

