

# HARROW LODGE PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents and Carers,

This week, we have been celebrating Eid-al-adha and thinking about how we can share our riches with others. Here are the highlights:

• EYFS had a wonderful day on Wednesday celebrating Eid. They sang, danced, painted pictures and made chapatis. No smoke alarm was activated (unlike last time Mrs Noe took to the cookery room!!) Eid Mubarak everyone!



- This week has been 'Year 6 Transition week' during which time all the secondary schools invite the year 6 pupils to attend their new secondary school for a day. It's all very exciting and the children return to our school full of wonderful stories about life in a 'grown-up school'!
- We've welcomed a couple of our ex-pupils back to school this week on workexperience. It's lovely to see how they've grown and developed since they left us 5 years ago!
- At the other end of the age-scale, we invited our September starters into EYFS this week to 'Stay & Play' while mums and dads gathered in the hall communing over tea, coffee, biscuits and strawberries! Some joined me on a short tour of the school if they'd not managed to visit the school before and it was a really good opportunity to get to know new parents and for parents to get to know each other. There were very few tears this year (and the children were fine, too!) so a successful visit all round I'd say!
- On Monday, our Performing Arts choir took to the stage to perform alongside other Havering Primary School choirs in the Junior Music Festival. Well, as Miss Harrison said, if people hadn't heard about our school before, they certainly have now and they won't forget us in a hurry! Miss Harrison is a tough task-master who demands the very highest standards and woe betide any child who doesn't reach her dizzy heights of excellence but, my goodness, does she ever get the best out of your children!!! Apparently, we blew the rest of the schools out of the water! Well done to the Performing Arts team, Miss Harrison and Mrs Kerr.

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- We had the pleasure of hosting Parklanes Wykeham Sports Day this week which was held on the infant field amid much laughter and competitiveness but that was the parents the children just enjoyed the opportunity to run around an open field in the fresh air!!
- This week was the turn of our Year 1s and 2s at the athletics competition known as Quad Kids and our Y1 girls seem to be little Olympians in the making with Heidi, Laura and Dottie all winning their sprints and Heidi and Laura also winning their long distance race. Watch this space and I'll let you know how we fared overall in the borough once the results are all verified!! Thanks to Mr Charlee and Mrs Kerr for transport and cheerleading!!
- Y3 visited Colchester Castle as part of their Emperors and Empires topic and the visit was a huge success. For once, lunch was *not* the highlight of the school trip this year, it was a new exhibit in the castle where the children could dress up as a Roman charioteer and stand on a platform holding a rope while, on the screen in front of them, they could see themselves driving a chariot kitted out as a real-life gladiator! It was basically a green screen activity but the children absolutely *loved* it!! Some believed they had really magically been turned into a Roman charioteer!! One of my favourite notes to tell you about this trip, however, is about the moment that a member of the public approached one of our parent volunteers and commented on the fine behaviour of our children and their intense focus on the exhibits! It never fails to fill me with pride when I hear comments like that! A big thank you to our parent volunteers and our staff these days are always fun but incredibly taxing.
- The Sumdog contest came to an end this week and that's really all I'm going to say about it as the highest any of our classes ranked was around 110!! Basically, I don't think many children took part because we didn't really push it that hard but, on the positive side, we were the second highest ranking Havering school which is a huge celebration!!! Well done to everyone who took part. Next year, we'll get into the top 10!!!

- Year 6 have been darning socks as part of their Make do and Mend DT project. Popped one of Mr Searle's holey socks into the bag surreptitiously to save me a job this weekend but I think it's got more holes in it now than to start with!! Just kidding I think the children all learnt some very good lessons we throw far too much away these days and just replace with new instead of mending and making do and I have to admit that I'm one of those offenders!
- This week, the children also had their sex education lessons so some of you may have some interesting questions thrown at you this weekend it pays to be fore-armed about these things, though, so I'm giving you the heads-up!
- And today, everyone was sweet as sugar as we all came to school in our best glad-rags in exchange for a bag of sweets for our Tombola stall at tomorrow's carnival.
- Talking of the carnival, I'd like to extend a massive thank you to all of you who came to school today to help set up the stalls for the fete tomorrow. It's such a lot of work that we appreciate every pair of hands that comes along.
- And that brings us to the end of the week. It just remains for me to wish you a lovely weekend full of sunshine, smiles, pony rides, duck-hooking, circus-skills, raffles, burgers, pizzas, prizes and *lots* and *lots* of Pimm's - yep, I hope to see you all at our fete tomorrow from 12:00 till 3:00. It's going to be an amazing day and I leave you with this thought:

#### "The most memorable days usually end with the dirtiest clothes!"

With kind regards and best wishes,

Mrs Searle

# "Get your game face on and join us for some carnival fun this weekend!"

## Star of the week:

As it is our Mental Health afternoon this Friday we will carry over our stars of the week to next week's assembly.

## Writer of the week:

R1: Franky R2: Alice IA: Kasey IB: Ellie 2A: Cindy 2B: 3A: Ollie 3B: Albert 4A: Tia 4B: Lashana 5A: Nathan 5B: Stanley 6A: Luke 6B: Toni

# House Points Ist Centaurs 212 points

2nd Dragons 203 points 3rd Phoenixes 200 points 4th Griffins 185 points





Loris 2B Maya 3A Chanan 5B Kaeden 5A Alex O 5A Mahum 6A

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

to.....

who had a birthday in the last week. We hope you had a great day! This week's attendance award goes to... **4A who achieved 98.%** Whole school attendance...

93.8%



Congratulations to the following children on earning their reading tokens:

Dima 2A Regi 2A Emma 2A Murtijiz 1B Sophia 1B Lorin 1B Olivia 1B



## OUR GOLDEN AWARDS THIS WEEK ARE.....

Gurlaveen R2 Dion R2 Alice R2 Majus R1 Riley R1 Oliver R1 Haakil 1B Diyan 1B Lenny 1B Liza 1B Isa 1B Alice 1B Seth 2A Navaira 2A Mason 2A Mahilan 2A Henry 2A llsa 2A Roger 2A Vanessa 2A

Lexi 2A Emma 2A Grace 2B Helena 2B Harper 2B Mason 2B Maya 3A Neve 3A Riley 3A Daniel Cj 3A Louie 3A Mabel 3B Olobo 4A Tia 4A Mason 4A Jacob 4A Daisy 4A Jack 4A Lucas 4B

**Emanuel 5A** Isabella 5A Lyla 5A Logan G 5B Brody 5B David 5B Simeon 5B Dolcie 5B Maria 5B Fatjona 5B Bobby 5B Leo 5B Logan J 5B Stanley 5B Mollie Mae 5B Samuel 5B Reuben 5B Romaissa 5B o Islal 5B

Roan 4B

Dorian 5B Holly 5B Manraj 5B Arthur 5B Maci 6A Violet 6A Aliyssa 6A Hayley 6A Noah 6A Sidney 6B Amelia 6B Katie 6B Kayla 6B Leah 6B Macy 6B Kai 6B

#### **Dates for summer term:**

- Saturday 1st July Summer Fete
- Week beginning 3rd July Year 6 Residential
- Week beginning 3rd July Year 5 Bikability
- Tuesday 11th July Sports Day
- Friday 14th July Performing Arts show at Hornchurch High 1:45 pm
- Friday 14th July Year 6 Leavers party
- Monday 17th July Year Group Inflatables for PTA celebration of raising £100,000.
- Monday 17th July Open evening 3:30 5:30 pm
- Tuesday 18th July Music Showcase 2:00 pm
- Wednesday 19th July House Winner water fight
- Thursday 20th July Year 2 trip to Kensington Palace
- Friday 21st July Year 6 presentation assembly 9:15 am
- Friday 21st July Break Up for summer @ 1:30 pm



#### **INTENSIVE COURSE**

31st July - 4th August

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