

## School Newsletter

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> November 2021

### Celebration assembly

This half term's theme in PSHE lessons is 'celebrating differences'. Well done to the pupils below who were chosen by their teachers to receive special certificates in today's Celebration assembly for being inclusive.

Nursery Acorn Class	Evelyn-Rose
Reception Chestnut Class	Eddie
Reception Maple Class	Lily
Year 1 Ash Class	Nancy
Year 1 Cedar Class	Alfie, Leilah, Nuzairah, Rosa-Lee
Year 2 Birch Class	Harry
Year 2 Elder Class	Alayna
Year 2 Pine Class	Aoife

### House points

Congratulations to the following pupils for earning the most house points in their class this week.

Reception Chestnut Class	Riley
Reception Maple Class	Miles
Year 1 Ash Class	Lennon
Year 1 Cedar Class	Lenny
Year 2 Birch Class	Tyler
Year 2 Elder Class	Demmie
Year 2 Pine Class	Elicia

Well done to all of the pupils in **Red** house for earning more house points than the other houses this week.

### Attendance

We aim to achieve above the national average attendance which is 96%. Well done to Reception Maple class for having the best attendance in school this week.

Reception Maple Class	95.5%
Reception Chestnut Class	95.3%
Year 1 Ash Class	94.9%
Year 1 Cedar Class	94.1%
Year 2 Birch Class	89.6%
Year 2 Pine Class	89.5%
Year 2 Elder Class	87.5%

## Returning to school after the Christmas break

Please note that there is a change to the term dates for the spring term. Instead of children returning to school after the Christmas break on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2022, school will be reopening to children on **Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2022.**

## In class this week

Year 1 Cedar class have enjoyed learning about Diwali this week with Mrs Mehta.



Miss Hackett, Mrs Robinson, Mr Martisius, Mrs Sullivan and Miss Dempsey dressed up in traditional Indian outfits to celebrate Diwali in Reception.

Happy Diwali to all of the Harefield families that Celebrated Diwali earlier this week.



On Friday 19<sup>th</sup> November we are holding a sponsored event for Children in Need. We are asking all of our children and staff in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 to take part in a sponsored silence. Can everyone stay silent for 30 minutes? You may sponsor them in five minute slots.

Our Acorn Nursery children will be having a danceathon in the school hall. Can your little Acorn dance for 30 minutes?

Every little bit that we can raise will go to help vulnerable children all across the UK. Friday 19<sup>th</sup> November will also be a non-uniform day and children can come to school dressed in spotty clothes or as many colours as possible.

## Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal

We will be selling poppies in the mornings in either the Infant or Junior School playgrounds. We are also selling a limited number of Poppy Appeal children's items in school from Monday 8<sup>th</sup> November:



Snap Band/Ruler – £1.50

Wrist Band – £1.00

Zip Pull – 50p

Reflective Tag – 50p

If your child would like to buy any of these items, please send the money into school in a sealed envelope indicating how much is enclosed and what it is for.

## School photographs

Order forms for individual and family photographs have now been sent home. Please place your order online with Tempest Photography or return your order form and payment to school no later than **Friday 12<sup>th</sup> November**. Thank you.

## Christmas card orders

Please return your Christmas card orders with payment in an envelope (cash/cheque made payable to Harefield Infant School) no later than **Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> November**. Thank you.

## Key dates for your diary

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> November: Year 2 Elder class assembly in the school hall for Elder class parents.

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> November: Children in Need fundraising and non-uniform day.

Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> December 9am: Reception Nativity performance for parents. More details to follow.

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> December 9am and 2pm: Whole school carol singing concert in the school hall for parents. More details to follow.

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> December: Christmas pantomime in school for children.

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> December: Last day of term for Nursery.

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December: Non uniform day-wear Christmas jumpers.

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December 2021: Last day of Autumn term. School finishes at 1pm.

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2022: Teacher training day. School closed for pupils.

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2022: First day of Spring term.