



24th October Issue 8



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to the last newsletter issue of Autumn 1. Here are the week's highlights:

- This week we have been blessed, honoured and treated to two wonderful Harvest Festival Assemblies. EYFS gave us a polished rendition of 'Cauliflowers Fluffy' along with several dangly scarecrows shaking their hands and feet with vigour! While Year 5 laid on a veritable feast of singing, dancing and good old-fashioned presenting to share with us everything they had been learning about Harvest. Marco (5A) danced the Samba like a Strictly pro and the confidence on display from **all** the children was truly remarkable. Well done to everyone.
- We carried out our Parents' Evenings this week which were very busy but I had some very handy Year 6 helpers who ensured that parents found the correct classroom to visit for their child. Many thanks to Daria, Jude, Neve, Fraser, Ali, Keira, Ollie, David C, Lola, Diana, Shayan, Taha, Logan, Michaela, Renato and Feryal (Y6) who did a sterling job looking after parents and encouraging them to complete the Ofsted Parent View Survey (we had to practise that phrase several times before setting off to work!!!) And a big thank you to all parents who did complete the survey. We currently have 52 responses which is great but we **could** have a possible total of 500 if everyone completed it so there's still a way to go!!! <https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/>
- Ms Harrison and her Performing Arts Team had a club outing this week. They headed to the West End to see a wicked performance of 'Wicked'! They all turned up in their wickedly green Performing Arts Uniform and watched how the professionals do it on the grand stage! They had a wonderful time - huge thanks to Ms Harrison who organised the event for and to Mrs Kerr and Ms Clarke who helped supervise.
- Today **everyone** dressed in non-uniform in order to raise funds for OPAL. OPAL needs a constant stream of funding because toys get broken or damaged and need replacing and we're also always looking to add new and different activities so today was a day to raise some 'Cash for Community Play'! Thank you for all your contributions - we raised a formidable **£287.52** - that will buy a good crop of soil and plants for our planters.



- This week, we tried a new activity in OPAL - Kit Camp!

Kit Camp is a set of creative construction materials! You can see the children building with it here. It has many pieces that can be slotted together to build whatever the children's imaginations come up with! It's been a big



hit so far but we've yet to add the holding strips - that's when the real building can start developing!! This Kit Camp was £2500 so it should be really good quality but it does need some practice at clipping the pieces together. We're really lucky to have the kit - it was actually a brand new kit given to us by an anonymous donor which is very exciting indeed! Somebody (who can afford it!) thinks our children deserve the world just as much as **we** do!!! If you're out there, reading this, I'd like to say a huge, huge thank you on behalf of the children and myself.

- Sticking with OPAL news, we will be allowing children to wear welly boots after half term because OPAL carries on in all weathers! And so we've also introduced a 'Golden Welly Award' -one for a KS1 child and 1 for a KS2 child who will be awarded the trophy for good behaviour at OPAL!



- 1A have been discussing the late Queen's coronation in 1953 - Ms Goodwin was pleased with the lively discussion that ensued until she overheard a couple of comments like, "We watch Coronation Street at home" and, "I have Coronation Chicken in my sandwiches" Well, at least it sparked a **form** of debate!!!
- Ms Howard has been making 6A cry this week with her dramatic telling of 'The Windrush Child'! - a very moving story according to her class as they sat there in tears at the end of the book!
- And finally, our breakfast club had a very spooky breakfast today to celebrate Halloween next week. Treats were laid out and the hall was decorated in cobwebs and sparkly lights for the children. A great time was had by all—though I'm pretty sure Mrs. Ratty and Mrs. Roberts missed the memo on fancy dress and just turned up as "themselves"!



- As part of their Harvest preparations, EYFS have been peeling, chopping, and grinding up a variety of vegetables, blending them all into a soup which was then consumed by all as a tasty starter before lunch. I was the lucky recipient of a bowl of it for my own lunch and I can absolutely highly recommend the 'Cheeky Chef's Cafe' for a nutritious and tasty lunchtime snack!
- And, finally, thank you to everyone who bought books from our Book Fair this week - it's so important to instil a love of books in your children and this is one way to do it. We also get a percentage of the profits to spend on books for our own libraries and vending machine so we are so grateful to everyone for your contributions.
- And that's the end of the first half term! Please don't forget that all children must wear winter uniform when they return in November. It just remains for me to wish you all a Happy Halloween, perfect Pumpkin-picking and a terrific half-term holiday and I leave you with this thought:

"Be the treat in a world full of tricks."
Mrs. Searle

With kind regards and best wishes,



Golden Welly Award

The award for great OPAL
play this week goes to:

Harley in 2A
Alice in 3A

Well done!



Stars of the Week



R1 Cooper	4A Evie
R2 Daniyal	4B Brian
1A Max	5A Regi
1B Shalom	5B Azaan
2A Hallie	5C Halimat
2B Denzal	6A Feryal
3A Jessica	6B Adelaide
3B Kamiliya	Willow Charles

Kindness Award

R1 Jax	4A George
R2 Freddie	4B Sidney
1A Ava	5A Seth
1B Mabel	5B Max
2A Billie	5C Khaleelah
2B Arisha	6A Ben
3A Vivaan	6B Nicole
3B Lauren	



Congratulations to

Alice 3B
Kimberley 5B
Ashlynn 5B
Vivien 5B
Nadiia 5C



on earning your 50 points to
choose a book from our vending
machine. Well done!

Achiever Badges

Congratulation to

Finley 1A
Camilla 2A
Elliot 4A
Aisha 4A



for reaching gold 5 times and
earning an achiever badge.
Well done!

Reaching gold this week

Bonnie R1	Isaiah 1B	Zayna 3A	Zoey 5C
Zahra R1	Rukah-Ya 1B	Nate 3A	Harper 5C
Cooper R1	N'Myah 1B	Freddy 3B	Aleeha 5C
Lottie R1	Eva 1B	Sofia 3B	Jessica 5C
Dev R1	Hallie 2A	Alice 3B	Halimat 5C
Jax R1	Annie 2A	Ruby 3B	Khaleelah 5C
Luca R1	Parker 2A	Ameer 3B	Rhea 5C
Mariam R1	Vadim 2A	Charlie 3B	Aibinu 5C
Oonagh R1	Fola 2A	Logan 3B	Grace 5C
Tallulah R2	Lexi 2A	Raahim 3B	Polly 5C
Ollie R2	Isa 2A	Evani 3B	Joshua 5C
Danyil R2	Jude 2A	Elliot 4A	Jacob 5C
Max R2	Camilla 2A	Aisha 4A	Jimmy 5C
Haniya R2	Fletcher 2B	Jamie 5A	Judah 5C
Freddie R2	Ada 2B	Emma 5A	Joel 5C
Aaliyah R2	Dexter 2B	Irhaa 5B	Reggie 5C
Amayah 1A	Sofia 2B	Max 5B	Adam 5C
Amaria 1A	Tasnim 2B	Kevin 5B	Michaela 6A
Teddy 1A	Vinnie 2B	Sinachi 5B	Yaid 6A
Ava 1A	Siyana 2B	Mark 5B	Logan 6A
Kiaan 1A	Arham 3A	Jibreel 5B	Albert 6B
Madalin 1A	Aaron 3A	Oyintade 5B	Shakira 6B
Finley 1A	Kai 3A		Daria 6B

Presentation Award

Thursday 23rd Oct
One night the
boys were up and
searched everywhere
he looked in the
boys house
at the toy chest
but he could not
find them.



Niyanshi in 1B



Autumn Term Dates

- Monday 3rd November back to school
- Monday 3rd November - Individual pupil photos
- Monday 3rd November - PTA Firework Night
- Tuesday 11th November - Remembrance Service @ 10:30
- Friday 14th November - Children in Need
- Tuesday 18th November - Flu immunisation catch up day
- Monday 24th November - Stay and Learn week
- Thursday 4th December - Reindeer Run
- Friday 5th December - Whole school trip to the panto @ Queen's Theatre
- Week beginning 8th December - EYFS & KS1 Christmas concerts. Dates and times TBC
- Thursday 11th December - NSPCC Christmas Jumper day and Christmas dinner
- Friday 12th December - PTA Christmas Bazaar
- Monday 15th December - Christmas Piano Music assembly @ 2:15
- Wednesday 17th December - PTA Breakfast with Santa
- Thursday 18th December - Choir singing in Romford Town Centre @ 1:00 pm
- Friday 19th December - Holy Cross Church and break up at 1:30 pm

