



HARROW LODGE PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents and Carers,

My goodness, we go from zero to 100 in this place within a blink of an eye! Last week was quiet and this week has been manic! Here are the highlights:



- Year 6 have had the pleasure of Y7 teachers teaching them Spanish this week. Teachers from Hornchurch High came over to give our oldest children a taste of secondary school lessons and I think, by and large, the children were very impressed.
- Some of our Y5 & Y6 children visited the Mawney Foundation School to take part in a maths challenge day. The session was led by Andrew Jeffrey who is an international Maths consultant, trainer and magician. So you can imagine how interesting the day was for the children. However, when I asked Brody (5B) what the day was like, his reply baffled me, "Well, that school is so rich! They have so many things to play with in the playground. But the staff aren't very nice - they wouldn't let us play football." I sympathised with Brody's unfortunate playtime experience but asked again how he found the overall experience of the maths day and he replied, "Well, it wasn't too easy or too hard but that school is so rich!" I'm thinking we may not have made the point of the visit clear enough to the children!!!
- We've had more teachers looking round our school for inspiration and more booked to visit in the coming weeks.
- We have student teachers in EYFS, Years 2, 3 and 5 who started this week so, if your child comes home and says they've got a new teacher, don't worry - they haven't but there are some new faces around who will be learning from our very experienced crew!

- Y3 and Y4 experienced a music lesson like no other this week as they made music with laptops, body parts and objects. It was musical and scientific at the same time and the children were so engaged in their music-making that they didn't even notice me walk into the classroom.
- Miss B introduced Yoga into her Mindfulness Club. As you can see, the children worked hard on their poses, carefully balancing whilst concentrating on producing long, powerful stretches. Penelope (3A) tried especially hard but, as she felt twinges in areas never before stretched, she called out in horror, "Miss, I think I've broken my back!" Miss B was relieved to see that all vertebrae were firmly in tact and Penelope had learned what a proper stretch felt like!!! I think Miss B is hoping to introduce Yoga across the school so I'm just giving you a heads up now before all your children come home complaining of broken backs!
- A special mention to Kai and Riley (R1) who this week learned how to play alongside each other without arguing - celebrations took place all round!
- Year 3 have had great fun in science, testing how much fat is found in different foods. 3A's classroom was a veritable sea of crisps, crackers and chocolate. The children showed incredible will power not to eat any of it, all in the name of science!
- Well done to those children who took part in the Sumdog Havering competition. 6B came 27th, 5A came 26th and 6A came 24th. However, I really think we can do better than this if we all pull together next time and we'll beat Squirrel's Heath Juniors who came 1st!!! We can be the best in Havering and we *will* be next time!
- We held our first Parent Group meeting yesterday which was a great get together and an hour of sorting out the direction parents would like the school to move in now that Ofsted is done and dusted. We'll circulate the minutes and put them on Face Book and our website as soon as they're written up. A big thank-you to all the parents who turned up and I hope I see many more of you next time.
- And finally, our lovely Ms Howard's book came out this week - 'Lessons Learned in Lockdown' - and she was interviewed on Time FM about the book and the lockdown lessons she learned. We're all so proud of her but she's a little shy of fame still so please don't crowd her for autographs and selfies if you can help it!! In case you missed the parent mail that went out earlier this week, you need to download the Kindle APP on your device and then purchase the book from Amazon for £1.99 and it will automatically appear in the Kindle App.
- And that's the end of the week's news. It just remains for me to wish you a lovely weekend and I leave you with this thought:



“Live so that, when your children think of fairness, caring and integrity, they think of you.”

With kind regards and best wishes,

Mrs Searle

Star of the week:

R1: Nellie
R2: Freddy
1A: Joseph
1B: Aisha
2A: Jamie
2B: Alicia
3A: Liam
3B: Diana
4A: Liam
4B: Daisy-Leigh
5A: Larisa
5B: Logan
6A: Liam
6B: Katie

Please see our star of the week newsletter on our website and on facebook for photos of their work.
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Writer of the week:

R1: Aria
R2: Rohan
1A: Amelia
1B: Idris
2A: Regi
2B: Polly
3A: Louie
3B: Shakira
4A: Mohammad
4B: Eshaal
5A: Luca
5B: Zara
6A: Tyler
6B: Romeo



House Points

1st **Griffins** 239 points
2nd **Dragons** 227 points
3rd **Phoenixes** 223 points
4th **Centaur**s 210 points



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

to.....

Aisha 1B
Joel 2B
Daniel 3A
Keira 3B
Amin 4A
Lemaine 4B
Hannah 5B

who have had a birthday
in the last week.
We hope you had a great day!

This week's
attendance award
goes to...

**1B who achieved
100%**

Whole school
attendance...

93.4%



OUR GOLDEN AWARDS THIS WEEK ARE.....

Halimat 2B
Khaleelah 2B
Kyle 3A
Thomas 3B
Daria 3B

Ilinca 4A
Nitza 5A
Lyla 5A
Isabella 5A
Ronnie 5A

Sotonte 5A
Tyler 6A
Luke 6A
Kai 6B
Holly 6B



Dates for autumn term:

- Wednesday 12th October - EYFS Harvest Assembly @2:30pm
- Thursday 13th October - Year 5 Harvest Assembly @2:30pm
- Friday 14th October - EYFS Prospective Parents tour @ 9:45 am
- Monday 17th October - Thursday 20th October - Book Fair in school
- Monday 17th October - Parent's Evening (not 5B and 2B) 3:30 - 6:00pm
- Tuesday 18th October - 5B and 2B Parent's Evening only 3:30 - 6:00 pm
- Wednesday 19th October - Parent's Evening 4:00 - 6:60 pm
- Thursday 20th October - Spoons Workshop for years 1,2 & 3 (carried over from last year)
- Friday 21st October - Dress Up for Downs Syndrome Day
- Friday 21st October - Break up for half term
- Monday 31st October - Return to school

Congratulations!

to....

Sotonte 5A

on receiving an achiever badge for gaining 3 gold certificates!



MACMILLAN CANCER SUPPORT

Thank you to all of you who supported MacMillan in last week's coffee afternoon. We raised £164.84 for this worthy charity.

Here are our competition winners:

Guess the weight of the cake

Kai R1 guessed 1kg (actual weight 1.008kg)

Guess the height of the cake tower

Judah 2B guessed 80cm (actual height 94cm)

Place the cherry on the centre of the gateaux

Reuban 5B

Guess the length of the veggie roll

Kaysan 6B guessed 35cm (actual length 49cm)

