

HARROW LODGE PRIMARY

NEWSLETTER

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Weekly News

Dear Parents and Carers,

- Welcome to the newsletter for the last full week of the term. Here are the highlights:
- I'm going to begin with the run-down of last week's Xmas bazaar which was a huge success. Santa was beaming as he left the premises saying that he'd never met such polite children and he's met a lot of children in his 989 years!! As he was on his way out, he turned to me and said, "By the way, who is Mrs Millard?" I told him that she was one of our Year 3 teachers and he asked if she was a good teacher and a good girl. I told him that she was very kind and an extremely good teacher and I asked him why he wanted to know. "Well", he said, "Jake (3A) told me that she would like a new kitchen for Christmas so I just wanted to check whether she should be on my 'Nice' list or not." Looks like *someone's* in for a great Christmas surprise this year! Well done Jake for thinking of other people's needs before your own!
- The 'Guess the teacher' stall was really challenging this year as we all wore sunnies to hide our eyes along with a Santa beard, hair and hat!! The winners of the hampers were Jacob (5B) who correctly identified 17 out of the 20 teachers and Marnie (5A) who guessed 16 out of 20 teachers correctly! Well done to both children who clearly spend a great deal of time studying the minute details of teachers' faces!!
- The PTA did a wonderful job at planning a fantastic bazaar with pony rides and craft tables and stalls to make pony-treat recipes as well as the traditional tombola and lucky-dip stalls! A profit of £2300 was made which is wonderful. But the best thing about our PTA events is that they are always made as affordable as possible. The PTA are adamant that all families should feel able to come along and afford to take part in a good selection of activities. At no more than 50p for most activities, no child has to go without! A huge congratulations to the PTA for another successful event.



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- This week was awash with Christmas Concerts and Nativities and, oh, how we laughed and how we cried! It's always a highly emotional time for all of us and parents leave with beaming smiles on their faces and tear-filled tissues scrunched up in their hands. Well done to all the participants and to the staff for their hard work and amazing creativity - a real-live Santa stuck in the chimney has to be the highlight of the Christmas season for me!



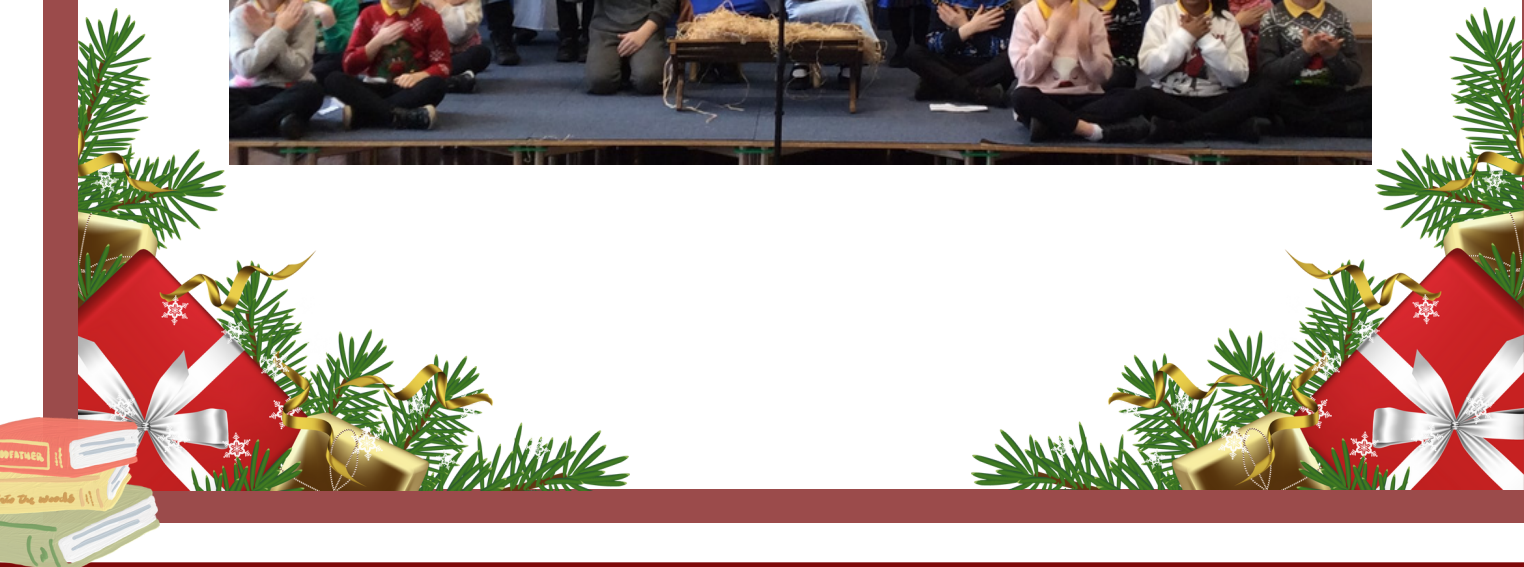
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- EYFS have had a very busy week full of Christmas fun and activities but James (R1), had other things on his mind. While out in the garden, he approached Ms Goodwin and said, 'Ms Goodwin, I just love my mummy, she's really special. It's her birthday today and I want to give her a surprise.' Between them, they came up with a great idea and, that afternoon, at the end of the EYFS concert, in front of a whole audience of parents, James stood on the stage and announced to them that he would like to wish his mummy a very happy birthday and all the children sang Happy Birthday to her! James was beaming and his mum turned a dark shade of red but what a magical moment that will be remembered for many years to come. The Christmas spirit of love certainly pervaded the hall that afternoon.
- A huge thank you for all the Christmas presents you have donated - 69 in total and every one of them will put a look of delight on a child's face this Christmas.
- So that brings us to the end of this week's news. It just remains for me to wish you a lovely weekend full of love and kindness in the true spirit of Christmas and I leave you with this thought:

***"If you look at what you have in life, you'll always have more.
If you look at what you don't have in life, you'll never have enough."***

With kind regards and best wishes,

Mrs Searle



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Thank you for all your sponsor money; we have been amazed at the amount that has come in and we will let you know the total once the charity collates it all.

Our winners are as follows:
EYFS/KS1 - Aidan in R1 for raising £50
KS2 - Joel in 3A for raising £80

Well done to you both and we hope you enjoy your hampers!

Guess the Teacher winners

Well done to **Jacob in 5B** who came first in the Guess the Teacher competition. He managed to guess 17 out of 20 teachers correctly!



In second place we have **Marnie in 5A** who managed to guess 16 out of 20 teachers correctly.

Well done to you both as it was certainly tricky this year!



Stars of the Week

R1: Nailah
R2: Ariana
1A: Alice
1B: Oliver G
2A: Elliott
2B: Haakil
3A: Aleeha
3B: Mason
3C: Ashlyn
4A: David C
4B: Jacob
5A: Muhammed
5B: Inara
6A: Brody
6B: Manraj

Birthdays



Arisha R1	Jude 4A
Amelia R1	Daniel CJ 4A
James R1	Kyle 4A
Jayden 1A	Sarah 5A
Dollie 1A	Zariana 5A
Jamie 1A	Vijaya 5A
Raahim 1A	James 5A
Majus 1A	Iyaz 6A
Yaseen 2A	Dorian 6B
Aarshy 2A	Holly 6B
Zayyan 3B	Zara 6B
Azaan 3C	

We hope you had a great day!

House Points



1st Dragons 416 points
2nd Centaurs 380 points
3rd Phoenixes 336 points
4th Griffins 291 points

Presentation Award



This weeks presentation award goes to Emma in 3B

changes and feelings through their actions.
At the top of the cliff, I planted my gigantic foot into the
messy beach. How was I made? The white sand tickled my
enormous metal foot. Before long, my colossal head turned
quickly to the left and then to the right. Never over had
I seen the sea. It looked amazing! I loved to feel the
white, soft sand. When I saw the noisy and amazing
seagulls, I felt peaceful, calm and amazed. I stopped forward.
There was just space and air. ahhh! ahhh! What happened?
My body was scabbed all over the jagged rocks.

Attendance

This week's
attendance award
goes to...

6A who achieved
96.7%

Whole school
attendance was
94.8%



BOOK TOKENS

Well done to:

Jamie in 3B

for earning your
reading token this
week!

REACHING GOLD!

Well done to the following
children for reaching gold this
week:

Nectarie R1
Nailah R1
Denzel R1
Bella R1
Ashton R1
Yaseen 2A
Brian 2B
Ardion 2B
Shiloh 2B
Paisley 2B
Joel 3A
Polly 3A

Kara 3B
Kira 3C
Promesse 3C
Shriyah 3C
Daniel CJ 4A
Kyle 4A
Eliza 5B
Liam 5B
Zlata 5B
Arjun 5B

Larisa 6A
Bonnie 6A
Nathan 6A
Oscar 6A
Kaeden 6A
Pavel 6A
Emanuel 6A
Sofiya 6A
Alex A 6A
Manraj 6B

Achiever badges

Keep working towards
achieving golds. Once you
reach gold 5 times you will
be awarded an achiever
badge!

Congratulations!



Autumn Term Dates

- **Monday 18th December - Holy Cross Church**
- **Tuesday 19th December - Breakfast with Santa**
- **Tuesday 19th December - Break up at 1:30 pm**
- **Thursday 4th January 2024 - Return to school**
- **Thursday 11th January - Year 5&6 Road Safety Workshop**
- **Thursday 11th January - Performing Arts trip to Matilda**
- **Monday 15th January - Choir singing at the O2**
- **Wednesday 17th January - 6B Safer Bus Travel in Romford town centre**
- **Tuesday 23rd January - Year 4 trip to the V&A museum**
- **Thursday 1st February - Online Safety Show**
- **Monday 12th February - Parent's Evening**
- **Thursday 15th February - Parent's Evening**
- **Friday 16th February - Wear Green for Gardening Club donations.**
- **Friday 16th February - Break up for Half term**