

HARROW LODGE PRIMARY

NEWSLETTER

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Issue 9

Weekly News

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we head into spring, here are the week's highlights:

- Class photos this week proved to be very interesting. Everyone was expecting the usual stand in 3 lines at the back of the hall, say 'cheese' and click, done and dusted! But 'no', this year was very different and the photographers asked the children to pose within a cardboard frame. The children were so confused but some really embraced the creativity and posed like their lives depended on it!! With some photographic magic, all the individual photos will be pasted on a background together - hence a 'class photo'.
- Science week and wonderful scientific activities were going on across the school. 5A win the award for the most exciting science lesson which involved mapping out the phases of the moon using Oreo biscuits! Of course, by the time I got up to the classroom, they'd finished the lesson and packed everything away. I asked if I could at least see the biscuits cut into the moon shapes but I was hurriedly told that all the biscuits had been thrown away. The dark crumbs around their mouths, however, suggested otherwise!!!!
- This week Year 3 travelled back in time to Roman-occupied Britain. They made the long journey to Colchester to visit the castle and learn about Romans in Britain. As usual, behaviour was impeccable and our young travellers learnt more in that one hands-on day than they could have learnt in a whole term in a classroom. These visits are so valuable.
- This week, the children of R1 have been actively engaged in scientific exploration, questioning the "whys" and "hows" behind various phenomena. Captivated by a claim put forth some children, they hypothesised that microwaving sweetcorn would magically transform it into popcorn. With eager anticipation, they embarked on the experiment. So, sweetcorn went in and soggy pulp came out! Fortunately, they had backup corn kernels readily available to ensure the children's excitement remained undiminished. And, finally, the popcorn emerged! And I can attest to its tastiness!



- We're gearing up for our new lunch time play which we're hoping will begin during the last week of term but we're very short on materials. We haven't had a single piece of dressing up items donated. Ms Clarke keeps checking the box in the parent foyer and returns to the office with a dejected look on her face - not a boa in sight!! (That's the feathered type we're after not the reptilian type!)
- Lego is also needed along with small animals and toy cars. I've brought my son's stash of plastic dinosaurs in but don't tell him - he's 26 now but still emotionally attached to those creatures!!!
- You may have noticed pallets arriving for part of our play equipment and I'm hoping spare tyres will follow (I'm not giving up my own spare tyre just yet!!)
- Red nose day today brought out a sea of red and children were able to express themselves through the medium of...well, red! Thank you to those who generously donated. We made £???? for Comic Relief which I know will be well received.
- With St Patrick's Day looming on Sunday, our Willow Class went all out to participate in the spirit of the Patron Saint's Day. They not only dressed for the occasion but they made cakes and biscuits that would rival any pot of gold!!



- And Scoot-Fit came to school this week for our EYFS, Year 1 and Year 2 children. My goodness, when they say 'fit', they really mean 'fit'! Children had a whale of a time but, on their return, they had no breath left to speak a single word....hmmm, I vote we hold Scoot-Fit on a daily basis!!!!
- And that brings us to the end of a pretty quiet week compared to some we've had. Always nice to have a quiet week every now and then. It just remains for me to wish you a wonderful weekend and a great St Patrick's Day for those of you who'll be celebrating and I leave you with this thought:

"It's nice to be important but it's more important to be nice!"

With kind regards and best wishes,

Mrs Searle



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Stars of the Week

R1: Danielius
R2: Vadim
1A: Layla
1B: Albie
2A: Dottie
2B: Ardion
3A: Jacob
3B: Aadam
3C: Ajar
4A: Yaid
4B: Martynas
5A: Roan
5B: Ilinca
6A: Amelia-Rose
6B: Bobby

Birthdays



Sofia R1
Mujtaba 3A
Nathan 3B
Ben 4A
Ollie 4A
Tia 5B
Hayden 6A

We hope you had a great day!

House Points

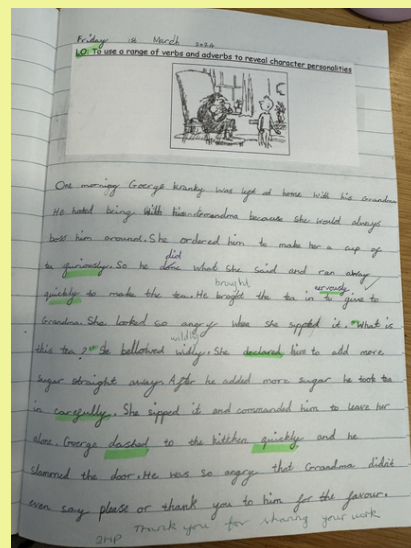


1st Centaurs 605 points
2nd Dragons 528 points
3rd Griffins 511 points
4th Phoenixes 476 points

Presentation Award



This weeks presentation award goes to Aisha in 2A

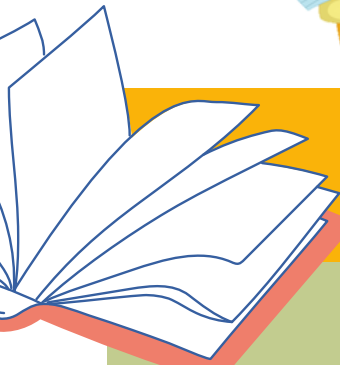


Attendance

This week's attendance award goes to...

2B who achieved **97.9%**

Whole school attendance was **95.6%**



BOOK TOKENS

Congratulation to

Cindy 3B

for earning your reading token this week!

Congratulations!

REACHING GOLD!



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

Arish R1	Dollie 1A	Lorin 2B	Adelaide 4B
Henry R1	Alice 1A	Amelie 2B	Sofia 4B
Arisha R1	Nate 1B	Rebecca 2B	Harrison 4B
Danielius R1	Evangeline 1B	Shiloh 2B	Shayan 4B
Chloe R1	Alicia 1B	Thea 2B	Mia 4B
Ada R1	Mussab 1B	Kasey 2B	Daria 4B
Sofia R1	Rohan 1B	Mithran 2B	Daisy 5A
Olivia R1	Karley 1B	Sidney 2B	Zariana 5A
Emily R1	Zaryab 1B	Toby 2B	Lashana 5A
Nailah R1	Zayna 1B	Ellie 2B	Olobo 5B
Bella R1	Abid 1B	Harley 2B	Gedis 5B
Aidan R1	Vivaan 1B	Vanessa 3B	Amelia 5B
Denzel R1	Dalia 2A	Mahilan 3B	Ilincă 5B
Ashton R1	Laura 2A	Seth 3B	Inara 5B
Annie R2	Diyan 2A	Emma 3B	Darcie 5B
Sonny R2	Elliot 2A	Zirwah 3C	Arjan 5B
Rocko R2	India 2A	Elsie 3C	Zlata 5B
Billie R2	Aisha 2A	Promesse 3C	Tiye 5B
Callum R2	Summer 2A	Ishan 3C	Nitza 6A
Hallie R2	Ifraah 2A	Ajar 3C	Alex O 6A
Harley R2	Murtijiz 2A	Jibreel 3C	Samuel 6B
George 1A	Nate 2A	Oscar 3C	Logan J 6B
Isobel 1A	Paisley 2B	Fikayo 3A	Maaz 6B
	James 2B	Reggie 3A	Lilli 6B
		Ali 4A	

Achiever badges

Well done to...

Ada R1	James 2B	Shayan 4B
Bella R1	Lorin 2B	Daria 4B
Emily R1	Sidney 2B	Olobo 5B
Annie R2	Toby 2B	Gedis 5B
Callum R2	Harley 2B	Darcie 5B
Alice 1A	Promesse 3C	Arjun 5B
Isobel 1A	Adelaide 4B	Zlata 5B
Paisley 2B	Sofia 4B	

for reaching gold 5 times and earning an achievers badge.



Spring Term Dates

- **Monday 18th March – Stay and Learn Week**
- **Monday 18th March – Science week workshops all day**
- **Wednesday 20th March – Year 1 Victorian Day**
- **Wednesday 20th March – Book Fair Arriving**
- **Friday 22nd March – Non-Uniform – Bring an Easter Egg donation**
- **Monday 25th March – PTA Easter Egg Hunt**
- **Tuesday 26th March – Year 4 Easter Play**
- **Wednesday 27th March – Year 5 trip to the British Museum**
- **Thursday 28th March – Easter Bonnet Parade**
- **Thursday 28th March – break up at 1:30 pm**
- **Monday 15th April – Return to school**