

## School Newsletter

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> September 2024

### Celebration assembly

This week we have had a focus on speaking, one of the eight Skillsbuilder skills we focus on at school. Well done to the following children for being chosen to receive special certificates in today's celebration assembly for speaking confidently in class this week.



You can find out more about Skillsbuilder on the following website:

<https://www.skillsbuilder.org/universal-framework>

Reception Chestnut Class	Madison
Reception Maple Class	Uday
Year 1 Ash Class	Bella & David
Year 1 Redwood Class	Henry
Year 2 Birch Class	Larosa
Year 2 Elder Class	Roan
Year 3 Iroko Class	Iris
Year 3 Willow Class	Sajan
Year 4 Juniper Class	Tivo
Year 4 Spruce Class	Louie
Year 5 Sycamore Class	Pearl
Year 5 Walnut Class	Lennie & Luke
Year 6 Aspen Class	Dolly B
Year 6 Beech Class	Sienna

### House points

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

Reception Chestnut Class	Yeka
Reception Maple Class	Ralphy
Year 1 Ash Class	Selena
Year 1 Redwood Class	Darius
Year 2 Birch Class	Max
Year 2 Elder Class	Bunnie-Blue
Year 3 Iroko Class	Miles
Year 3 Willow Class	Spring
Year 4 Juniper Class	Lucas
Year 4 Spruce Class	Nancy
Year 5 Sycamore Class	Aoife
Year 5 Walnut Class	Scarlett
Year 6 Aspen Class	Ava
Year 6 Beech Class	Henry & Ruby

Well done to the pupils in **Yellow** house for earning the most house points this week.

### Attendance

We are aiming to achieve an attendance of 96% this year. Well done to all the classes highlighted in green for achieving that target last week.

Reception Chestnut Class	100%
Year 3 Iroko Class	100%
Year 3 Willow Class	99%
Year Aspen Class	99%
Reception Maple Class	98%
Year 2 Birch Class	98%
Year 2 Elder Class	98%
Year 4 Juniper Class	97%
Year 5 Sycamore Class	97%
Year Walnut Class	97%
Year 6 Beech Class	97%
Year 4 Spruce Class	96%
Year 1 Redwood Class	95%
Year 1 Ash Class	93%

### Attendance Ladder



### Forest School

During Forest school this week the children were tree rubbing, whittling pieces of wood, blowing bubbles and bashing leaves onto fabric and paper, a technique known as Hapa Zome.



**Applying for a place in Reception at the Infant school for September 2025**

If your child was born between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2020 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2021, you must apply for a school place by Monday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2025. For full details and to apply online, visit: [www.hillingdon.gov.uk/schooladmissions](http://www.hillingdon.gov.uk/schooladmissions)

**Applying for a place in Year 3 at the Junior school for September 2025**

If your child is currently in year 2, you must apply for a junior school place by Monday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2025. For full details and to apply online, visit: [www.hillingdon.gov.uk/schooladmissions](http://www.hillingdon.gov.uk/schooladmissions)

**Applying for a place in Year 7 at Secondary school for September 2025**

If your child is currently in year 6, you must apply for a Secondary school place by Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2024. For full details and to apply online, visit: <https://www.hillingdon.gov.uk/schooladmissions>

**Key dates for your diary**

**September**

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> September: Year 4 trip to Bedfont Lakes.

**October**

Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> October 9am: Year 5 Sycamore class assembly for parents in the Junior hall.

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October: Junior School Individual and sibling school photos.

Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October: Infant School Individual school photos.

Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> & Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October 3.30-6pm: parent-teacher meetings-further details to follow.

Monday 28<sup>th</sup> October to Friday 1<sup>st</sup> November: Half term break.

**December**

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December 9am: Year 5 Walnut class assembly for parents in the Junior hall.

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December: Last day of term for Nursery pupils.

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December: Last day of term for Reception to Year 6 pupils-school finishes at 1pm.



## PTA News

Harefield Infant and Junior School PTA is a registered charity. Our reference number is 1044958. We have been officially running for over three years now. During this period we have organised free fun events for the children, little gifts for the children, sales, discos, summer fetes, fireworks, paid for the pantomime, leavers discos, and even arranged for Santa to land on the school field in a Helicopter! The first year we donated £7,000 towards the school libraries. Last year we raised £10,000 for the new forest school and outdoor learning centre. This year our target is £10,000 towards Ipads for the school. We will hopefully raise this by December!

We have been able to raise these amazing sums of money thanks to our brilliant volunteers, the generosity of the parents and families of children at the school, teachers, local businesses and the wider community and we are so grateful for all your help and support.

We are run entirely by volunteers so any help is highly appreciated! But if any parent is able to help in any other way than volunteering that would also be amazing, maybe you work for a company that can donate prizes for our raffles, or a company who has a budget for charitable donations or want to run a stall at one of our events. Please get in touch with the School we would love to hear from you!

We have a few events planned over the next few months...

**Friday 27th September 9am** in the Junior hall - MacMillan Coffee morning (proceeds going to Macmillan not PTA) and an opportunity to meet the PTA - if anyone is interested in joining our friendly team or finding out about the events we have for the year (any cake donations would be appreciated).

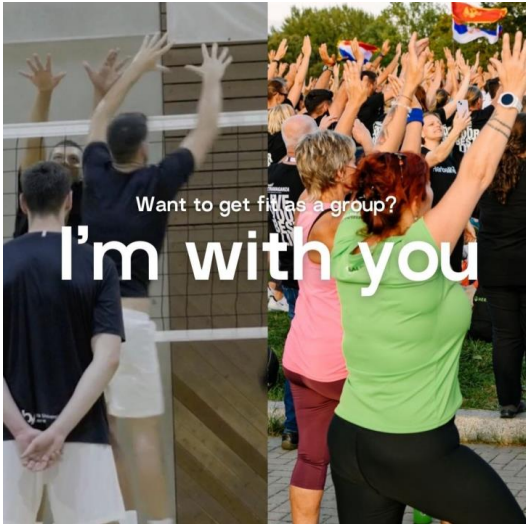
**Friday 25th October** – Halloween Disco - More info to follow

**Saturday 9th November** Family Fireworks - More info to follow

**Friday 13th December** Christmas Event - More info to follow



## Community News



Something for us parents and carers.  
Registration opens for our brand new 4-week fitness wave 🐾

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> September 2024 to Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October 2024.

£20 for 4 weeks (8 sessions) Full Body indoor Workout 7pm-8pm @Harefield Junior School Hall (over 16s only) Or £5 Pay as you go.

Come and join a friendly, healthy active community in Harefield.

All fitness abilities welcome. Low and High impact versions available.

[www.24fitharefield.com](http://www.24fitharefield.com)

A FREE TASTER class is also available upon request. Please email:  
[Nickyfisher2018@gmail.com](mailto:Nickyfisher2018@gmail.com)

Age 7-13 Years old

**NEW**  
**UXBRIDGE YOUTH CHOIR**

**Conductor**  
**Tim**  
**Armstrong**  
**-Taylor**



No need for singing experience. No auditions!

First Free session.

Starts 25<sup>th</sup> September 2024

Rehearsals 4.30pm to 5.30pm

St Margaret's Church, Uxbridge

£300 Per year for 33 rehearsals and 3 concerts (in the local community and other opportunities)  
It comes to less than £10 per session!

For extra information or reserve your place, please email Ariane at [Uxbridgeyouthchoir@gmail.com](mailto:Uxbridgeyouthchoir@gmail.com) or call 07887790167