

School Newsletter

Friday 20th January 2023

Celebration assembly

Well done to the pupils below who were chosen by their teachers to receive certificates in today's Celebration assembly for spreading happiness in school this week.

Nursery Acorn Class	Liza
Reception Chestnut Class	Annie
Reception Maple Class	Ray
Year 1 Ash Class	Ellie
Year 1 Redwood Class	Lilly-Belle
Year 2 Birch Class	Tivonge and Christiana
Year 2 Elder Class	Sarah

House points

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

Reception Chestnut Class	Evelyn and Ayden
Reception Maple Class	Erin-May and Betsy
Year 1 Ash Class	Bowie and Zarghona
Year 1 Redwood Class	Lily
Year 2 Birch Class	Kiaan
Year 2 Elder Class	Yasmina

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

Attendance Ladder

Attendance

We aim to achieve above the national average attendance which is 96%. Well done to Year 1 Redwood and Reception Maple classes for the achieving that target this week.

Year 1 Redwood Class	97%
Reception Maple Class	96%
Year 2 Birch Class	94%
Reception Chestnut Class	91%
Year 1 Ash Class	90%
Year 2 Elder Class	90%



School Governor Visit

School Governors are volunteers who work alongside the school's leadership team. They play an important strategic role in the school and:

- set the aims and objectives for the school;
- set the policies for achieving those aims and objectives;
- set the targets for achieving those aims and objectives;
- monitor and evaluate the progress the school is making towards achievement of its aims and objectives;
- are a source of challenge and support to the school's leadership team (a critical friend).

Some of the Governors visited school this week to look at Phonics and Mathematics teaching in each class.



"I had an excellent morning observing how the children are progressing with the new phonics scheme and also in maths. They were very well behaved and focussed in the lessons. Well done to the children and staff."

Mrs R. Scott (Chair of Governors)

"This morning I was invited to join the school's leadership team as they showed myself and a few other Governors around the school. We were first taken into lessons to see how the White Rose Maths was being delivered from Reception classes through to Year 2. The children were all engaged in their learning and the resources they had available to them, both visually and tangibly, were spot on for helping them to process the class objectives. The second stage of the visit was to see how phonics was taught across the school to encourage better comprehension of words and sounds. All abilities of children were supported and where necessary they were in groups at similar levels of reading to enable a specific delivery of the lesson objectives. The new approach to reading sees the children working in pairs to encourage each other. This seems to be working really well and it is so nice to see it instil confidence in sharing learning and questions with each other."



Mrs M. Henry (Vice Chair of Governors)

Forest School

At Forest School, this week Year 2 Birch class made magic carpets out of nature. They had great fun!



We are very lucky to be able to provide regular Forest School sessions at our school. Our Forest School leader, Mrs Copley, checks the Forest School area every day before each session to make sure the area is safe and also that the weather will allow for a session to take place. As the children have waterproof coats and boots and there is a covered area, Forest School does go ahead even if it is cold or raining. Forest School will only be cancelled if it is unsafe for the children to be in the area, for example, when it is extremely windy.

Key dates for your diary

February

Wednesday 8th and Thursday 9th February: Parent-teacher meetings from 3.30pm to 6pm.

Thursday 9th February: Year 2 Elder class assembly for parents in the school hall at 9am.

Monday 13th to Friday 17th February 2023: Half term.

March

Thursday 2nd March: World Book Day. Non-uniform day-pupils can dress up as a book character.

Week beginning 13th March: British science week. Further details to follow.

Friday 17th March: Red Nose Day fundraising activities. Further details to follow.

Thursday 23rd March: Year 1 Redwood class assembly for parents in the school hall 9am.

Friday 24th March: Year 1 trip to RAF Hendon.

Tuesday 28th March: Spring concert for parents at 9am and 2.30pm. Further details to follow.

Thursday 30th March: Easter bonnet parade.

Thursday 30th March 2023: Last day of Spring term for Nursery pupils.

Friday 31st March 2023: Last day of Spring term for Reception, Year 1 and 2 pupils. School finishes at 1pm.

Summer Term

Monday 17th April 2023: Teacher training day. School closed for pupils.

Tuesday 18th April 2023: First day of Summer term.

Monday 1st May 2023: Bank holiday-school closed.

Monday 8th May 2023: Bank holiday-school closed.

Monday 29th May to Friday 2nd June 2023: Half term.

Wednesday 19th July 2023: Last day of Summer term for Nursery pupils.

Thursday 20th July 2023: Last day of Summer term for Reception, Year 1 and 2 pupils. School finishes at 1pm.



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Invitation to attend GRT Digital Skills Information Event

Learn Hillingdon Adult and Community Education are planning to run a course specific to GRT (Gypsy, Traveller and Romany) women to help improve their IT & Digital Skills. They would like to invite you and your members to join them at Harefield Children's Centre on Friday 3rd February 2023 at 9.45am where you will be able to find information on the Digital Skills course and offer ideas about specific needs and interests they might be able to include.

Hillingdon Autistic Care & Support

Coffee Morning with Hillingdon Talking Therapies - Mindfulness



This is a chance for parents/carers to meet up in a relaxed atmosphere, enjoy tea or coffee and a sweet treat alongside our Family Support Team and access up-to-date information about what's going on both at HACS and locally.

Date: Wed 18th Jan 2023

Time: 10:00 -12:00 PM

Location: HACS Resource Centre, Dudley Pl,
Hayes UB3 1PB, UK

Book your place here: <https://www.hacs.org.uk/events-1/coffee-morning-18-01-with-hillingdon-talking-therapies-mindfulness-session>

