



# Princess May News

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Friday 16 December 2022

- Empathy
- Respect
- Determination



### A Message from the Headteacher

Dear parents and carers,

What a week of festivities we have had. Ms Archer began the week with a special Christmas assembly to get us in the festive mood. This was followed by our first ever Winter Fair, Christmas Jumper Day and a festive Christmas lunch, probably the best yet, thanks to our new caterers, Olive Dining. It didn't end there, with years 1-6 also visiting Hoxton Hall on Thursday to see The Wizard of Oz pantomime performance. The week finished with a performance from our EYFS children. Thanks to all of the staff for the incredible hard work that they have put into making this week a standout week of festivities.

Our first Winter Fair was a real success and I'd like to thank you all for supporting it. I was glad to see a lot of familiar faces, but also some visitors from the wider community. I have created a survey of the event and it would be great to get your feedback so that we can make tweaks and improvements for next year. There will also be lessons for future events in the spring and summer terms: <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/HZD9FVB>

Please do have a safe, relaxing and enjoyable holiday and I look forward to seeing the children back on **Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January at 8:50am.**

Mr Reynolds  
Headteacher



### OUR CAMPS WINTER CAMP 2022

19TH - 22ND DECEMBER @ 10AM - 2PM

Princess May Primary School will be hosting a holiday scheme. If you get FSM, you can attend for **free** or £20 per day. The office has paper forms if you are having difficulties accessing the online version. Apply for FSM here [Apply for free school meals | Hackney Education](#).



### Christmas Break

School will close on **Friday 16 December 2022 at 1.45pm.**

We return to school on **Tuesday 3 January 2023 at 8.55am.**

### Lost Property

So that we can return lost property, please make sure that your child's name clearly written on every item of clothing, coats, bags & water bottle.

### Gold Certificates

This week we celebrated more exceptional achievements. *Well done to our children who achieved Gold. Please congratulate them on their achievement.*

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
All of EYFS for their amazing show	Kylie Juan Carlos	Joseline Naila Enes Adonai Precious Anaiya Akkshith Chasia	Petko Ishaq	Ayaz Karlo Ashira Myuzhde Sharifa Keren	Reni Khalid G	Ismael Gintare

### Soft start

Starting from **Monday 12<sup>th</sup> December**, we will be improving the way children begin the school day. We will be implementing what is known as a 'soft start', which means that the gate will open from 8:45am as usual, however the children will enter the school building immediately on arrival rather than lining up as classes. This is due to feedback from parents and also experience of staff who have seen this work in their schools. This applies to **years 1-6 only**.

### Postcards

Look out for a postcard coming your way soon! Each week, your child's class teacher will write to 2 parents and carers celebrating something positive about your child's week. This will begin at the start of the spring term. We hope you will all appreciate this new way of engaging with you all. Evidence from other schools shows that both children and parents really welcome receiving the postcards.

### Makaton

Our sign next week is **'winter'**. Click on the pic to view the sign in action!

**Why not try practice at home?**



### Secret Agent Awards

We use the 'Agents' to reflect on our learning behaviours and develop a Growth Mindset. *Well done to this week's award winners. Please congratulate them on their achievement.*

Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Khloe	Trinity Rioko	Dina Merjem	Manuela	Miski	Ikra



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