



# Harrow Lodge Primary Newsletter

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Dear Parents/Carers

Wow, the attendance figures this week are amazing with only one year group not achieving above our target of 96+%! A special well done to Year 4 with a fantastic 98.8%! As you can see this has resulted in 0.1% increase on our whole school attendance figure. If we can maintain these high attendance percentages we may just scrape 96% by the end of the academic year which would be a first for our school. Keep it up everyone!

We would like to say a huge well done to all the children in Year 6 who have worked so hard all year and performed with such maturity and effort throughout this week as they took their SATs tests. All the staff who administered the tests were so impressed with their determination to do their best and we are so proud of their attitude and the manner in which they took on the challenge. Well done everyone, we are so proud of you!

Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> May was National Outdoor Learning Day which Year 3 celebrated in style with a visit to Belhus Woods. The weather was perfect and the children were able to spend the whole day exploring woodland and meadows whilst learning outdoors. The children experienced a range of activities on their Plant Detective Day which supported their Science work this half term. Identifying trees and wildflowers, making bark and leaf rubbings, getting to know a tree and seed dispersal mimes were all part of the fun filled agenda. A big thank you to everyone who helped on this very enjoyable trip.

Dragons, winners of last term's house team point competition, had a lovely afternoon on Thursday when they were rewarded with half an hour extra play on the field. They enjoyed the warm sunshine playing football or simply chatting to their friends. Well done Dragons – who will win this term?

Today Class 2B have said goodbye to their butterflies. The children have been amazed at the transformation their tiny caterpillars have gone through and, although they are sad to see them go, they are hoping to spot them flying around Hornchurch.

Unfortunately only two of the twelve eggs in Reception hatched into beautiful little chicks but the children have really enjoyed and learnt a lot about the life cycle of this well loved farmyard creature. The two chicks will go back to Wellgate Farm where the children can visit them from time to time.

We had a fantastic day today dressing up as princes and princesses and I hope you all enjoyed our grand picnic party on the field. The children looked great (as did the staff) and everyone had a great time eating, dancing, playing games and singing. A huge thank you to all the staff who worked tirelessly to ensure that this event was such a success!

Have a great weekend.

Mrs Connolly

## SQUID

The total amount owed on sQuid for school dinners is now

**£223.20**

**PLEASE** can we ask that all debt is cleared by the end of the half term holiday otherwise, unfortunately, you will have to provide your child with a packed lunch. If you are experiencing difficulty in paying please ask for help at the office.

### Attendance w/e 11<sup>th</sup> May 2018

Year Group	Attendance %
Reception	97.1
Yr 1	92.6
Yr 2	97.3
Yr 3	96.7
Yr 4	98.8
Yr 5	96.4
Yr 6	96.1

Congratulations to the individual class attendance winners!

KS1: 2C 98.5%

KS2: 5C 100%

Overall School Attendance  
(year to date) – 95.1%



### Pretty Penny Class Collections

Class	Amount collected so far
R1	£79.70
R2	£63.30
1A	£208.33
1B	£40.23
2A	£40.73
2B	£39.68
2C	£18.03
3A	£67.67
3B	£53.43
3C	£48.97
4A	£24.60
4B	£28.31
5A	£26.43
5B	£78.39
5C	£81.03
6A	£15.48
6B	£28.61

## HALF TERM HOLIDAY

**MONDAY 26<sup>th</sup> MAY – FRIDAY 1<sup>st</sup> JUNE**

**RETURN TO SCHOOL ON MONDAY 4<sup>th</sup> JUNE 8.40am**

## Diary Dates

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

Stay & Learn Week  
British Values Week  
No year 5 swimming  
2pm EGM for PTA

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

Year 6 Harry Potter trip  
Year 1 Mini Beast Hunt  
2pm & 6pm Sex Education Sessions

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

Break up for Half Term

### **Monday 4<sup>th</sup> June**

Return to school  
Year 5 Swimming

### **Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> June**

4C Trip to Pizza Express

### **Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> June**

Year 6 Air Quality theatre presentation

### **Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> June**

Sports Day (details to follow soon)

### **Friday 15<sup>th</sup> June**

Fathers' Day Stalls

### **Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> June**

6pm Year 5 Secondary School Transfer Talk



## 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.

## Medical Appointments

Unless it is an emergency, please could you arrange doctor and dentist appointments outside of school hours in order that your child's learning is not disrupted. Thank you.

## Harrow Lodge PTA

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

**Marsh Farm** - All tickets £9 (under 2 FREE)  
**Adventure Island** - 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.