

NEWSLETTER

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CANONBURY
PRIMARY SCHOOL

Create, discover and succeed together

Autumn Half Term

Dear parents and carers,
we have enjoyed a marvellous half term of learning. The highlight has been our Black History Month events, more of which below. I have also been impressed with our children and teachers who have been working very hard together in all other subject areas. Everyone has earned the half-term rest .

Throughout October we have been celebrating Black History Month with the theme 'Proud to Be', learning about some significant historical figures who have shown leadership in their field. All classes gathered their knowledge together to present a biography of their chosen person in Assembly. In this way the children were able to learn about a range of black people in history and the present and their inspirational achievements. Videos of the performances are on ClassDojo. Some assembly photos on the right.

Yr 1: Lewis Hamilton – Racing Driver – British
Nicola Adams – boxer – British

Yr 2: Venus and Serena Williams – Tennis players- American
Floella Benjamin – TV presenter – 1949- Trinidadian British

Yr 3: Louis Armstrong – Jazz Musician – 1901-1971 – American
Dr Mae Jemison – Astronaut – 1956- American

Yr 4: Lucius Septimius Severus – First Black Roman Emperor
Garrett Morgan – 1877-1963 – inventor – American
Dwayne McDuffie – comic book Author/ publisher- 1962-2011-American

Yr 5: Paul Stephenson – Activist – 1937 – (Bristol buses)- British
Diane Abbott – Politician- British

Yr 6: Lilian Bader -1918-2015- first black woman to join the British Armed forces-British

Patrick Mirdren



Year 3 Hermes Assembly—Louis Armstrong



Year 4 learning about the Romans



Online safety

As we take a break for a week, please keep your digital balance in mind.

Keep yourself engaged with the great, creative apps and platforms there are online.

Use your LGFL logins to explore their database of amazing apps.

Remember, get outside, keep active and healthy. Take up a new hobby or explore what nature has outside.

Enjoy both on and offline activities to keep your brains buzzing and bodies moving. With this time at home, keep aware of what your children are doing on their devices or online. Take some time to have some conversations and learn about what they are exposing themselves to online. See what they like to interact with, learn alongside them and build a bridge of conversation over their activities, keeping them safe and aware for what is suitable to be using online. Support and explore together.

With our screen time, bedtime is also important. Sleep is necessary to give us rest and to switch off our minds to relax. Try something new before bed; read a book, complete a drawing, or try some meditation or breathing. If sleeping is difficult at home, there is a new helpline for families you can try:

Open 5 nights a week, Sunday to Thursday, 7-9pm 03303 530 541

<https://thesleepcharity.org.uk/national-sleep-helpline/>



Fireworks Night

We look forward to seeing you at our first on-site community event this year!

Tickets are now sold out and admission is by wristband entry only.

Thank you to all the parents who have volunteered for the evening as stewards, BBQ chefs and bar staff, etc—we couldn't pull it off without you.

If you are coming to the event please bring cash in small denominations— £5, £2, £1, 50ps.

Please remember—no sparklers are allowed.

Notices

A reminder of our guidance on healthy eating at pick up time:

Canonbury Playground
Healthy Eating at all times



Fresh Fruit



Crisps
Sweets Biscuits
Processed fruit snacks
Drinks



Our **Healthy Packed Lunch** leaflet is on the website [here](#) so parents can remind themselves of the guidance. **No Crisps** -we are seeing packets of crisps in many packed lunches—crisps have a red traffic light for obvious health reasons and are not allowed in packed lunches. **No Nuts** because they are a risk for children with nut allergies. Thank you for supporting us to be a healthy school.

No crisps or nuts in packed lunches

Diary Dates

Monday 1 November	Autumn Term 2 begins
Tuesday 2 November	Year 2 School Trip to Kew Gardens
Thursday 4 November	Year 6 Online Safety Parent & Pupil Workshop—9-9.30am
Thursday 4 November	Fireworks Night—6.30-8pm (ticket holders only)
Monday 8 & Tuesday 9 November	Parents Evening Meetings online via SchoolCloud (not Yr 3 Hestia)
Wednesday 10 November	Parents Evening Meetings online via SchoolCloud Year 3 Hestia ONLY
Wednesday 24 November	Year 3 School Trip to Celtic Harmony—Stone Age Camp
Friday 3 December 2021	Year 5 Trip to the Science Museum
Tuesday 7 December	Christmas Concert - Union Chapel (Yrs1-6)
Wednesday 8 December	Nursery—Christmas Performance
Thursday 9 & Friday 10 December	Reception—Christmas Performances
Friday 17 December 2021	Last Day of Autumn Term —break for Christmas holiday 1.45pm
Wednesday 5 January 2022	First Day of Spring Term for pupils