

17th May 2024

Newsletter

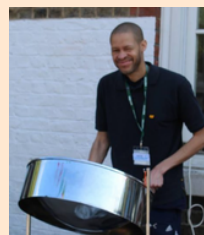


International Food Afternoon 2024

Next Wednesday, 22nd May, 3.15-4.45pm

Bring a dish that is special to your family
Enjoy music, food and fun in the sun

Yes, it's time for our famous International Food Festival where we come together to share dishes and have a fun time. Just bring a dish - as simple or complicated as you like. Last year there were dishes representing over 30 countries of the world! With music, henna, face painting and more, it promises to be a fantastic event - see the pictures below from last year to remind you.



Year 6 smash SATs week!

Congratulations to our courageous and cool Year 6 who have powered their way through a week of tests. Next stop, Chessington!



Year 6 – Key Dates for your Diary

Monday 20 May - Chessington - end of SATs treat for Yr 6 – backaround 5:30 pm – packed lunch required

Fridays: 7 June – 19 July – Year 6 – Swimming Assessments – Highbury Pool

Summer Concert - Union Chapel - Tuesday 2 July - 11.15am-12.45pm

Sports Day - Highbury Fields - Wednesday 3 July: Year 6 helping AM - Sports PM

Friday 12 July - Islington Boat Club (separate letter to follow)

Wednesday 17 July – Year 6 Production – Bottom Hall at Canonbury

- Matinee performance at 2pm - Evening performance at 7pm

- children to be back at school for 6pm for make-up & costumes

Tuesday 23 July – Yr 6 Leavers' Assembly – 5.30pm-6.30pm – parents and children to attend (children come dressed in their finery ready for the Prom)

Followed by: Leavers' Ball – 6.30pm-8.30pm – Bottom Hall

- parents to provide dessert & decorate hall earlier in afternoon

more news on the website- [click here](#)



Key Dates for your Diary

International Food Afternoon - Wednesday 22nd May

Monday 27 - Friday 31 May - Summer Half Term Holiday

Monday 3 June - Inset Day - School closed to pupils for staff training

School Class Photos - Tuesday 11 June - 9am-12.30pm - Playground (weather permitting)

Year 2 Silver Birch Class - Assembly - Thursday 20 June - 9.10am - Bottom Hall

Year 2 Beech Class - Assembly - Friday 21 June - 9.10am - Bottom Hall

Year 3 Bay Class - Swimming Lessons @ Highbury Pool - Monday 17 to Friday 28 June (2 weeks)

Year 3 Lime Class - Swimming Lessons @ Highbury Pool - Monday 1 to Friday 12 July (2 weeks)

Year 5 trip to the British Museum - Monday 24 June (packed lunch required)

Year 4 Assembly - Fashion Show - Wednesday 26 June - 9.10am - Playground

Year 1 trip to London Zoo - Tuesday 25 June (packed lunch required)

Summer Concert - Union Chapel - Tuesday 2 July - 11.15am-12.45pm (Whole School)

Sports Day - Highbury Fields - Wednesday 3 July:

09:45 - 12.00: Years 1, 2 and 3 – leaving school at 09:15

10:00 - 11:45: Nursery and Reception – leaving school at 09:30

12:00 - 12.45: Whole School Picnic - All children will need a packed lunch and plenty of water

12:45 - 15.15: Years 4, 5 and 6 – leaving school at 11:45

Year 3 Lime Class - Assembly - Thursday 4 July - 9.10am - Top Hall

Year 5 Assemblies - Wednesday 10 and Thursday 11 July - Top Hall

Year 1 Chestnut - Assembly - Thursday 11 July - 9.10am - Bottom Hall

Year 1 Pear Class - Assembly - Friday 12 July - 9.10am - Bottom Hall

Year 3 Bay Class - Assembly - Thursday 18 July - 9.10am - Top Hall

Reception Classes - Trip to Camley Street Nature Reserve - Tuesday 9th July

Year 2 trip to Margate seaside - Thursday 11th July (packed lunch & buckets & spades required!)

Last Day of Term - Wednesday 24 July 2024

PTA DATES

PTA meeting - Friday 7 June - 9.10am - Art Room

Year 3 Cake Stall - Friday 14 June - 3.15-4.30pm

Summer Scorcher - Summer Fair - Friday 5 July - 3.15-5.00pm - Playground

Midsummer Disco - Thursday 20 June - Rec, Yr1 & 2: 5-6pm - Yrs 3, 4, 5 & 6: 6.15-7.30pm

Inset Days 2024-25

Monday 2 September 2024

Monday 6 January 2025

Monday 2 June 2025

Monday 21st July 2025

Tuesday 22nd July 2025

Friday 18 July 2025 - last day of term for children in Summer Term 2025

Attendance, Punctuality & Superstar Winners

School Attendance

🎯 Islington target is 96%

Canonbury this week: 95.8%

Attendance Trophy

Rec - Cherry Class 98.5%

Y1/2 - Beech Tree Class 98%

Y3/4 - Lime Tree Class 100%

Y5/6 - Ash Tree Class 98.2%



Punctuality Trophy

Reception - Cherry Class 94 Mins

Y1/2 - Silver Birch Class - 45 Mins

Y3/4 - London Plane Class - 101 Mins

Y5/6 - Sycamore, Oak & Ash Class - 0 Mins



Canonbury Superstars

This Week

- Year 1 Chestnut - Elaine
- Year 1 Pear - Christian
- Year 2 Beech - Nina
- Year 2 Silver Birch - Pia
- Year 3 Bay - Mia
- Year 3 Lime - Reggie A
- Year 4 Hawthorn - Emilia
- Year 4 London Plane - Misha
- Year 5 Hornbeam - Edward
- Year 5 Sycamore - Isabella
- Year 6 Ash - Amani
- Year 6 Oak - Rashid

Hi parents/carers of young people at Canonbury Primary School. My name is **Uma** and I have recently joined **Bright Futures**, a service offered by Islington Council to support young people and their families.

Is your young person...

-struggling academically?

-facing anxieties around attending school?

-struggling with morning routines and arriving late for school?

-presenting challenging behaviour at home?



I will be at the school gate every **Thursday morning at 8:45am** to have a friendly chat about what we

offer. I can signpost you to other services, offer information, advice, and guidance, book a meeting with you and the school, and offer you a safe space to discuss what might be going on.

I know it can feel overwhelming and daunting at times to reach out, but no struggle is too small- we all need a little help sometimes



Run Canonbury Run is back on Sunday 7 July!

Run, skip or walk around Highbury Fields and help raise funds for Canonbury Primary

This is a fantastic community event organised by Run Kids Run where pupils from 20 primary schools in Islington will run 2K around the fields.

It is free to join, there will be lots of music, medals and friends! We are hoping to have many Canonbury kids run as sponsorship will be directly linked to participation rate.

What are we raising funds for

The Foundation has helped fund projects such as the impressive new Glade area and the fantastic Canonbury village playground.

This year we are focused on funding:

- Extra music provision exclusive to Canonbury including Apollo music
- Provision of brass instruments for every child in years 5 and 6, and a recorder for every child in years 3 and 4
- Hiring the Union Chapel for the bi-annual school concerts
- Maintenance of percussion instruments across the school

About the Foundation

The Canonbury School Foundation was set up in 1995 to help enrich the lives of Canonbury Primary School students and provide equipment and activities additional to what the schools budget would normally cover.

We fund a broad range of projects and aim to ensure that no child misses out on opportunities to grow and flourish during their time at Canonbury.

We raise money by running fundraising events, seeking contributions from parents and local businesses, and applying for grant funding.

For more information on what we do or how to contribute please email us on canonburyfoundation@gmail.com





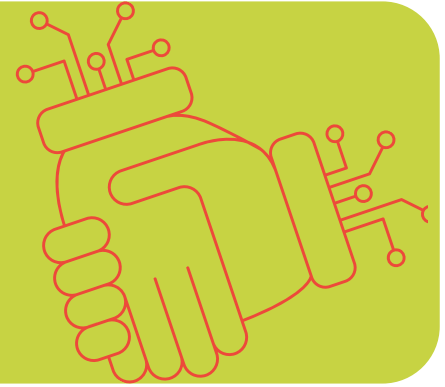
Digital Charter



CANONBURY
PRIMARY SCHOOL

Create, discover and succeed together

At Canonbury, we want to encourage a 'Healthy Digital Diet'. We want to promote a positive digital balance. As a result, we have developed our very own 'Digital Charter'



Digital-free meal times



**Books at bedtime
(no tech in the bedroom)**



Be kind and responsible online and offline



**Be Creators
NOT Consumers**



**Be smart
balance screen time
with daily exercise**



**Think before
you share**

FREE SWIMMING LESSONS IN ISLINGTON

Throughout the school holidays and in partnership with Islington Council, we are proud to be able to offer a variety of free swimming lessons for children and families. Lessons will run during Easter, May Half Term, Summer and October Half Term. Sessions include:

- Adult and child swimming lessons: 6-week course for under 3's *Summer holiday only
- Swimming lessons for 4 -13-year-olds, intensive lessons, Monday - Friday for 1 or 2 weeks
- Teen swimming lessons 13 -16-year-olds, intensive lessons, Monday - Friday for 1 or 2 weeks
- Family swimming lessons, 6-week course for up to 2 adults and 2 children to learn to swim together and enjoy the pool together *Summer holiday only

To apply please scan **QR code** or visit website at **better.org.uk/free-swimming-lessons**

You can email for more information at **summer.lessons@gll.org**



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Everyone needs a little help sometimes

We know that being a parent is not always easy and that all families need support at some stage as children grow up

Bright Futures works with families who have children 5-19

We will work with you and your family to help you make lasting positive change and get the most out of family life

'Things right now are good. There have been quite a few challenges, but I feel stronger and more capable than I have for a while.'

- Bright Futures parent



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Term dates for 2023/2024

AUTUMN TERM	Inset Day 1 – Monday 4th September 2023 Inset day 2 – Tuesday 5th September 2023
Autumn term 1	Wednesday 6th September 2023 - Friday 20th October 2023
<i>Half-term</i>	<i>Monday 23rd October 2023 - Friday 27th October 2023</i>
Autumn term 2	Monday 30th October 2023 - Thursday 21st December 2023
<i>Christmas break</i>	<i>Friday 22nd December 2023 - Friday 5th January 2024</i>
SPRING TERM	Inset Day 3 – Monday 8th January 2024
Spring term 1	Tuesday 9th January 2024 - Friday 9th February 2024
<i>Half-term</i>	<i>Monday 12th February 2024 - Friday 16th February 2024</i>
Spring term 2	Monday 19th February 2024 - Thursday 28th March 2024
<i>Easter break</i>	<i>Friday 29th March 2024 - Friday 12th April 2024 (Easter weekend: Friday 29th March - Monday 1st April 2024)</i>
SUMMER TERM	Inset Day 4 – Monday 22nd April 2024 Inset Day 5 – Monday 3rd June 2024
Summer term 1	Monday 15th April 2024 - Friday 24th May 2024 (May Day Bank Holiday is on Monday 6 May 2024)
<i>Half-term</i>	<i>Monday 27th May 2024 - Friday 31st May 2024 (Spring Bank Holiday will be taken on 27 May 2024)</i>
Summer term 2	Tuesday 4th June 2024 – Wednesday 24th July 2024
<i>Summer break</i>	<i>Thursday 25th July 2024 - Monday 2nd September 2024</i>



Did you know Islington Council have a short-term fund for people in work who rent their home?

To apply to the fund for a one off payment of £250

YOU MUST

- live in Islington
- pay rent
- be in employment
- less than £50,000 gross household earnings
- Combined household of savings of less than £5,000

PROVIDE PROOF OF

- rent - tenancy agreement or letter from landlord
- savings- recent bank statements for every household member
- earnings - recent payslip for every household member

If you think you might be eligible please visit
<https://www.islington.gov.uk/benefits-and-support/cost-of-living-support/help-for-renters-who-are-working>

Alternatively please contact the office who can arrange for you to meet with Bright Futures for support to complete the form.

Free, confidential advice to maximise your income

Contact the council for friendly advice and support. We can help you work out what benefits and financial support you are entitled to, whether you will be better off in work, including the affordability of childcare, and we can help you to make a claim.

Call **020 7527 8222**

Email heretohelp@islington.gov.uk

Visit www.islington.gov.uk/moneyadvice

Get help finding and paying for childcare

Our Family Information Service (FIS) can help with:

- Free early education for 2, 3 and 4 year olds
- Childcare for under 5s, including childminders and Islington's funded nurseries, and childcare for over 5s - after-school and holidays
- 30 hours free childcare
- Tax-free childcare
- Childcare through Universal Credit
- Islington Childcare Bursary

Call **020 7527 5959**; email fis@islington.gov.uk or visit www.islington.gov.uk/FIS

Apply for a Childcare Bursary

If you live in Islington, are claiming benefits and have a child aged 0-16 (or up to 18 with disabilities) who needs childcare, you may be entitled to a Childcare Bursary. The bursary is there to help parents who are starting work, a work placement, or short-term training to pay for childcare. It does not need to be paid back.

Call **020 7527 5891** or visit www.islington.gov.uk/childcarebursary

Help with your energy bills

Our energy advice team can provide guidance on reducing energy bills and speaking to your energy suppliers regarding utility debt and billing issues, help you apply for water discounts, support with energy efficiency grant applications and signpost to other public health interventions. To speak to a member of the SHINE team:

Call **0300 555 0195** or **020 7527 2121** lines are open 9am-5pm, Monday-Friday.

Or text **07800 006 143** or visit shine-london.org.uk

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If your household income is feeling the squeeze, you'll find a wide range of support online at www.islington.gov.uk/costofliving



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