



# **School Newsletter**

# Friday 11th October 2024

### **Celebration assembly**

Well done to the pupils below who were chosen by their teachers to receive special certificates in today's assembly for showing kindness to others in school this week.

Reception Chestnut Class	Bonnie Mae	
Reception Maple Class	Teddie	
Year 1 Ash Class	Michael and Cezar	
Year 1 Redwood Class	Ivy-Rose	
Year 2 Birch Class	Evelyn-Rose	
Year 2 Elder Class	Willow	
Year 3 Iroko Class	Iris and Faye	
Year 3 Willow Class	Georgie-Mae	
Year 4 Juniper Class	Indi	
Year 4 Spruce Class	Sarah	
Year 5 Sycamore Class	Amelia	
Year 5 Walnut Class	Georgia	
Year 6 Aspen Class	Ollie S	
Year 6 Beech Class	Tilisa	

## **House points**

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

Reception Chestnut Class	Ilyan
Reception Maple Class	Azlaan
Year 1 Ash Class	Belle
Year 1 Redwood Class	Aiden
Year 2 Birch Class	Oliver
Year 2 Elder Class	Astijus
Year 3 Iroko Class	Iris
Year 3 Willow Class	Lilly-Belle and Harley S
Year 4 Juniper Class	Charlie
Year 4 Spruce Class	Ollie
Year 5 Sycamore Class	Sophie
Year 5 Walnut Class	Erin
Year 6 Aspen Class	Chloe L
Year 6 Beech Class	Frankie

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

"Pupils are taught the knowledge and skills they need to read confidently."

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### **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,

Attendance

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Year 2 Elder Class	97%
Year 3 Willow Class	96%
Year 5 Walnut Class	95%
Year 5 Sycamore Class	94%
Year 3 Iroko Class	93%
Year 6 Aspen Class	93%
Year 2 Birch Class	92%
Reception Maple Class	91%
Year 4 Spruce Class	90%
Reception Chestnut Class	89%
Year 4 Juniper Class	89%
Year 6 Beech Class	89%
Year 1 Redwood Class	88%
Year 1 Ash Class	84%

	100%	© outstanding
School days missed in an academic year	98%	<sup>☺</sup> VERY GOOD
School days missed in an academic year	96%	© GOOD
School days missed in an academic year	95%	(C) ALMOST THERE
School days missed in an academic year (equivalent to % day each week)	90%	MPROVEMENT Our Attendance Officer will be in touch
School days missed in an academic year	85%	⊗ CONCERNED
School days missed in an academic year (equivalent to a day each week)	80%	⊗ VERY CONCERNED

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### **Music at Harefield**



We are very fortunate to have a brilliant music teacher, Miss Starkey, at our schools. Miss Starkey teaches music across years 1 to 6 as well as running choir club at the juniors during lunchtimes. In music lessons, as well as singing, children learn to play a number of different instruments including the recorder, ukulele and xylophone.





"Pupils develop as confident and fluent readers."

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### **Forest School**

During Forest school this week, the children made musical instruments using natural objects and created music by exploring the different sounds they could make.









# 'A' Team Football Competition

On Wednesday, the Football A Team played Deanesfield in the first round of the District Cup Competition. The side worked extremely hard, played some fantastic football and were deserved winners 4 - 3.

Well done to Sam, Frank, Charlie, Finn, Molly, Jaxon and Ollie.



"When I visited the Nursery and Reception classes it was inspirational to see how much learning can be achieved through play."

Chair of Governors







# 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

Please also visit one of our Reception open mornings to find out more about our wonderful early years provision.

# 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

## 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 <u>Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2024</u>. For full details and to apply online, visit: <a href="https://www.hillingdon.gov.uk/schooladmissions">https://www.hillingdon.gov.uk/schooladmissions</a>

# Key dates for your diary

### 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.

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October: Year 5 Walnut class trip to the Royal Observatory.

Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October: Year 5 Sycamore class trip to the Royal Observatory.

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.

Monday 28th October to Friday 1st November: Half term break.

### **December**

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

Tuesday 10th December: Year 6 trip to The Battle of Britain.

Thursday 19th 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.

"Children are taught the importance of being kind and respectful."
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### **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 area. This year our target is £10,000 towards lpads 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 25th October – Halloween Disco.

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

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

"Pupils appreciate the regular enriching cultural experiences they access such as visits to the theatre, museums and galleries." Junior school Ofsted Inspection report





# **Community News**

