



Harrington Hill Primary School

Newsletter

Friday 17th June 2022

Dear Families,

Everyone has been enjoying the warm weather this week and it has been wonderful to see some fantastic outdoor learning taking place, including time spent in our fantastic new Forest School.

Year 2 spent an afternoon at the Forest School and used it as inspiration for their writing. They wrote recounts of the fun that they had there and the activities that they were able to do. See the next column for photos of their afternoon!

In Year 1, the children have been finding halves and quarters of shapes and objects. During their science lesson, they identified different plants and flowers and sorted them into wild plants and garden plants. In Art & DT, they learned about a famous media artist named Dolan Geimen. The children were inspired by his use of recyclable materials in his artwork. They then created self-portraits using a variety of materials to replicate his style.

The children in nursery enjoyed reading the story 'On The Way Home' by Jill Murphy and retold the story using drama.

Reception have been learning all about measure, comparison and ordering in maths. They have had fun exploring capacity in the water tray and using the balance pans to compare heavy and light. They have also been enjoying their new core text 'The Sea Saw', empathising with the main character by thinking and writing about things that are precious to each of them.

Since being back from half-term, 3T have started their new literacy text 'Leon and the Place Between'. They have been writing setting descriptions and learning how to write suspenseful sentences. In maths, they have been calculating duration in time. They have started learning about Sikhism in R.E and the life story of Guru Nanak. They have also started their new art topic which is printing and have been looking at their identity and printing in celebratory clothing. 3T have learnt about the artist Uzo Egonu, designed their own celebration outfit and created prints using things they have collected from around school and the playground.

Year 5 have been writing magazine articles about sustainable fashion and trying to promote people to reuse, recycle and reduce. They have also been learning how to create sustainable garments using their sewing skills—they have learned how to do a running stitch and cross stitch.

It has been a fantastic week of learning at Harrington Hill. Have a lovely weekend and enjoy the sunshine!

Rebecca Kennedy
Head of School



Year 2 at Forest School



International Summer Fete Meeting



All parents/ carers and friends are invited on:

**Monday 20th June
at 9am:**

- Share ideas
- Volunteer

Where?

The Community Room
at Harrington Hill Primary

We hope to see you there!

Key Dates

SUMMER TERM

Class Photographs

Monday 27th June

Sports Day

Wednesday 29th June

International Evening/Summer Fair

Thursday 7th July

Final day of Summer Term

Wednesday 20th July (1.30pm finish)

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**

Class	Attendance	Late Mark
Nursery FT	99.0%	8
Reception	97.1%	15
Class 1O	89.2%	9
Class 2M	95.7%	17
Class 3T	95.5%	6
Class 4B	96.4%	4
Class 5L	95.8%	8
Class 6E	90.0%	10
Class 6P	88.5%	14

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



Important information

Warm weather

During this warm weather period, please ensure your child brings a water bottle to school each day and wears sun cream/ brings a sun hat for playtimes.

Labelling uniform/belongings

Please make sure you write your **child's name on their school sweat-shirt** and other belongings. With the warmer weather, the children are more regularly taking off their sweatshirts and increasing the chance of misplacing them.

Attendance

Please be advised that absences are authorised at the school's discretion and that if a child's attendance is below 90%, we will be requesting proof of absence. Please continue to contact the school on each day of absence.

Parent Survey

At Harrington Hill, we welcome views from parents and carers to help us reflect on what is working well and consider any areas to develop further. We have been gathering views in the playground after school this week, however you are welcome to email us instead with your response to the following questions:

1. What do you think is going well at Harrington Hill?
2. What do you think we could do to improve your child's learning further?

Emails to admin@harringtonhill.hackney.sch.uk
Many thanks.

Excellence Assembly Winners

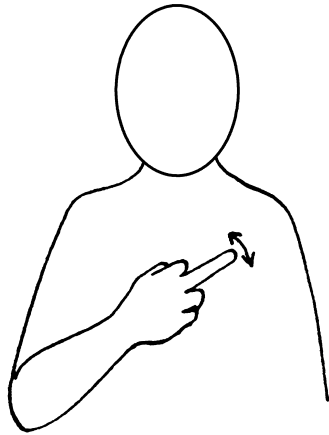
Every Friday, each teacher awards certificates to children who have shown excellence in class throughout the week. Here are just a few of our winners this week!



★ Chrissyann and Riley In 2M

Mrs Williams Corner!

Makaton sign of the week



Toilet

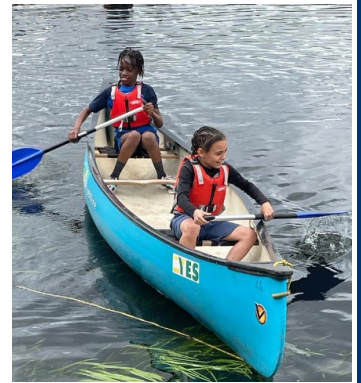
5 WAYS TO WELLBEING



#selfcareforlife

This lovely weather is a fantastic excuse to **be active**. You could take a walk in your local area or visit the park to play in the sunshine. Just make sure you drink lots of water!

Year 6 canoeing trip!



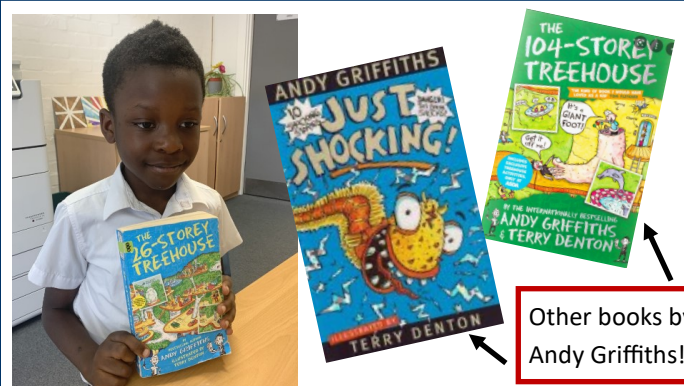
After all of their incredible hard work during SATS in the spring term, Year 6 have been given the wonderful opportunity to go canoeing in the River Lea. 6P went last week and had a fantastic time! They had to be courageous, use teamwork and problem solving to complete challenges set by the instructors and work together to try and move effectively through the water in the right direction (and of course to stay dry!)

Food Tasting in Year 4

Year 4 have been tasting food from different countries and celebrating all the different traditions, festivals and special days they share. Children have brought in a dish that they eat at home and shared with the class why it is important to them and when they usually eat it. They have had a Spanish omelette, Polish cinnamon rolls and an English rice crispy cake.



Book Review



Other books by Andy Griffiths!

'I have been reading The 26-storey Treehouse by Andy Griffiths. This is one of my favourite books because it is funny and I like how the two main characters (Terry and Andy) play pranks on each other. My favourite part of the book is when Terry tried to wash his underpants in the shark tank! I would recommend this book to Years 3 and above but younger children might enjoy having the story read to them. I would give this book 5/5 because the author has a good sense of humour and he has also written some other great funny books. Enjoy reading!'

By Precious (Year 3)