

Friday 21st December 2023

Merry Christmas!

What a great term we've had at Harefield Infant and Junior schools with so much to celebrate. The children have made great progress in their new classes thanks to the hard work of our fantastic teaching staff. The Junior school had a very good Ofsted Inspection. There have been lots of events for pupils, parents and staff to enjoy together such as the Travel Back in Time Day, Family Fireworks Evening and recent Christmas Concerts. A big thank you to all of our staff and the school's PTA for making these events such a success. Have a merry Christmas-see you on Tuesday 9th January 2024!



Attendance

We are aiming to achieve an attendance of 96% this year. Unfortunately, none of the classes achieved that this week.

Year 1 Redwood Class	94%
Year 3 Iroko Class	94%
Year 6 Aspen Class	94%
Year 5 Meranti Class	93%
Reception Maple Class	91%
Reception Chestnut Class	90%
Year 3 Willow Class	90%
Year 1 Ash Class	89%
Year 4 Juniper Class	88%
Year 5 Elm Class	86%
Year 2 Elder Class	85%
Year 4 Spruce Class	85%
Year 2 Birch Class	82%
Year 6 Beech Class	77%

Attendance Ladder



“From the Nursery Year onwards, children are taught the importance of being kind and respectful.”
Infant school Ofsted Inspection report

Attendance raffle

Congratulations to the following children for winning this term's attendance raffle:
 1st prize-a Nintendo Switch OLED Console & Mario Cart game won by Zoe (Year 3 Iroko class).

2nd prize-a mountain bike won by Ryden (Reception Chestnut class).

3rd prize-a family day out to Legoland won by Henry (Year 3 Iroko class).

At the end of next term, children that achieve the 96% target will be entered into the attendance raffle with a chance of winning some amazing prizes.

100% Attendance

Congratulations to the following pupils who came in to school every day, achieving 100% attendance this term.

Class	Name
Reception Chestnut Class	Zayne
Reception Maple Class	Archer, Cezar, Elson and Tyler
Year 1 Ash Class	Kelsey, Larosa and Olivia
Year 1 Redwood Class	Bradley, Harry, Matthew and Nathan
Year 2 Birch Class	Ben, Iris, Lilly-Belle, Miles and Millie
Year 2 Elder Class	Amanda, Christalona, Fernando and Mary
Year 3 Iroko Class	Christiana, Flynn and Jasmine
Year 3 Willow Class	Marcus, Nancy, Ollie, Stanlie and Yasmina
Year 4 Juniper Class	Alyssa, Anjola, Lola, Phoenix, Thomas, Tyler and Yanis
Year 4 Spruce Class	Harper, Harry, Jacob, Jude, Kieran, Scarlett and Tyler
Year 5 Elm Class	Adna and Ethan
Year 5 Meranti Class	Charlie, Chloe L, Jayden and Oliver S
Year 6 Aspen Class	Ahmed, Ella and Yaseen
Year 6 Beech Class	Bradley, Matthew and Millie

Inter-house football competition

Each class held an inter house football competition this week. Congratulations to the winners below who received their medals in Monday's Celebration assembly.

Class	Winning house	Winning team
Year 3 Iroko class	Blue	Ava, Ruby, Aiden, Lucas, Jasmine, George and Henry.
Year 3 Willow class	Yellow	George, Lennon, Sarah, Hunter and Stanlie.

**"Highly trained staff offer well targeted support. As a result, pupils often make rapid improvements in their reading."
 Junior school Ofsted Inspection report**

Year 4 Juniper class	Blue	Alyssa, Amelia, Fleur, Frank, Jack C, Jamie, Lola, Phoenix and Thomas
Year 4 Spruce class	Yellow	Dani, Finn, Georgia, Jacob, Kieran, Lennie and Olivia
Year 5 Elm class	Blue	Frankie, Ollie, Sofia, Adna and Max
Year 5 Meranti class	Green	Aran, Charlie, Chloe B and Molly
Year 6 Aspen class	Red	Storm, Tommy, Tulisa, Ruby, Lottie, Ellie and Sauravi
Year 6 Beech class	Yellow	Elliott, Jake, Luca, Macie, Mujib and Robbie

Skillsbuilder project

At the end of each term, children work in small groups to complete a Skillsbuilder project that involves developing 8 key skills: aiming high, creativity, leadership, listening, problem solving, speaking, staying positive and teamwork. Year 5 got very creative making sock snowmen.



“It’s better than my last school because I’ve made more friends here .”
Year 4 pupil

Starting primary school

If you have a child born between
1 September 2019
and **31 August 2020**

You must apply for a school place by

15 January 2024

For full details, key dates
and to apply online, visit:
[www.hillingdon.gov.uk/
schooladmissions](http://www.hillingdon.gov.uk/schooladmissions)

or please call: ☎ 01895 556644



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Applying for a place in Reception at the Infant school for September 2024

If your child was born between 1st September 2019 and 31st August 2020, you must apply for a school place by Monday 15th January 2024. For full details and to apply online, visit:

www.hillingdon.gov.uk/schooladmissions

Applying for a place in Year 3 at the Junior school for September 2024

If your child is currently in year 2, you must apply for a junior school place by Monday 15th January 2024. For full details and to apply online, visit:

www.hillingdon.gov.uk/schooladmissions

Starting junior school

If you have a child in Year 2 who currently
attends an infant school

You must apply for a junior school place by

15 January 2024

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"I like phonics because it's helped me learn to read"
Year 2 pupils

Key dates for your diary

Spring term 2024

Monday 8th January 2024: Teacher training day. School closed for pupils.

Tuesday 9th January 2024: First day of Spring term.

Monday 12th February to Friday 16th February 2024: Half term-school closed for pupils.

Thursday 28th March 2024: Last day of term. School finishes at 1pm.

Summer term 2024

Monday 15th April 2024: Term starts for pupils.

Monday 27th May to Friday 31st May 2024: Half term-school closed for pupils.

Friday 19th July 2024: Last day of term. School finishes at 1pm.



 **HAREFIELD**
INFANT SCHOOL

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JUNIOR SCHOOL

LUNCH AND A MOVIE

THURSDAY 18TH JANUARY 2024


Dress up as your favourite movie character.

Your favourite movie food is on the menu:

- Hotdog (chicken or veggie)*
- Nachos*
- Corn on the Cob*
- Ice Cream*

Book this special lunch with The Pantry and watch a lunchtime movie on the day.

Visit their website www.thepantrycatering.co.uk



“Children settle quickly when they join the school in the early years. This is because leaders and teachers have clear expectations.”
Infant school Ofsted Inspection report

School PTA News

Harefield Infant and Junior Schools had a surprise visit on Friday from Santa, Rudolph and the elves! They took over assembly and the children were delighted to discover they were all on the nice list. Unfortunately, Mr Downs made the naughty list this year because of his terrible dad jokes!

Santa handed out gifts to every class like popcorn makers, a chocolate fountain, table football, games and tonie boxes.

Santa and his elves then stayed for photos with all the children and enjoyed hot chocolate and snacks.



Thank you to all the parents/carers and everyone who attended and donated so generously. We appreciate your support so much! Santa pulled out the winning raffle ticket at the end of the day with an audience and the hamper was won by Maisie- congratulations Maisie!

We hope you all had a lovely time. We will be doing loads more fun events and surprises in the new year raising money for the school and everyone is welcome to join in and help out. Thank you to the PTA team. You smashed it!

Community News

Do you want to design the new logo for SEND and Alternative Provision for partners to use across Hillingdon?

Design a Logo Competition for Children and Young People (4-19 yrs or up to 25 yrs with SEND) in Hillingdon!

Design a new partnership logo for the Hillingdon Local Area Special Educational Needs and Disabilities and Alternative Provision Partnership.

The logo needs to represent the partnership between Education (schools and the Council), Health (e.g. Speech and Language Therapy, Occupational Therapy, GPs etc) and Social Care and Voluntary Sector (e.g. HACs, Centre for ADHD and Autism, Hillingdon Parent Carer Forum etc).

We are looking for children and young people to design our logo and help to represent our partnership with children at the heart of everything!

- ★ Winning Logo to be selected by representatives from Hillingdon local area partnership
- ★ Prize for winning logo design - Love2Shop voucher - £50! Winning logo will be used on all SEND documentation, emails, strategy, LEAP etc.
- ★ Submit your Logo with your name, age, contact email and school or college to: education@hillingdon.gov.uk (please confirm your parents are happy for us to share your name and school if we choose your design as the winning logo)



“The school provides extensive opportunities for pupils to develop their talents and interests.”

Junior school Ofsted Inspection report