

Pelham Primary School

Newsletter Friday 7th February 2025



Dear Parents/Carers,

Science Assembly

The science assembly this week was absolutely explosive! The children (and staff!) were captivated by the fascinating demonstrations of chemical reactions using everyday foods. From erupting "volcanoes" of Coca-Cola and mentos to the surprising energy released from seemingly simple ingredients, the assembly brought science to life in a truly engaging way. It was a fantastic reminder of how much exciting learning can be found in the most unexpected places, and I'm sure it sparked a lot of budding scientists in the audience.

London Zoo Trip

I was delighted to join Year 5 on their exciting trip to the London Zoo. It was a wonderful opportunity to see the children's enthusiasm and curiosity firsthand as they explored the diverse animal kingdom, paying particular attention to those found in the Rainforest. I was particularly impressed by their insightful questions and observations, which demonstrated their keen interest in learning about different species and their habitats. The trip provided a memorable and enriching experience for both the students and myself, fostering a deeper appreciation for wildlife and conservation.

Learning Showcases

The Year 1 and Year 2 parent learning showcases have been a resounding success! It was wonderful to see so many families engaging with their children's learning and celebrating their achievements. The children's enthusiasm was infectious as they proudly shared their work and demonstrated their progress. The showcases provided a valuable opportunity for parents to gain insights into the curriculum and the children's learning journey, fostering a strong partnership between home and school. The creativity and effort displayed by both the children and staff were truly impressive, making these events a highlight of the school term. We look forward to seeing all other Year groups parents next week (and Year 4 today).

Class Dojo

It's fantastic to see Class Dojo being used so effectively across the school, creating a vibrant and engaging learning community. Teachers are utilizing its features creatively to celebrate achievements, share learning updates, and communicate with parents. Even more encouraging is the high level of parent engagement, with many families actively following their children's progress, commenting on posts, and utilizing the platform for communication. This strong home-school connection, facilitated by Class Dojo, is undoubtedly contributing to the children's success and fostering a supportive learning environment.

Best wishes,

Mr Robison
Executive Head Teacher/ Director of Standards

**There has been some
confusion over
FRIDAY 14th
FEBRUARY
Please note school is
OPEN
as usual**

Dates for your Diary



Monday 10th February 2025	Tuesday 11th February 2025	Wednesday 12th February 2025	Thursday 13th February 2025	Friday 14th February 2025
2.30pm Year 5 Learning Showcase		Nursery Family Fun Morning 9.30am— 11.15am Nursery Family Fun Afternoon 2.00pm— 3.30pm 2.30pm Year 3 Learning Showcase	Reception Family Fun Morning 9.30am Nourish Catering Theme Lunch Day (see page 4) 2.30pm Year 6 Learning Showcase	Year R - Ladybirds trip to Postal Museum Last Day of Term

Attendance % & Number of Children Late

For w/e: 07/02/25



Challenge— Let's hit the 96% mark for all classes. Those classes who have had the biggest improvement will win a prize!

Caterpillars	84.7%	6
Bumblebees	99.5%	1
Ladybirds	91.5%	3
Butterflies	95.7%	2
Dragonflies	94.0%	1
Kangaroos	94.8%	1
Koalas	95.9%	2
Penguins	91.3%	1
Polar Bears	96.7%	4
Flamingos	98.4%	3
Pelicans	98.5%	1
Giraffes	95.6%	1
Zebra	96.1%	4
Parakeets	93.7%	1
Starlings	95.4%	2

Menu

WEEKLY MENUS

NOURISH
GROW WITH US

NOVEMBER 2024
TO MARCH 2025

LOOK OUT FOR
OUR THEMED DAYS!

WEEK ONE

4TH NOVEMBER

2ND DECEMBER

6TH JANUARY

3RD FEBRUARY

10TH MARCH

WEEK TWO

11TH NOVEMBER

9TH DECEMBER

13TH JANUARY

10TH FEBRUARY

17TH MARCH

WEEK THREE

18TH NOVEMBER

16TH DECEMBER

20TH JANUARY

24TH FEBRUARY

24TH MARCH

WEEK FOUR

25TH NOVEMBER

30TH DECEMBER

27TH JANUARY

3RD MARCH

31ST MARCH

FRIDAY

Fish Fingers 1,8
Cheese & Tomato Puff 1,7, V
Jackets with a Choice of Toppings 7,8,9
Chips, Peas, Baked Beans, Coleslaw 9
Ginger Biscuit 1,15 VG
Yoghurt 3,7
Fruit Pots VG

THURSDAY

Chicken Arabiatta Pasta 1
Biryani Balls in a Curry Sauce 1 VG
Jackets with a Choice of Toppings 7,8,9
Seasonal Vegetables
Chocolate & Vanilla Cake 1,7
Mr Nourish Biscuit 1 VG
Yoghurt 3,7, Fruit Pots VG

WEDNESDAY

Roast Turkey & Gravy
Falafel Burger 1,5 VG
Jackets with a Choice of Toppings 7,8,9
Rustic Roast Potatoes or Jollof Rice
Cauliflower, Broccoli
Fruit Jelly VG
Mr Nourish Biscuit 1 VG
Yoghurt 3,7, Fruit Pots VG

TUESDAY

Beef Stew & Dumpling 1
Pesto Pasta Bake 1,7 V
Jackets with a Choice of Toppings 7,8,9
Herby Bread 1,3,7,9, Green Beans, Carrots
Apple Crumble 1 VG & Custard 7
Mr Nourish Biscuit 1 VG
Fruit Pots VG

MONDAY

Cheese & Bean Lasagne 1,3,4,7,9 V
Sweet Potato & Chick Pea Curry VG
Jackets with a Choice of Toppings 7,8,9
Rice, Sweetcorn, Peppers
Rice Pudding & Syrup 7
Mr Nourish Biscuit 1 VG
Fruit Pots VG

Salmon Fish Cake 1,7,8
Margherita Pizza 1,3,7,9 V
Jackets with a Choice of Toppings 7,8,9
Chips, Peas, Baked Beans, Carrot Sticks
Jaffa Biscuit 1 VG
Yoghurt 3,7
Fruit Pots VG

Macaroni Cheese 1,7 V
Rice & Bean Burrito 1 VG
Jackets with a Choice of Toppings 7,8,9
Baked Wedges, Green Beans, Cauliflower
Fruit Loaf 1,3,7,9
Mr Nourish Biscuit 1 VG
Yoghurt 3,7, Fruit Pots VG

Roast Chicken & Gravy
Vegan Sausage Roll 1 VG
Jackets with a Choice of Toppings 7,8,9
Rustic Roast Potatoes or Jollof Rice
Cabbage, Sweetcorn
Chocolate Crispy Cake 1,3,7,16
Mr Nourish Biscuit 1 VG
Yoghurt 3,7, Fruit Pots VG

Mild Chilli 4
Pesto & Pea Penne 1,7 V
Jackets with a Choice of Toppings 7,8,9
Rice, Seasonal Vegetables
Toffee Apple Pudding 1 VG & Custard 7
Mr Nourish Biscuit 1 VG
Fruit Pots VG

Chicken & Sweetcorn Pie 1
Herby Tomato Pasta Twists 1 VG
Jackets with a Choice of Toppings 7,8,9
New Potatoes, Carrots, Peas
Ice Cream 7
Mr Nourish Biscuit 1 VG
Fruit Pots VG

Sausages 1,6
Quorn Sausage 1 VG
Jackets with a Choice of Toppings 7,8,9
Chips, Peas
Baked Beans, Roasted Onions
Apple Piejack 1,15 VG
Yoghurt 3,7, Fruit Pots VG

Sweet Chilli Chicken Noodles 1,3,16
Potato & Vegetable Cake
with Tomato Sauce VG
Jackets with a Choice of Toppings 7,8,9
Garlic Bread 1,3,7,9, Seasonal Vegetables
Cinnamon Roll 1,3,7,9
Mr Nourish Biscuit 1 VG
Yoghurt 3,7, Fruit Pots VG

Savoury Mince & Yorkshire Puddings 1,7,9
Samosa Puff 1 VG
Jackets with a Choice of Toppings 7,8,9
Rustic Roast Potatoes, Cabbage, Peas
Fruit Jelly VG
Mr Nourish Biscuit 1 VG
Yoghurt 3,7, Fruit Pots VG

Cheese & Onion Pinwheel 1,7 V
Spaghetti Vegetable Bolognese 1 VG
Jackets with a Choice of Toppings 7,8,9
New Potatoes, Green Beans, Carrots
Syrup Sponge 1 VG & Custard 7
Mr Nourish Biscuit 1 VG
Fruit Pots VG

Katsu Chicken Nugget 1
Cheesy Pasta Bake 1,7 V
Jackets with a Choice of Toppings 7,8,9
Rice, Sweetcorn, Peppers
Chocolate Whip 7
Mr Nourish Biscuit 1 VG
Fruit Pots VG

Fish Fingers 1,8
Bruschetta 1,7 V
Jackets with a Choice of Toppings 7,8,9
Chips, Peas, Baked Beans, Coleslaw 9
Coconut Cookie 1,7
Yoghurt 3,7
Fruit Pots VG

Bolognese Penne Pasta 1
Cheesy Cajun Wedges 4,7 V
Jackets with a Choice of Toppings 7,8,9
Cauliflower, Broccoli
Jam & Vanilla Cake 1 VG
Mr Nourish Biscuit 1 VG
Yoghurt 3,7, Fruit Pots VG

Roast Chicken & Gravy
Chinese Tofu wrap 1,3,16 VG
Jackets with a Choice of Toppings 7,8,9
Rustic Roast Potatoes or Jollof Rice
Green Beans, Carrots
Ice Cream 7
Mr Nourish Biscuit 1 VG
Yoghurt 3,7, Fruit Pots VG

Chicken Curry
Tomato Spaghetti 1 VG
Jackets with a Choice of Toppings 7,8,9
Rice, Seasonal Vegetables
Banana Loaf 1 VG & Chocolate Custard 7
Mr Nourish Biscuit 1 VG
Fruit Pots VG

Margherita Pizza 1,3,7,9 V
Meatfree Meatballs in Tomato Sauce VG
Jackets with a Choice of Toppings 7,8,9
Rainbow Pasta 1 VG, Sweetcorn, Peppers
Strawberry Mousse 7
Mr Nourish Biscuit 1 VG
Fruit Pots VG

EAT YOUR VEGGIES!

NON-PORK
3 OPTIONS

AVAILABLE DAILY: Selection of Salads 9, Homemade Bread 1,3,7,9. Some of our schools may use pre-prepped potatoes or vegetables on occasions. These may contain sulphites and celestic. Please discuss with your manager.

VG Vegan V Vegetarian
1 Wheat Gluten 2 Crustaceans 3 Soybean 4 Mustard 5 Sesame 6 Sulphites/Sulphur Dioxide 7 Milk
8 Fish 9 Egg 10 Peanuts 11 Molluscs 12 Celenaic/Celery 13 Nuts 14 Lupins 15 Oat Gluten 16 Bailey Gluten
A allergen Accreditation

NOURISH
GROW WITH US

Thursday 13th February 2025

PET DAY MENU

Chicken Hot Dogs 1,5,6

Snail Cheese & Onion
Pastry Roll 1,7v

Harry Hamster's Choice of
Jacket Potatoes & Fillings 7,8,9

Purrfect Garlic & Herb Wedges

Slithering Snakes (Green Beans)

Guinea Pig's Selection of Salads 9

Bunny Carrot Cake 1v

Pawty Ring Biscuits 1v6

Gheko's Fruit Pot v6



Information / Reminders



Dear Parents and Carers,

YoungMinds and M&S are inviting young people to enter their brand new design competition. Young people aged 5 - 16 are asked to create a design for a new hoodie or sweatshirt – with the chance to have their design sold in M&S stores across the UK later this year. All profits from the sales will support YoungMinds to help them keep fighting for young people's mental health.

M&S | YOUNGMINDS 

Young Designer Competition

As well as having their design sold at M&S, the winning young person will receive:

an invite with their parent or carer to visit M&S's London support centre and see their design transformed into artwork, or to tour the supplier factory in the Midlands and watch them be printed.

The opportunity to participate in the product launch this September.

Sweatshirts or hoodies for their whole class to wear for Hello Yellow on 10th October.

To take part, young people have been asked to create a design for either a hoodie or a sweatshirt inspired by what they would say to a friend who needs them. Designs must be submitted by **11.59pm on Monday 31st March.**

We've attached a copy of the hoodie and sweatshirt templates in this week's ParentMail. Or your child could do their design on a plain sheet of A4 paper too. Your child can choose to design either a hoodie or a sweatshirt - the choice is theirs!

To find out more about the competition and to submit your child's completed design visit <https://mnsyoungdesignercompetition.powerappsportals.com> or scan the QR code on the left below.

Finally, YoungMinds have resources for parents and carers to find help and advice if you're ever concerned about a child or young person. You can find this on their website (www.youngminds.org.uk/parent) or by using the QR code on the right below.



M&S competition webpage



YoungMinds parent and carer resources



Pelham Primary School

Nursery 2025

Tour Dates



Is your child due to start
Nursery in 2025?

Come and visit our **engaging, friendly and inclusive** Nursery. Speak to our staff and children, view our amazing learning environments and have a tour of our extensive outside space.

TOURS

Tuesday 28th January

9.30am

Thursday 27th February

2.30pm

Wednesday 5th March

9.30am

Wednesday 12th March

5.00pm

BOOK YOURS NOW

For more information or to book a place please contact:

pelhamadmin@illuminate minds.org

0208 303 6556

TERM DATES for 2024/25

August 2024						
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September 2024						
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October 2024						
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November 2024						
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December 2024						
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January 2025						
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February 2025						
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March 2025						
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April 2025						
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May 2025						
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June 2025						
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27	30					

July 2025						
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KEY: **INSET DAYS** **HOLIDAYS**

UPCOMING PSFA EVENTS

FEB

14

WEAR A COLOUR YOU LOVE DAY:

Non-school uniform day
£1 contribution

FEB

27

MOVIE NIGHT: DESPICABLE ME 4

For all year groups. **Must be pre-booked** via link:
<https://www.pta-events.co.uk/pelhampsfa/?event=event&eventId=94058>

MARCH

6

WORLD BOOK DAY: BOOK SALE

Children will be taken during class time to choose a book/books. 50p per book.
After school sale and Paddington competition.

MOTHERS DAY SALE, EASTER BONNET COMP AND
SPRING DISCOS TO FOLLOW.

CHECK OUT OUR FACEBOOK PAGE FOR UPDATES

APPLYING FOR NURSERY

Children born between 1 September 2021 and 31 August 2022 will be due to start in Nursery in September 2025.

Closing date is **Sunday 6th April 2025**

Apply online at

<https://www.bexley.gov.uk/services/schools-and-education/nursery-schools/starting-nursery>

(26 AM & 26 PM places
will be
available for
15 and 30 hours)



If you would like to speak to a
member of the school leadership

team please email

pelhamadmin@illuminateminds.org

