

### Head Teacher Message

PE lessons have now started and both Sycamore and Rowan have had an energetic and exciting time in the big hall with all of that space to explore. Our PE programme focuses on the fundamentals of movement, including agility, balance and co-ordination. Across the year we cover dance, gymnastics and games as well as physical literacy. Children are encouraged to be active and interactive. Getting a class of 4/5 year olds changed for PE could be a painful experience but all of our children managed it perfectly!

### Playtime

Now that the children are confident in using sky garden 3, we have extended the playtime experience to also use the larger sky garden on level 2, which offers the children opportunities to have a good run around and play with hoops, balls, bean bags, cones and a wide range of play equipment. Our range of dressing up costumes is proving very popular too.

"We like being Ninjas." Luke and Isaac

"My favourite games is playing superheroes in the big sky garden." Alma

### Pupil Progress Meetings

Our Baseline Assessments are now completed and we will be using this information to carefully plan our programme of work to meet the needs of the cohort, groups and where appropriate individual children. From the 6 November to 1 December, Reception teachers will be offering parents a one-one meeting to discuss their child's progress and end of year target. We will be contacting you shortly to book these meetings.

**Ms Kim Clapham - Head Teacher**

### Look what we've been doing !

This week, Reception have been creating 3D portraits as part of our Autumn 1 topic 'Marvellous Me.'

The children have been exploring colour mixing and have been using different media and materials purposefully in order to create an effective portrait of themselves. Prior to creating these, each child used a mirror to make careful observations of their faces and facial features which they then described using everyday language such as 'round', 'small', 'straight', 'short', 'curly' and 'long'.

Can you guess whose head is who?

Emilia  
Noah  
Tali  
Emmanuel



### Uniform

Could you please ensure all school uniform items are labelled with your child's name clearly. We have had a few items go missing. If anyone has taken home a white polo shirt size 6/7 with the name **Autumn** in side could this please be returned.



**Thank you**

### Diary Dates

#### **Half term**

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> October - Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October 2017

#### **Inset day**

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October

#### **Nativity**

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December  
(A letter with the time will go out nearer the time.)

#### **End Of Autumn Term**

20<sup>th</sup> December 2017



### After School Club - Childcare vouchers

For those parents whose children are in ASC and use child care vouchers could you please provide us with the details of your provider so we can register with them.

If you could email the details to: [office@islingtonprimary.col.a.org.uk](mailto:office@islingtonprimary.col.a.org.uk)

### Punctuality

Gates open at 8.15am., the bell rings at 8.20am. Children are then taken up to class. Children who arrive after the gate has closed must report to the main Moreland reception where COLPAI will be contacted and a member of staff will come down to collect your child. Please be aware this may not always happen straight away if Ms Nottage is taking a phone call or our TAs are attending to a child.

Children do not like to be late and from 8.50am the Moreland reception is extremely busy with their own children and parents.



### Absences

If your child has a GP/dental/hospital appointment please ensure you bring in the appointment card or letter as confirmation for the absence. If your child is unwell can you please call the school number by 9.00am to let us know. They telephone number is 020 7504 0556.