

# HARROW LODGE PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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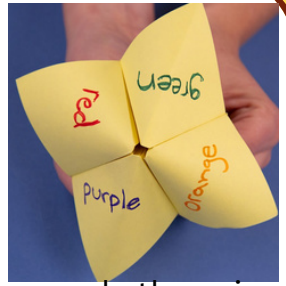


Dear Parents and Carers,

- It's been a very short week but still productive. Here are the week's highlights:
- Firstly, let's return our thoughts to last Saturday and the wonderful summer fete which saw many free activities for families to enjoy alongside other fund-raising activities. The PTA, this year were very conscious of the cost-of-living crisis and its impact on our families and so we wanted to be as inclusive as possible whilst keeping costs down. I think we achieved this and we made a healthy £1500 profit. The rain held off and it wasn't meltingly hot so a good time was had by all. Thank you all again for your support.
- This week, we waved au-revoir to our intrepid Year 6 travellers who bravely set forth into uncharted territory in Ross-on-Wye (on the border of Wales) and the photos coming through have shown that they've been having some exciting days along with some exciting nights (much to the teachers' despair!) They've been Kayaking, climbing, shelter-building, abseiling
- EYFS were elated this week when they discovered that their carrot seeds have now grown into carrots! Lots of discussions followed as to what to do with the carrots and, by popular demand, they decided to make a carrot cake so watch this space! This growing project has been a wonderful way of demonstrating to the children the importance of our carbon footprint and its impact on climate change. In 2025 every school in the United Kingdom will be required to appoint a dedicated member of staff as a Sustainability Lead who will be responsible for their school's emissions and carbon footprint. EYFS have made a very good start towards reducing the size of that footprint.
- A shout-out to Lily-May (5A) this week who has astounded us all by writing a 'bilingual' story!! It was in Spanish and English and I'm reliably informed by Ms Cormenzana that it all makes perfect sense! Well done Lily-May.



Do you remember, when we were young ourselves (yes, I know, that can be a stretch for some of us!!), how we made and played with 'Fortune Tellers'? - those small, origami-folded hand-held paper toys? Well, this week, our Mindfulness Munchkins made some '**Emotion-Tellers**'. These little adaptations of the original games focus on your emotions and feelings and how to recognise them in others rather than focussing on your future!! Miss Bee and her merry band of chilled children made these in their mindfulness club and I was the lucky participant who got to have a go with every different one! We had a fun five minutes pulling faces at each other to show our understanding of expressions!



This week, Y5 ran a 'Greek Day' as part of their 'Ground-breaking Greeks' topic. Ms Howard came to work dressed as a Greek Olympian to be greeted with disdain by her class who told her that she was flaunting authenticity in favour of modesty because the Ancient Greek Olympians typically competed naked!! Ms Howard declined the offer to change into a more genuine reproduction of an Ancient Olympian - clearly, not invested, Ms Howard!!!! The children came into school looking amazing - it was evident that parents had spent weeks gathering materials and designing costumes, well, *most* parents!! *Some* parents, came into work on Monday morning to be told by their son, standing in front of her in full school uniform, that it was Greek Day. Now, most children would be devastated at such neglect but Brody (5B) was confident that his mother Ms Lawson (1A) would sort it out....and so she did! She grabbed her own Ancient Roman costume from when she taught a Roman Day in Year 3, fiddled around with it, folding and pinning it, grabbed a few leaves from the Year 1 garden and sent Brody on his way looking like the most authentic Ancient Greek in Y5!! You see, all parents are caught out from time to time, including those of us working within the system that organises these dress-up days! Not all of us are quite as resourceful as Ms Lawson is at a moment's notice but we all get through life from crisis to crisis and still survive!!!

Hornchurch High visited our Year 5 children again this week for an assembly to start them thinking about secondary schools. You can see the excitement mixed with fear begin to creep over the children's faces as the reality of growing up sinks in!

And that brings us to the end of a short but busy week. 2 strike-days this week in the hope that something changes because we really can't go on like this with so little funding in schools but we'll just have to wait and see.

It just remains for me to wish you all a very happy weekend full of sunshine and flowers and I leave you with this thought:

***"Don't count the days; make the days count!"***

With kind regards and best wishes,

Mrs Searle

## Star of the week:

R1: Ruby  
R2: Rohan  
1A: Ifeh  
1B: Aria  
2A: Jake  
2B: Halimat  
3A: Ollie & Yatniel  
3B: Riaadh & Mabel  
4A: Olobo  
4B: Amanda  
5A: Bonnie  
5B: Leo  
6A: Violet  
6B: Jamie

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: Leandro  
R2: Affan  
1A: Brian  
1B: Grace  
2A: Mahilan  
2B: Shemuel  
3A: Logan  
3B: Albert  
4A: Geddis  
4B: Marnie  
5A: Sofiya  
5B: Isla



## House Points

1st **Centaur** 161 points

2nd **Griffin** 146 points

3rd **Dragon** 142 points

4th **Phoenix** 138 points



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

to.....

**Alicia R2**

**Teddy 2A**

**Reggie 2B**

**Daisy-Leigh 4B**

who had a birthday  
in the last week.

We hope you had a great day!

This week's  
attendance award  
goes to...

**1A & 5A who  
both achieved**

**98.7%**

Whole school  
attendance...

**95.5%**

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

Congratulations to the following  
children on earning their reading  
tokens:

Layla 1A

Ifeh 1A

Olobo 4A

**Congratulations!**

to.....

**George R1**

**Ivani R1**

**India 1A**

**Mithran 1A**

**Isa 1B**

**Teddy-James 1B**

**Adelaide 3B**

**Jack 4A**

**Charlie 4A**

**Arjun 4A**

**David 5B**



on receiving an achiever badge for  
reaching gold 3 times!

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

George R1

Leandro R1

Evani R1

Dollie R1

Kevin 1A

India 1A

Mithran 1A

Chloe 1A

Toby 1A

Liza 1B

Isa 1B

Teddy-James 1B

Adelaide 3B

Cody 3B

Martynas 3B

Tia 4A

Mason 4A

Gedis 4A

Jack 4A

Daisy 4A

Eliza 4A

Olobo 4A

Sahar 4A

Jacob 4A

Doahika 4A

Amelia 4A

Inara 4A

Charlie 4A

Liam 4A

Darcie 4A

Ariana 4A

Olivia 4A

Alex 4A

Arjun 4A

Aya 4A

Roan 4B

Lashana 4B

Lucas 4B

Feroz 5B

David 5B



## Dates for summer term:

- **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**

**PADDLERS**  
Swim School

### **INTENSIVE COURSE**

31st July - 4th August

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