



# Harrington Hill Primary School

## Newsletter

Friday 9th October 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope that you have adjusted to the new routines that the term has presented. A continued thank you to all parents for leaving site promptly after drop off and collection times and for ensuring only one member of the family is attending school site to do so. It is likely that these measures will be in place for some time and we must make sure that they remain high priority for the safety of everybody.

The children are enjoying the new menu of delicious school meals this term. The vegetarian lasagne is a firm favourite! Please see page 3 for the new menu.

All children in Nursery to Year 2 receive universal free school meals. However, if you are in receipt of any benefits, please apply for free school meals online at [https://ems.learningtrust.co.uk/CitizenPortal\\_LIVE/Account/Register](https://ems.learningtrust.co.uk/CitizenPortal_LIVE/Account/Register). If you are eligible, not only will your child receive free meals but the school will also receive approximately £1000 per child, making up a large proportion of the school's funding to help pay for essential resources for the children.

We have recently purchased some fantastic PE equipment for the children. We look forward to receiving the new table tennis tables, cricket set, volleyball resources, badminton set, indoor basketball/netball hoops as well as a selection of fun playground games and toys!

Nation Sports run breakfast club and after school club each day. If you are interested in signing your child up for a club, please contact Nation Sports.

Children have started to bring in some fantastic homework projects related to their curriculum themes; thank you for your support with this. It is very helpful if you can talk with children about their in school learning, encouraging them to explain and describe what they are doing and to do their own research as this will build their knowledge, understanding and vocabulary.

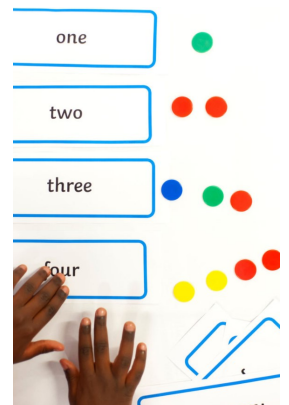
Thank you for your support.

Rebecca Kennedy  
Acting Headteacher



### A sneak peek...

Recently we had a photographer in school to take photos for our website. These photos are being finalised before they go onto the website. However, here's a sneak peek at the wonderful learning captured on that day!



### Key Dates

#### AUTUMN TERM

**Topic Homework Projects Due In**  
Monday 12<sup>th</sup> October

#### Half term:

Monday 26<sup>th</sup> October – Friday 30<sup>th</sup> October

**INSET Day (school closed to all children):**

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November

**Children Start Date:**

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> November

**Parents' Evening Phone Calls:**

Week beginning Monday 9<sup>th</sup> November

**Well-being Week:**

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> November – Friday 27<sup>th</sup> November

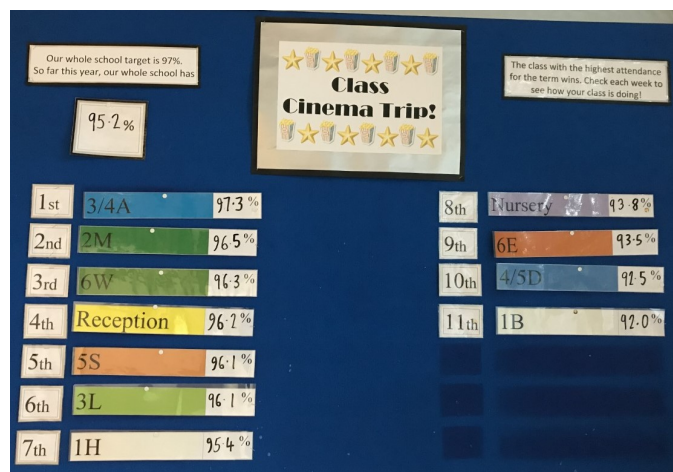
**End of Term Finish Date:**

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December

## Attendance

This week, our attendance as a school was **96.8%**. Well done everyone!

Overall, since starting in September, the attendance is **95.2%** (see display board below).



A big well done to **Josiah (2M)**, **Max (4/5D)** and **Alina (6W)** for winning this week's 100% attendance prize draw!

## Head Girl and Head Boy!

Our Head Girl is Naima Bah in 6W. Naima impressed us with her detailed letter explaining why she would make a fantastic Head Girl. Naima's strong communication skills, proactive attitude and willingness to give anything a try will make her an excellent Head Girl.



Our Head Boy is Alie Mansaray in 6E. Ali is an outgoing, popular member of Year 6 and a brilliant role model for the younger children in the school. He is a good listener, creative thinker and always willing to help out with important jobs around the school.



## Striving for Excellence, Achieving Together!

Every Friday, each teacher awards certificates to children who have shown excellence in class throughout the week. Here are just a few of our winners this week!

Adriana and Amariah in 5S



Malachi, Junaid, Indiya and Kyara in Year 6



**Thank you for helping us keep the school community safe by adhering to the drop off/collection times and one-way system.**