

Dear Winton Families,

We hope you had a lovely half term. It was fantastic to see Winton in the Islington Gazette over the break.

Islington primary schools celebrate being named World Class Schools

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Children from the schools celebrated the news.

Winton in King's Cross and Hugh Myddelton in Clerkenwell received the WCSQM - which aims to recognise schools beyond an Outstanding Ofsted rating - for excellent performance in Key Stage 2 exams and successfully completing an assessment centre event.

Parents and local councillors were invited to attend Friday morning's assembly, which featured a choir made up of pupils from both schools performing *Free* by Emeli Sandé and *P!nk's What About Us?*.

WCSQM founder and co-director Miranda Perry was at the event to explain what made the two schools stand out.

"I think the passion of the pupils is really evident," she said. "Many schools have a tokenistic 'character' but here the children really buy into it."

"They understand how they are viewed externally without being prompted by staff and have a real ability to be independent and confident because they are trusted to do so. It's inspiring."

Particularly impressive was the pupils' articulate, enthusiastic and friendly nature, credited in part by Winton Headteacher Claire Brown to the schools' prioritisation of 'Philosophy for Children' lessons, which aim to develop classroom oracy.

To read the full article: <https://www.islingtongazette.co.uk/news/education/islington-primary-schools-celebrate-being-named-world-class-schools-1-6517768>

Don't forget: World Book Day is on Thursday 5th March. Please come to school dressed as your favourite book character.



Parents are invited to join their child in class to read a story with them on Thursday 5th March between 2:30-3:00pm.



ANGEL SHED INCLUSIVITY THROUGH THEATRE



Angel Shed Theatre is offering a limited amount of **free** places for their fully inclusive, creative performing arts session in the Summer term 2020 for children in years one and two.

The sessions will take place on Mondays from 4-5pm at G41 Drama Studio, City and Islington College, 444 Camden Road, N7 0SP. The sessions cover art, drama, acting, music, singing, dance, storytelling and will end with an informal sharing to family members.

The sessions are delivered by artistic professionals fully trained in working with children. To sign up, parents should email info@angelshedtheatre.org.uk or call 020 7700 8689.

Our Key Stage 1 and 2 stars this week are:





Winton Friends Update

Don't forget: Wednesday 4th March – Coffee morning in the top hall 9-10 with 'The Parent House'.

WINTON TOY LIBRARY



Please come along to the 'Winton Friends Toy Library' every Thursday.

We have tried to create toy bags that help the children interact with family members and carers and also to play with other children.

The bags contain items that stimulate play and encourage conversation, they are designed to explore a range of senses and build learning skills.

HOW TO USE THE TOY LIBRARY

- Choose a toy bag.



- Sign the toy bag out.



- Return the toy bag & sign it back in.



- Choose a new toy bag to take home.



Advance Notice:

Coffee mornings:

1st April

6th May

3rd June

1st July

Summer Fair: Friday 26th June 2-4pm



Coffee Morning at The Parent House

Monday 2nd March 2020

10.00- 11.00am

Come and find out more about what we do and what's new.

Term Dates

2019/2020

School breaks up for the holidays on Friday 3rd April

SUMMER TERM 2020

School starts back on Monday 20th April

School breaks up for half term on Friday 22nd May

Half term is Monday 25th May – Friday 29th May 2020

School starts back after half term on Monday 1st June

School breaks up for the holidays on Friday 17th July

May Bank holiday: Friday 8th May 2020 (no school)

Term Dates 2020/2021 Academic Year for Children **Autumn Term**

School starts back Monday 7th September 2020

School breaks up for half term on Friday 23rd October

Half term: Monday 26 October - Friday 30 October 2020

School starts back on Monday 2nd November

School breaks up for the holidays on Friday 18 December

Spring Term

School starts back Monday 4 January 2021

School breaks up for half term on Friday 12th February

Half term: Monday 15 February - Friday 19 February 2021

School starts back on Monday 22nd February

School breaks up for the holidays on Wednesday, 31 March 2021

Summer Term

School starts back on Monday 19 April 2021

School breaks up for half term on Friday 28th May

Half term: Monday 31 May - Friday 4 June 2021

School starts back on Monday 7th June

School breaks up for the summer on Friday 23 July 2021

May Bank holiday: Monday 3 May 2021

Total number of days: 195

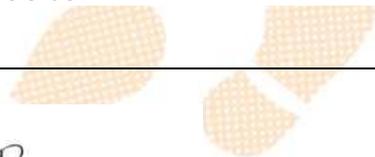
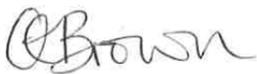
INSET days: No school for children

Wednesday 2.09.2020

Thursday 3.09.2020

Friday 4.09.2020

+ 2 to be set



Claire Brown (Headteacher)