



# Harrow Lodge Primary Newsletter

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Dear Parents/Carers

What fantastic attendance last week with the majority of year groups above 96% and a special well done to Reception and Year 3 who achieved above 97%! Our whole school target is currently 95%, so if we continue with such marvellous weekly attendance figures we may just reach the elusive 96% by the end of the academic year (a target that is expected by OFSTED, yet we have been unable to reach this in recent years).

We have had a very busy week with lots of activities taking place in school and offsite. It has been great to see so many children participating in Bikeability and Cycle Awareness training this week. The children have thoroughly enjoyed developing their skills and awareness of safety when riding their bikes and scooters and the instructors have been very impressed with their listening skills and behaviour. Well done to everyone who has taken part this week.

Year 5 went to The Albany on Wednesday to see their terrific production of Cinderella. It was lovely to see past pupils from our school in the production. Our children were amazed by the actors' singing and the song choices were very good and had the audience singing along. The costumes that the actors wore were stunning and it clearly showed that an immense amount of effort had gone into the making of this musical play. The script was entertaining and the jokes throughout made our children laugh out loud. All the children would like to say a big thank you to The Albany for inviting them.

Class 4/5C had a great trip to Pizza Express in Upminster earlier this week, where they saw behind the scenes in a busy restaurant, learning about the ingredients that go into making this famous pizza. Their visit culminated in each child making their own pizza to take home. The children really enjoyed this experience and we would like to thank Pizza Express for their generosity in giving away so many pizzas!

Reception classes have had a very busy week with the arrival of the incubator and chicks from Wellgate Farm. The chicks should start hatching on 14<sup>th</sup> May and we will keep you updated on their progress. Hopefully we can get the webcam set up and you can watch the chicks hatch and grow from the comfort of your front room. On Wednesday we had a delivery of tadpoles which the children will also be observing and making notes on over the next few weeks to see how they change and grow.

The Reception children had a fantastic day yesterday when they came to school dressed as pirates to support their literacy work. They looked amazing in their costumes and it was such a fun day for all.

We are gaining momentum all the time with our fundraising efforts for playground equipment and I would like to extend a huge thank you to the PTA and staff for all their hard work in keeping this high profile. There is a radio interview on TIME FM which will be aired on Monday evening around 5pm where we will be promoting our fundraising further. Please tune in and spread the word. Thank you to everyone for sending in their pennies and well done to 1A who are top of the leader board this week.

Have a great weekend.

Mrs Connolly



### Stars Of The Week

- R1: Bonnie & Ruby
- R2: Lenny & Sasha
- 1A: Leah & Justin
- 1B: Dolly-May & Lexi
- 2A: Luis & Shaun
- 2B: Tisha & Ilias
- 2C: Lola & Corey
- 3A: Iriana & Madhe
- 3B: Vinnie & Eshan
- 3C: Peyton & Ben
- 4A: Christian & Kai-Xing
- 4B: Lucia & Joe
- 5A: Louie & Nathan
- 5B: Ruby & Skye
- 5C: Bethany & Nadia
- 6B: Demi & Tallulah



### Writer of the Week

- R1: Jessie
- R2: Lily-May
- 1A: Umar
- 1B: George
- 2A: Philip
- 2B: Danielius
- 2C: Bobbie & Roman
- 3A: Jannah
- 3B: Erin
- 3C: Brooke
- 4A: Ibrahim
- 4B: Maurette
- 5A: Lily-Jo
- 5B: Ava
- 5C: Noemi
- 6B: Spencer

### Attendance w/e 29<sup>th</sup> March 2018

Year Group	Attendance %
Reception	97.3
Yr 1	96.0
Yr 2	96.9
Yr 3	97.7
Yr 4	94.3
Yr 5	96.8
Yr 6	95.2

Congratulations to the individual class attendance winners!

**KS1: R1 98.2%**

**KS2: 5B 99.0%**

**Overall School Attendance  
(year to date) – 95%**



### Pretty Penny Class Collections

Class	Amount collected so far
R1	£19.69
R2	£2.79
1A	£27.53
1B	£13.12
2A	£9.30
2B	£2.30
2C	£6.44
3A	£3.34
3B	£3.47
3C	£10.55
4A	£1.00
4B	£0.54
5A	£6.64
5B	£0.00
5C	£12.63
6A	£2.22
6B	£0.00

## Diary Dates

### **Monday 30<sup>th</sup> April**

EYFS September '19 Acceptance Deadline  
7pm Parent Council Meeting

### **Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May**

Class Photos  
4A Visit to Pizza Express in Upminster

### **Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> May**

School Closed – Polling Day

### **Monday 7<sup>th</sup> May**

School Closed – Bank Holiday

### **Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> – Friday 11<sup>th</sup> May**

Yrs 3 & 4 Learn to Ride

### **Friday 11<sup>th</sup> May**

Year 5 Secondary School Transfer Talk  
(time to be confirmed)

### **Monday 14<sup>th</sup> – Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> May**

Year 6 SATs week  
Year 6 Breakfast Club 8am

### **Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> May**

Year 3 Trip to Belhus Woods

### **Friday 18<sup>th</sup> May**

Dress up like a Prince or Princess  
Prince & Princess Picnic

### **Monday 21<sup>st</sup> May**

Stay & Learn Week  
No year 5 swimming

### **Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May**

Year 6 Harry Potter trip

### **Friday 25<sup>th</sup> May**

Break up for Half Term



## Water Bottles

Please can you send your child into school each day with a clear, named water bottle.

Thank you.

## Absences

If your child is going to be off school for any reason, please can you ring the school office by 9am and leave a message on the absence line.

Thank you for your co-operation.

## Changes of Personal Details

Please can you ensure you inform the office of any change of contact details so information can be kept up to date in case of emergency.

Thank you.



**Coffee Morning** takes place on **Wednesday** mornings from 9am-10am in the Rainbow Room. Please come and join us for a chat and cuppa!



**Keep Fit/Zumba** is on **Thursdays** from 8.50 – 9.45am in the KS2 hall. This is a fun and FREE exercise class run by Mr Lee. If you don't have childcare, please bring your little ones with you as they can be in the hall with us.

### Harrow Lodge PTA

Marsh Farm and Southend Adventure Island tickets on sale for 2018:

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| <b>Marsh Farm</b>       | - All tickets £9 (under 2 FREE) |
| <b>Adventure Island</b> | - Blue Band £15 Green/Red - £13 |

If you would like to order any tickets please put your payment with your child's name and class in the PTA box in school office.

**SCHOOL WILL BE CLOSED ON ...**

**THURSDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> MAY – POLLING DAY**

**MONDAY 7<sup>th</sup> MAY – BANK HOLIDAY**