



HARROW LODGE PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents and Carers,

A busy week of hard work. Here are the highlights:

- This week, we've had our Governor Link visits. What this means is that our Governors visit the school, meet the children and talk to the staff. Our Governors are each linked with a specific area of the running of the school such as 'Health & Safety', 'Curriculum', 'Safeguarding', 'SEND', 'Finance' and 'Pupil Premium' and they take a week each term to visit the school to see what we're doing and how we're getting on in their linked area. The Governors then write a report about what they've seen which will form part of our improvement plans. So, if your child comes home one day and mentions that they've met one or more of our Governors, you know why! A big thank you for all the support we get from our Governors.
- This week, Miss B and I met with one of the Assistant Heads from Hornchurch High to arrange lots of shared practice that our children can take part in. We're hoping to get our Year 4s, 5s and 6s making use of the secondary school facilities for some of their subjects which will be very exciting for us so 'watch this space'.
- Tuesday was ~~beauty pageant~~ photo day across the school. I was surprised at how few sibling group photos were taken this year but, as usual, your children were beautifully neat and exceptionally well-behaved throughout the whole process. I can't wait to see the final pictures.
- We had even more visitors this week from other schools - this time, some from Hillingdon and some from Enfield. Head Teachers and Deputy Head Teachers looked around our school and were blown away by the standard of behaviour and work they saw. And we've booked a reciprocal visit because *their* schools are flagship schools for SEND provision and Restorative Justice so we should get some great tips from them to improve our own school.
- We had a new teacher visit to run our recorder club this week as Miss Batt was busy elsewhere - Mrs Spink from our office stepped into the breach and taught the children ~~Baa Baa Black sheep~~ Beethoven's 5th Symphony! She must have been really good because Kara (2A) told told her she could come and teach them again if she wanted to!



- EYFS were fortunate enough to have a visit from Alice's (R1) mum on Wednesday. Alice's grandad was a musician and has starred in a variety of performances, plays, pantomimes and shows up and down the country so mum had access to a lot of different instruments. The children looked at a variety of chimes, bells, drums and wooden blocks. They decided that their favourite instrument was the 'racket'. Apparently, they chose this one because they like to make a big racket *themselves* throughout the day! (*Their words not mine!!*)
- Now, we are constantly praising our children for their hard work, great behaviour and kind hearts (and rightly so!) but Nitza (5A) thought that it was about time that the teachers got some recognition for *their* hard work and kind hearts and so she created a beautiful certificate in ICT which was presented to Ms Howard for...*"Being a very nice, funny and kind teacher who always encourages children and makes every single day turn from blue to a day full of sunshine and happiness"*. Well, what a beautiful sentiment Nitza has expressed about her teacher (once you've got past the worrying part about every day starting out 'blue'! We'll tackle that later!!)
- 4B are the top Doodlers this week outstripping every other class by miles! Well done 4B.
- Finally, today, we had our most important visitor to date. The DfE Regional Director for London came to visit us as she wanted to see the great journey we'd been on as a school to move from a grading of 'Requires Improvement' to 'Outstanding'! It was a flying visit but I managed to ensure that she saw the great behaviour and fabulous work ethic of our children and that she fully understood that the journey wouldn't have been possible without the supportive input of our *whole* community - staff, children, governors, parents, the Trust and the Local Authority - everyone contributed to the end result. She was suitably impressed and so I chanced my luck and asked for a handout on the back of such a good result but my plea fell on deaf ears! Well, you have to try, don't you?
- So it just remains for me to wish you a wonderful weekend probably spent rooting through the attic for lost tinsel and baubles - I know that's what *///* be doing!! And I leave you with this thought:

***"Your greatest contribution to the universe may not be something you do,
but someone you raise."***

With kind regards and best wishes,

Mrs Searle

P.S. Desperate for volunteers to hear children read - If you can help, please contact:

mclarke@harrowlodgeprimary.com or lwaddington@harrowlodgeprimary.com

Star of the week:

R1: Aira
R2: Henry
1A: India
1B: Amelie
2A: Jamie
2B: Alyssa-Rose
3A: Yaid
3B: Aronas
4A: Jack
4B: Amanda
5A: Tymofii
5B: Feroz
6A: Luke
6B: Macy

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: Bella
R2: Abid
1A: Luke
1B: George
2A: Jamie
2B: Aibinu
3A: Riley
3B: Jacob
4A: Elizah
4B: Marnie
5A: Stefania
5B: Dolcie
6A: Violet
6B: Alyssa



House Points

1st **Dragons** 239 points
2nd **Griffins** 230 points
3rd **Phoenixes** 219 points
4th **Centaur**s 206 points



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

to.....

Alayna R1	Seth 2A
Beloslava R1	Ilsa 2A
Nate R1	Hope 3A
Darcy R1	Amber 3B
Gurlaveen R2	Oscar 5A
Isla 2A	Romaissa 5B
Harvey 2A	

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

99.3%

Whole school
attendance...

94.3%



OUR GOLDEN AWARDS THIS WEEK ARE.....

Mithran 1A	Shayan 3B	Aamani 6B
Layla 1A	Sofia 3B	Kayla 6B
Serena 1A	Riaadh 3B	Amelia 6B
Thea 1A	Keira 3B	Sophie 6B
Nate 1A	Nathan 5A	Leah 6B
Michaela 3A	Pavel 5A	Jimmy 6B
	Gurkeerat 5A	



Congratulations!

to....

Ronnie 5A

Sotonte 5A

on receiving an achiever badge
for gaining 3 gold certificates!



Don't forget to
keep on
earning those
reading points
in order to
earn a
reading token!



Dates for autumn term:

- Wednesday 30th November - Year 3 visits to Elm Park Library
- Thursday 1st December - Reindeer Run
- Thursday 1st December - 2B trip to Soanes Centre
- Friday 2nd December - PTA Whole Schhol Panto trip
- Monday 5th December - Year 2 Christmas Concert @ 9:15 am
- Monday 5th December - Year 1 Nativity @2:30 pm
- Tuesday 6th December - EYFS Nativity @ 9:15 am
- Tuesday 6th December - Year 2 Christmas Concert @ 2:30 pm
- Wednesday 7th December - Year 1 Nativity @ 9:15 am
- Wednesday 7th December - EYFS Nativity @ 2:30 pm
- Thursday 8th December - 2A trip to Soanes Centre
- Friday 9th December - Christmas Jumper Day/ Christmas Dinner day
- Friday 9th December - PTA Christmas Bazaar @ 4:00 pm
- Tuesday 13th December - Breakfast with Santa
- Wednesday 14th December - Year 3 trip to Chelmsford Museum
- Thursday 15th December - Performing Arts trip to Frozen the Musical
- Friday 16th December - Visit to Holy Cross Church @ 10:00 am
- Friday 16th December - Break Up at 1:30 pm

We need

YOU!



**Calling all parents,
grandparents, aunts or
uncles!**

We desperately need
volunteers to come in and
listen to our children read. If
you are able to spare a
morning or an afternoon each
week then please contact:
mclarke@harrowlodgeprimary.com
or
lwaddington@harrowlodgeprimary.com

Thank you

