

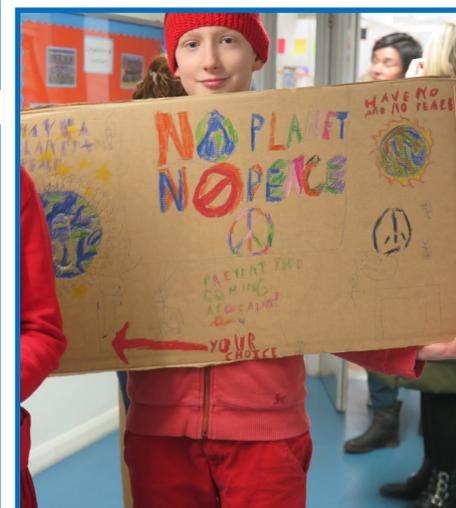
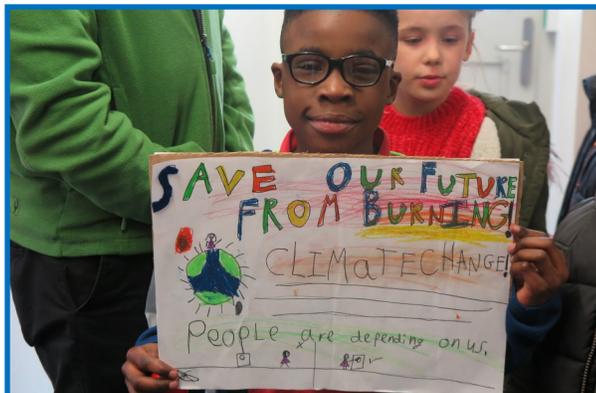
This term has been packed with headline-grabbing experiences. Our **We Care about Climate Change** event in Highbury Fields attracted the Mayor and Green Party Councillor for Islington, with Ambler Primary school joining us to make it a big impact event that was covered by the local newspapers. Our children had the opportunity for powerful thinking and persuasive speaking and it is influencing our school life—today, our Easter Bonnets have been made from reused newspapers and items from our recycling bags, rather than shop-bought items. This newsletter includes our **Sports Supplement**, compiled by Karl Beckford. It has been a special year for sports achievement in competition both locally and beyond, in Gymnastics, Hockey, Football, Swimming, Netball, the list goes on and on. This week the Islington Gazette has reported on the Gold and Silver medals won by Canonbury when we represented Islington in the London Youth Games, competing with 33 teams.

I wish all our families an enjoyable break and look forward to a summer term full of further achievements.

Patrick Milder



Canonbury Climate Change Action



Year 1 Wild and Windy Wetlands

'This term, Year 1 finally made it to Walthamstow Wetlands! We took a stroll around the reservoirs looking at the different wildlife and nature that lived there. We took part in a workshop looking for the insects and mini beasts living around the wetlands. Finally, we looked at the Heronry and even managed to spot some using binoculars!'



Bug hunting!



Using spoons to dig up weeds to examine!

Year 2 In the Garden

In Year 2 we went on a trip to The Garden Classroom, to learn even more about our science topic 'Plants'. On the trip we got up close to a variety of plants, developing our knowledge of the function of roots, stems, leaves and flowers. We also learned about the life-cycle of a plant and what it needs to survive. We particularly enjoyed trying to remember what lots of different plants were called on a plant ID hunt. As well as this, we got up close with some weeds and their roots - which we rinsed and examined closely under microscopes.

Year 3 Rainforest Bounty

Year 3 made tropical fruit salad as the exit point to our topic 'The Rainforest'. We used knives to prepare our own fruit- including Jamaican chocho and starfruit- neither of which any of us had ever tasted before. The children were passionate about saving our planet's beautiful rainforests and made sure that the fruit they brought in were either Fair Trade or Rainforest Alliance approved!



Eating the fruits of our labour



Year 5— Paper Castles

Year 5 Walls and Barricades

To end our walls and barricades topic Year 5 were given paper, glue, sellotape and string to make castles (including all its features) out of paper. The results were amazing!

Year 6 Hey Guacamole!

Year 6 have been making guacamole with Lorena! We have learned the recipe in Spanish, in the form of a very catchy song, and today we all got a taste with tortilla chips and pitta bread. Delicious!



Year 6—taste testing!



Cracking the codes in Reception Clas-

Reception Healthy & Safe!

As part of our learning about ways to keep healthy and safe, the children used their knowledge of healthy and unhealthy foods to create art and interactive multimedia games, wherein their characters had to select one of the food types and discard the other to win points.

Nursery

Ducklings get cracking in Nursery!

This half term we were lucky enough to look after 5 ducklings in the Nursery. We were able to observe them hatching from their eggs and growing into beautiful ducklings! We learnt how to care for them; making sure they had fresh food and water and letting them have a splash around in our water tray. When we could hold them we were patient and gentle, giving us opportunities to talk about how we look after living things in our environment.



Using gentle hands to stroke ducklings



PTA Fundraising News Quiz Night

Well done to Year 6 parents who hosted a fabulous Quiz Night on Thursday 21st March for Canonbury parents and staff. They raised a massive £1404.35 which will pay for the coach for the Year 6 residential activities trip to Condoval Hall.

Diary Dates

Year 3 Swimming:

Hermes Class: 29 April/20 May/10 & 24 June/8 July

Hestia Class: 13 May/3 & 17 June/1 & 15 July

Thursday 25th April—School Council Trip to Houses of Parliament

If you want to learn more about climate change and to hear what can be done, there will be a free public talk given by Extinction Rebellion, exploring what this situation might mean for you and your children.

Wednesday 10th April 7pm @ Hargrave Hall Community Centre N19 5SP

You can also then join them on the **15th of April @ Parliament Square 11am.**

Calling Canonbury Parents (Old & New) Improve Your Football Skills

When? Every Friday Evening ~18.00-19.30

Where? Canonbury Primary School Astro Pitch

Kit? Bring your own ball & suitable footwear
Every few weeks there is a competitive match vs the teachers!

The idea is to enhance skills, gain confidence & general fitness - by working with a ball - trying things you wouldn't normally risk in a competitive game. Playing 5-a-side has been shown to have mental as well as physical health benefits!

All Levels Welcome

Learn Skills (to Counter the Ageing / slowing fitness)

Rehabilitate yourself after injury

Work on our Skill of the Week - Cruyff Turns etc :-)

Play a practice Match 18.45-19.15 Hrs

Access the wider Canonbury Dads Football Network

Come Along on Fridays!

To register your interest please contact:

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Sporting News

Canonbury make history by winning Gold at London Youth Games!

Our Canonbury Hockey Team made history last Thursday at the LYG by winning gold for Islington; an achievement that hasn't been accomplished in 21 years! But NEVER at Primary School level! After winning the borough hockey tournament in style earlier this spring all of the children had high hopes and were full of confidence going into the finals.

We started the day strong and eased through the first three games of the competition by comfortable margins, beating Barking & Dagenham, Hounslow and Harrow scoring 17 goals along the way. Canonbury made light work of the second group phase, by beating Walthamstow 5-3, Newham 6-2 and Battersea 4-3.

Our team went from strength to strength as they won their quarter-final against Bromley comfortably 9-2, then defeated Wandsworth 2-1 in the Semi-finals. A match that saw our team show amazing skill, determination and maturity to secure a place in the final, where they would face the only other unbeaten team, Hillingdon.



Simona, Ralph M, Malachi, Ralph T, Abigail & Sude celebrate

The team were able to impose themselves on the game and show their quality, with star player Malachi turning up the heat and driving the team forward which resulted in a 5-1 win for a stunning London Youth Games gold medal. The London Youth games is the biggest youth tournament in Europe, with over 500 Schools competing in each sport, with Canonbury now sitting right at the top, an achievement we should all be proud of.



Chloe, Savannah, Ceren, Sude, Niamh, Simona, Abigail, Sophia and Hannah—showing off their Silver medals!

Girls win Silver at London Youth Games!

Canonbury topped their group in the girls' football at the London Youth Games, scoring seven goals without reply to reach the last 16. The girls then had a comfortable 3-0 win over Harin-gey and moved into the quarter-finals against Lambeth, where they won a much tighter game by a 1-0 margin.

Another strong performance against Barking & Dagenham in the semi-finals secured a 2-0 win and set up a final against Bexley. The final was a tense affair, but unfortunately our girls lost narrowly 1-0. The girls were disappointed to fall at the final hurdle but immensely proud of their silver medal.



Girls Football team are regional champions!

Our Girls football team showed great character to become regional champions and secure a place in the national finals in May, after losing in the final of the LYG earlier in the week.

Our team kicked off this journey in September by winning the Borough tournament and coming out on top in the county competition in January. The first phase of the regional finals saw us play games against Surrey, Herne Bay and Norfolk in the group, winning all three games 1-0, 2-0 and 2-0.

This set up a final mini-league of three teams, Inner London (Canonbury), Essex and Middlesex. Drawing our first match with Essex 0-0 and Essex beating Middlesex 1-0 meant that in order to win the group, we would have to win our final group game by a goal difference of 2. The girls stepped up to the challenge by beating Middlesex 2-0, both goals score by Sude Oztas. This will now see us represent London in the National finals at Birmingham FC City stadium.

Our girls are now officially one of the top 8 teams in England and stand every chance of representing England if they can manage to come out on top in May.

COME ON GIRLS!

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Silver in Tennis at the Islington Competition

Sude, Sophia, Malachi and Leonardo played some fantastic tennis at the Year 5/6 Islington Tournament. Their efforts were rewarded by winning silver medals.

We went through the group stages unbeaten, beating Prior Weston, Montem, Sacred Heart and Copenhagen, to set up a final against William Tyndale, although our team played amazingly well, we narrowly lost 3-1. However the children had a fantastic day and are really proud of their efforts.





Ed, Freddie, Esmie, Emma, Daisy, Louise, Kit, Feruzi Max, Eli, Matilda, Edie, Dottie, Coco and Liam

Silver for year 3/4 Gala team!

Our Year 3 & 4 Swimming Gala Team swam really well in the prelims and secured 15 finalists at the finals at Ironmonger Row, last Friday 29th March.

It was an amazing night for all involved and saw us claim one gold medal, four silver medals and three bronze medals. The children trained really hard for this event and should be really proud with their overall finish in second place, narrowly missing out on first place to Yerbury, by 12 points.

We look forward to seeing their progress next year!

Gymnastics Team win gold and will now represent Islington at the London youth Games in July!

Our Year 3/4 and Year 5/6 Gymnastics teams both won gold at the Islington championships, with scores of 112.3 and 114.0, respectively.

All eighth of our 8 children who participated managed to pick up individual medals, which is an amazing accomplishment.

Edie (28.3) and Brandy (28.0) won gold and Anoushka (28.2) and Bradley (27.8) won silver in the year 3/4 competition whilst Tara (29.4) and Aiden (28.0) won gold, Bernie (27.9) won Silver and Sude (28.8) won Bronze. The children are now looking forward to working really hard and seeing how far they will get at London Youth Games.

Also huge congratulations to our second Year 5/6 team, who finished 4th. Mya and Maya achieving joint 4th in the Individual Girl routine.

