



Harrington Hill Primary School Newsletter

Friday 18th March 2022

Dear Families,

This week many of our classes have been working hard to complete assessments, therefore it was great to be able to celebrate Red Nose Day together on Friday and enjoy some light-hearted relief at the end of the week! We managed to raise **£318.98!** To mark the event, it was fantastic to finally have an in-person assembly again on Friday afternoon—the children particularly savoured seeing a few unlucky members of staff getting splatted in the face with a whipped cream pie! Thank you to everyone for their kind donations.

As always, there has been lots of exciting learning taking place across the school. Year 6 are currently studying Inheritance and evolution in Science and used the information they learned about evolution to create their own evolved endemic species and write a newspaper report in literacy based on its discovery.

3T have been researching information about Joan Proctor, a British zoologist. They have been learning the features of a biography in order to write their own biography about her. In Science, they have been learning about the 7 nutrients and what makes a healthy diet.

As part of their learning focus on the local area, Reception visited Clapton Library earlier this week. They had a special story telling session with the librarian and were each allowed to choose a book to borrow!

This week in 2M, the children have been researching different animals and enjoyed describing them using expanded noun phrases in their writing.

5L have been writing non-chronological reports linked to 'Climate Crisis' and have been learning to use subordinating conjunctions. In R.E, they discussed 'Morals and Values' and created colourful posters to express their values and beliefs.

Year 4 have been working with money this week. They have been learning how to compare, order and problem solve with money. The children enjoyed setting up their own shops and taking on the roles of cashiers, shopkeepers, traders, and bankers.

10 have also had a fun-filled week - they particularly relished taking part in the red nose spoon race on Monday and have also enjoyed observing and comparing weather conditions in Science. In maths, the children have been learning about place value in 2 digit numbers.

With the recent sunshine and longer days, it finally feels like Spring is here! I hope you all have a restful weekend and are able to get outside and enjoy the brighter weather.

Pete Brodie
Acting Head of School



Red Nose Day!



Covid Update

The Government has removed the legal requirement to self-isolate following a positive test. **Adults and children who test positive will continue to be advised to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for at least 5 full days** and then continue to follow the guidance until they have received 2 negative test results on consecutive days or until the 10th day.

Although you are welcome to wear a facemask, we no longer request that adults wear facemasks when entering the school site.

Key Dates

SPRING TERM

Last day of term

Friday 1st April (school closes at 1.30pm)

SUMMER TERM

Children return to school

Tues 19th April

Summer Half term

Monday 30th May—Friday 3rd June

Sports Day

Wednesday 29th June

Inset Day

Monday 6th June

Attendance

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How quickly another week has flown by!

This year we are aiming for an attendance target of 97%

Please note the following

100% Attendance – 0 Days Missed – **Excellent**

95% Attendance – 9 Days of Absence, 1 week and 4 days of Learning Missed – **Satisfactory**

90% Attendance – 19 Days of Absence, 3 week and 4 days of Learning Missed – **Poor**

85% Attendance – 28 Days of Absence, 5 week and 3 days of Learning Missed – **Poor**

80% Attendance – 38 Days of Absence, 7 week and 3 days of Learning Missed – **Unacceptable**

If you need to report your child's absence, please call the school office and press option 2 to leave a message

Class	Attendance	Punctuality - Number
Nursery FT	87.2%	3
Reception	90.4%	6
Class 1O	98.3%	3
Class 2M	95.7%	10
Class 3T	94.5%	1
Class 4B	95.0%	2
Class 5L	94.5%	3
Class 6E	92.5%	3
Class 6P	96.3%	5



Community Feast!



Important information

Getting to school on time

It is important that your child arrives at school on time. The school gates open at 8.45am, ensuring that the children are all ready to learn at 9am. **Poor punctuality is not acceptable.**

Communication with parents

Please be advised that we use **email** as our main way of communicating information to parents/carers. If you are not receiving our emails or if you have changed your email address, please contact the office so we can update our records.

Excellence Assembly Winners

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!



Xeniyah and Eren in 10

Mrs Williams Corner!

Thought of the week

"It's not what happens to you, but how you react to it that matters."



Makaton sign of the week



Chair

Five ways to Wellbeing



Reading Champions



At Harrington Hill Primary School we love to read and we now have some of our most passionate readers working as Reading Champions for the school.

They will be working alongside Miss Pilkington to continue our whole school vision of developing a love of reading in all pupils.

Our first big project is updating the displays in the library so that it can continue to be a welcoming and stimulating place for children to go and read!



Cooking Club—Pizza making!



The children enjoyed making (and eating) their own pizzas in cooking club!

Recycle4Charity



Our PTFA has signed Harrington Hill Primary up to Recycle4Charity. This is a free and easy to use ink recycling programme, that helps us raise funds for the school. Please bring your old printer cartridges to the school and dispose of them in the recycling box (see below) in the school office.

