



# PRINCESS MAY

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## HEAD'S MESSAGE

Dear parents and carers,

It has been another fantastic week of weather and of course, learning, as we go into the bank holiday weekend (a reminder that school is closed on Monday). Year 6 have only days before they sit their end of key stage assessments (SATs) and I know how hard they, and the year 6 team, have been working to ensure that everyone reaches their potential. Year 6 parents – please keep an eye on communications around the SATs week, including the free breakfast club that runs for the week. If you would like any extra learning for your child then please approach Ms Ali at the end of the school day.

I hope that our new homework system, making use of the Bond books material, is working well for you all. The decision was made to move away from online homework due to issues around screen time, and also to raise the standard of maths and grammar across the school. It is worth noting that many private and prep schools use these materials, as well as families preparing children for entrance exams to private and grammar schools. We appreciate your support in helping your child to access these materials. For our current year 5 parents, if you would like support in the application process for selective schools then please approach your child's class teacher or speak to a member of the senior leadership team on the gate.

A final reminder that as well as the bank holiday Monday, the school is being used by Hackney Council as a polling station on Thursday 7 May, meaning that the school will be closed to all pupils on this day.

Have a great bank holiday weekend.

Mr Reynolds  
Headteacher

## GOLD CERTIFICATE WINNERS

EYFS	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Riyad Daran	Iyobosa Ilyana	Elart Zara	Britta	Nermin Ipek	Deborah Muhammed Ismail	Dylan

## CLASS DOJO WINNERS



EYFS	Taranjeet	Adam	4MW
1SM	Cinar	Iradah	5DM
2ML	Rosie	Enes	5EY
3PA	Libin	Pele	6JH

## SECRET AGENT AWARDS

EYFS	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Merve	Braden	Pronob	Kay	Destiny	Amari Amayah	Waseem

## SCHOOL DOJO WINNER

This week's School Dojo Winner is **2ML**! Well done to all the pupils in this class for doing a great job this term.



## TIMES TABLES ROCK STARS



Congratulations to **Janet (1SM)** and **Jusuf (5DM)** who are this week's Times Tables Rock Stars! Great job!

## STAR WRITER

This week's Star Writer is **Petko (6JH)** for his excellent writing based on this term's literacy text, Holes. He created a detailed and imaginative leaflet inspired by Stanley Yelnats' Survival Guide to Camp Green Lake, using rich description and thoughtful ideas to bring the setting to life. **Well done Petko!**



## IMPORTANT: Upcoming Key Dates for this term:



- Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May - **Bank Holiday - School closed**
- Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> May - **Polling day - School closed**
- Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May - **KS2 SATs Week 2026**
- Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> May - **3PA Class Assembly for parents/carers at 10:45-11:15**
- Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May - **INSET Day - School closed**

## MATHEMATICS

This week's Maths Star is **Aiden S (Y1)** for his great understanding and work in maths this week. He has been able to recognise different coins and notes, compare amounts of money and use addition and subtraction to find totals and work out change. Well done **Aiden S!**

## SPANISH WORD OF THE WEEK

**OPTIMISMO - OPTIMISM**



## Welcome Our New Connect Ed Therapist - Anna Kamau-Woodyard

Dear Parents/Carers,

We are delighted to welcome our new Connect Ed therapist, Anna. Some of you may have already seen Anna on the gate this morning. She is looking forward to getting to know the children and families.

Anna will be working with us on Mondays and Fridays, offering a range of support including 1:1 sessions, drop-in opportunities, and whole-school wellbeing work. We are really pleased to have her as part of our team and feel her presence will be a valuable addition to supporting the wellbeing of all our pupils.

Connect Ed consent slips have been sent out. Please complete and return the form to the school office as soon as possible.



## 🎬 Casting Opportunity

Jina Jay Casting is looking for children aged 7–10 to play a lead role in an upcoming independent feature film being filmed in London.

### Key information:

- Applicants must be aged 7–10
- Filming is expected to begin from 20th July 2026 for approximately 6 weeks
- The production has noted that this is a character-driven drama with some adult themes

### How to apply:

Parents/carers should email: [assistant@jinajay.com](mailto:assistant@jinajay.com)

Please include:

- Your child's name, age, date of birth, location, and heritage
- A recent photo
- A short (30-second) introduction video

📅 **Application deadline: Friday 8th May 2026**



**JINA JAY CASTING**

Jina Jay Casting is looking for a young boy to play a **LEAD ROLE** in an upcoming Independent Feature Film shooting in London

- Young boy
- Must be aged 7 - 10
- Encouraging applicants with Algerian, Moroccan, Tunisian heritage
- Must live in London
- Must be available from 20th July 2026 for 6 weeks
- Must be comfortable around both dogs and small birds and not allergic
- No previous acting experience required

**TO APPLY**

Parent/guardian please email the following to: [assistant@jinajay.com](mailto:assistant@jinajay.com)

- **Subject line:** Name of applicant | AMINE Casting Call
- Name, age, DOB, location/base, and heritage
- Recent photo
- 30 second introduction video speaking about their favourite sport/game/superhero/pet

**Submission deadline: Friday 8th May 2026**

Applicants with representation should submit via their agents  
Please note that this is a character driven drama with some adult themes

## ★ May Half Term Activities at Clissold

We would like to share with parents and carers that Clissold Leisure Centre is offering a range of activities during the May Half Term for children aged 5–11 years (Years 1–6).

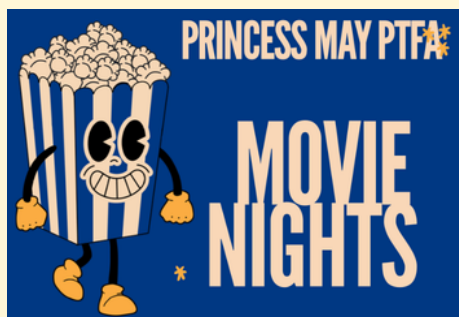
The programme includes a variety of engaging activities such as soft play, multi-sports with a coach (including football, basketball, gymnastics and racket sports), games, drawing and swimming.

📅 **Dates: Tuesday 26th – Friday 29th May**

### Booking Information:

- Weekly bookings are available in advance
- Remaining individual days can be booked from 10am the day before your preferred date

To find out more and book, please visit: <https://betterflow.courseprogress.co.uk/login>



**PRINCESS MAY PTF**

**MOVIE NIGHTS**

**15 MAY 26 REC - Y3**

**21 MAY 26 Y4 - Y5**

**Tickets: £7.00**  
**Time : 3.45 - 5.30**