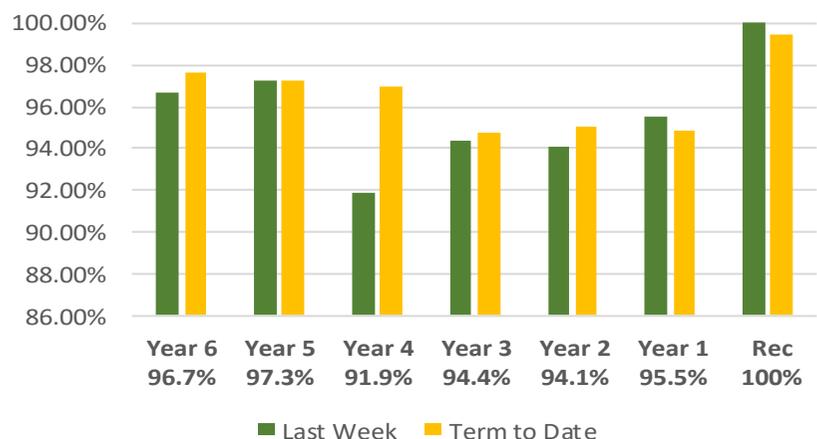


School Library

We are very keen to launch a new school library at Princess May and would love some parent volunteers to get this up and running. Please email admin@princessmay.hackney.sch.uk with 'library' in the subject line if you would like to get involved.

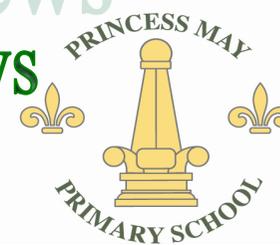
Key Stage 2	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Term to Date</u>
Year 6	96.7%	97.6%
Year 5	97.3%	97.3%
Year 4	91.9%	97%
Year 3	94.4%	94.8%
Key Stage 1		
Year 2	94.1%	95%
Year 1	95.5%	94.9%
Rec	100.0%	99.5%

Attendance



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Friday 13th December

A Message from the Headteacher

Dear parents and carers,

As we approach the last week of term, things are certainly not slowing down here at Princess May – there is still so much going on and many events still to come which I hope you will join us for.

We started the week with a special assembly led by Rabbi Ronny, who told us all about the Jewish festival of Hanukkah. We were treated to some singing as well as a demonstration of the lighting of the Menorah (candles) which are an important part of the daily ritual of this special festival. We have also been exceptionally busy rehearsing for the upcoming KS1 and KS2 Christmas concerts, and of course we hosted the EYFS Nativity, which was yet again, a real highlight of the academic year. Thank you to the parents and carers for their support – over 50 parents and carers attended!

We are now already thinking about how to build on the successes of the autumn term after Christmas. You will note that there is a new parent survey for 2019 – we would love your views. A text link was sent home earlier this link, and I have also included this in this week's newsletter. Your views will shape our priorities for the spring term, so please do spend the 3 minutes it takes to let us know what you think.

A final reminder that school finishes on **Friday 20th December at 1:30pm**, which may be different from other schools in Hackney.

Have a great weekend.

Mr Reynolds

Headteacher

School Office Open Monday-Friday at 8:30am-4pm

School website
www.princessmay.hackney.sch.uk

Parent and carer survey

We would love for you to complete our brand-new parent and carer survey: <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/DZ8DVRJ>

Surveys can be completed on any device, including mobile phones. We look forward to receiving your responses on how we can improve the parent and carer experience.

We are delighted to inform you that we had a fantastic response from children learning Spanish throughout this term. In Key Stage 1 pupils have been responding to spoken Spanish and speaking with support. They have been taking an active part in lessons through songs, memory games and team work.

In Key Stage 2 pupils have been confidently using Spanish to ask questions and give answers, as well as reading and writing words in Spanish.

We have taken an opportunity to link Spanish to some of our topics. For example; during maths week, we took the opportunity to use numbers in Spanish and applied that to what we already know. Year 5 described shapes using colours and numbers in Spanish and produced a nice art work based on the work of Juan Miro.

Why not encourage your child to teach you some of the words, phrases and songs he or she already knows?

Music Lessons

If you are interested in your child taking part in either guitar or violin lessons then please contact the school office on admin@princessmay.hackney.sch.uk with 'music lessons' in the subject line. We plan to run these from the spring term with a likely cost of £5 per lesson with a qualified music specialist.



<https://www.twitter.com/PrimaryMay>

Christmas Shows Opt Out

At Princess May, we promote key British values, including respect for and tolerance of different faiths and beliefs. Parents that do not want their children to participate in the school Christmas show's for religious reasons must submit their requests in writing to the school office. We recognise the variety of religious and non-religious backgrounds that make up our school community and we respect this variety of backgrounds.



Your child will be bringing home next week's Festive lunch menu. Christmas Lunch will be served on Wednesday 18th December at the usual school lunch cost of £1.80.

If your child would like a hot meal on this day, you will need to pay the lunch cost.

You do not need to pay if your child has free school meals.

Christmas Jumper Day

We raised **£167.64** which will go towards supporting 'Save The Children'. The children looked amazing in all their festive jumpers.

For more information on the cause please visit <https://www.savethechildren.org.uk/christmas-jumper-day/how-you-help>

<u>Date</u>	<u>Important Events</u>
Monday 16th December	KS1 Christmas Performance - 9:30am
Tuesday 17th December	KS2 Christmas Performance - 9:30am
Friday 20th December	School Closes at 13:30pm