

HARROW LODGE PRIMARY

NEWSLETTER

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Issue 11

Weekly News

Dear Parents and Carers,
Welcome to this week's newsletter. Here are the highlights:

- The week began with the exciting, sad and angst-ridden 'good-byes' to our Year 6 children who headed off to Wales for a week of fun, adventure and excitement! Mums and dads, nans and grandads, friends and neighbours all turned out to wave goodbye. Tears flowed from both the travelers and the remainers and hugs lasted longer than usual but, once the coach pulled away, there were ripples of laughter and cheers! It's a sweet paradox of missing our babies but relishing a week of peace!! As I write this newsletter, our intrepid adventurers are making their way home and, up to this point, all has gone well - no missing persons, overturned canoes or broken legs so I would consider that a successful trip!! Oh yes, they had a great time, too!!!
- Our Head Girl has been making and selling badges to raise money for two wonderful charities and she ended the term by holding a badge competition. There were some great entries but first prize of a £10 voucher for The Entertainer Toy shop went to Evani (1A), 2 runners up prizes of a troll doll bundle went to Jessica and Alice G (1B).



Evani



Alice G



Jessica



- A special mention also goes to Khaleelah (3A) whose badge was charming, beautiful and oozing with charisma. OK, so I *may* be a little biased but I'm still wearing her badge with unadulterated pride!! One of the perks I *am* allowed to claim! All the badge designs entered into the competition were made with such thought that Amelia decided to show recognition to everyone who took part by awarding them with a bag of 'Haribo'. Well done to everyone and a big thank you to Amelia for running the competition.



Khaleelah

- Many of our children attend sports clubs outside of school and I really encourage this - not so many that you never get any down time but just something that gives them a hobby and a focus and obviously enjoyment so, when Zlata (5B) and Kira (3C) took part in a national cheer-leading competition in Nottingham last weekend, it was great to hear of their success - I believe one of their teams secured a bid for the Finals in Orlando - fingers crossed for that! And Adam, Idris and Kara all made Harrow Lodge proud in a Karate contest against many other schools as the two boys won silver medals and Kara received the 'Spirit of Karate' trophy (now *that's* what I call 'living our core values'!) Roger, Seth, Azaan and David also took part and all children were recognised for their determination, aptitude and positive attitude towards the contest. I am so proud of our children and how they spread the good name of our school.



Zlata



Kira



Kara



Idris



Adam

- Year 2 have been very busy this week making 3D beach huts for their DT topic and 3D clay flower heads for their Art topic.



- R1 enjoyed an afternoon of Loose Part Play this week, which may *look* like a huge mess to the untrained eye, but was actually an engaging session focused on building and enhancing mathematical skills, negotiating and problem-solving. The children collaborated to create an animal rescue sanctuary, complete with secret tunnels, electric fences, feeding stations, and, as Luna insisted, a spa! Apparently, even animals need a spa facility!



- On Monday, we invited David Leech back to talk to all the staff about rebooting their mental health over the summer holidays. He told us that teaching is now the most stressful profession topping medical workers, social workers, lawyers and customer service professions so, although that's a win coming top of the stressful professions ladder (sarcasm alert!), we do need to find ways to look after our mental health and David was brilliant, as always, at giving us strategies that we can use to keep our mental health strong and our anxiety low.
- Thursday, of course, was Polling Day and we were very lucky with the weather so I hope you managed to get out and about on that extra day off none of us were expecting.
- Today, Year 4 finally managed to get their field trip to The Chase Nature Reserve which had had to be cancelled a few weeks ago because of really bad weather. Well, the weather still wasn't great today but at least it wasn't torrential rain. The children had a wonderful time and learnt a great deal - plus 'forestry' environments are very good for your mental health so they all returned in a very zen state - can't say the same necessarily for the teachers!!
- Monday also saw the launch of our bid in Tesco's for £1500 to go towards a Sensory Garden for our children with additional needs. It's been great fun seeing posts on WhatsApp of your children filling our box with their tokens! Keep it up - we only have 3 months to get our votes in and, don't forget, there are lots of stores to vote in!!
- And today was 'set-up day' for tomorrow's summer fete. Thank you to all of you who helped today; I know Ms Lawson was really worried that she wouldn't have enough helpers but, as usual, you all rallied and made the impossible happen.
- And that brings us to the end of this week's newsletter. It just remains for me to wish you a happy and busy weekend (which includes a visit to our summer fete - you know you want to!!) and I leave you with this thought:

***“Stress is a powerful motivator. It can help you to focus and achieve your goals.
But worrying is like a rocking chair -
it gives you something to do but it gets you nowhere!”***

With kind regards and best wishes,

Mrs Searle





OPAL NEWS



We are still collecting large loose parts for the children to build and play with and hope to have this area ready to open in September. For this we need bottle crates, planks, plastic pipes, guttering, tubing, cable rolls, tarpaulin etc. If you have anything, it can be dropped off during the day; just let us know.

Thank you for your continued support,
Ms M Clarke

Stars of the Week

- R1: Lola
- R2: Wilayate
- 1A: Zahran
- 1B: Shayne
- 2A: Matas
- 2B: Ifeh & Milana
- 3A: Oliver
- 3B: Laura
- 3C: Sonia
- 4A: Riley
- 4B: Hareem
- 5A: Leni-Rae
- 5B: Alex
- 6A: Sofiya
- 6B: Romaiissa & BJ

Birthdays



- Aidan R1
- Paula 1B
- Alicia 1B
- Loris 3A
- Elsie 3C

We hope you had a great day!

House Points

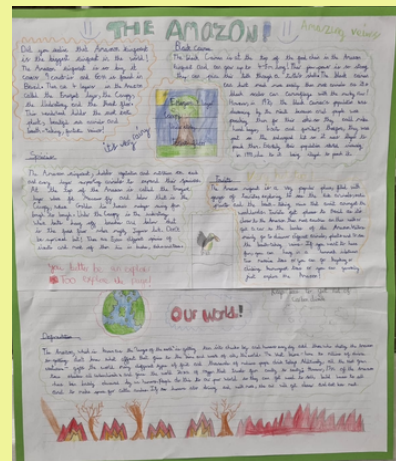


- 1st **Griffins** 325 points
- 2nd **Dragons** 311 points
- 3rd **Centaur**s 293 points
- 4th **Phoenixes** 286 points

Presentation Award

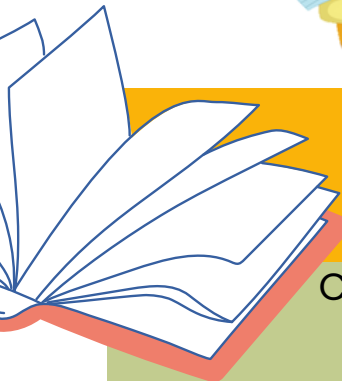


This weeks presentation award goes to Logan in 4A



Attendance

This week's
attendance award
goes to...
2A who achieved
99.1%
Whole school
attendance was
94.6%



BOOK TOKENS

Congratulation
to

Ella 1B
Rohan 1B
Harper 3A
Regi 3B
Roan 5A
Zlata 5B
Tiye 5B
Amelia 5B
Olobo 5B

for earning your
reading token this week!



REACHING GOLD!



Well done to the following children
for reaching gold this week:

Arisha R1	Nate 1B	Jibreel 3C
Sage R1	Affan 1B	Ayanah 3C
Amelia R1	Karley 1B	Sofiia 3C
Luna R1	Oliver G 1B	Fraser 4A
Kendall R1	Shayne 1B	Lola 4A
Matei R1	Zayna 1B	Hope 4A
Ameer R1	Toby 3A	Ali 4A
Sofia R1	Reggie 3A	Ben 4A
Emily R1	Loris 3A	Riley 5A
Nailah R1	Musa 3A	Inara 5B
Aidan R1	Polly 3A	Marta 5B
Tasnim R1	Harper 3A	Amelia 5B
Nectarie R1	Shemuel 3A	Maaz 6B
Billie R2	Khaleelah 3A	Dorian 6B
Callum R2	Jacob 3A	
Dhyan R2	Rhea 3A	
Folu R2	Zoey 3A	
Hallie R2	Jessica 3A	
Isa R2		
Kaylan R2		
Lexi R2		
Parker R2		

Achiever badges

Well done to...

Matei R1
Sage R1
Affan 1B
Oliver G 1B
Shayne 1B
Khaleelah 3A
Zoey 3A
Riley 5A
Maaz 6B

for reaching gold 5 times and
earning an achievers badge.



HARROW LODGE PRIMARY PTA

FAMILY FUN DAY

Saturday 6th July
12pm to 3pm
FREE ENTRY

Wellgate Community Farm

Wheel2Wheel Display Team
Bike trial displays showing jaw dropping performances!

Jo's Castles unlimited
inflatable fun £7 a wristband

JOIN US FOR LOTS OF FUN!

- RAFFLES •
- BBQ •
- COLOURED HAMPERS •
- TOMBOLAS •
- LOTS OF FUN GAMES •
- FAT PIZZA •
- REFRESHMENTS •
- OUTSIDE STALLS •
- and much more!

For more information contact
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Rascals

Miss Swain & Miss Noe Present Summer Festival

Open to all: Reception – Year 6
Ages 4 – 12 years old.

This festival will include a different variety of sports and activities such as Tennis, Archery, Basketball, Football, Dodgeball, Cricket, Arts and Crafts, Dance, Movies, Lego, Table Top Games, Slime, Play-doh, and so much more! We will be finishing each week with a party, serving either Pizza or Hot Dogs and Chips, plus prizes and certificates.

Dates:

Week 1: Mon 12th, Tues 13th, Wed 14th, Thurs 15th, Fri 16th August
Week 2: Mon 19th, Tues 20th, Wed 21st, Thurs 22nd, Fri 23rd August

8.30AM - 3PM

Full Course of 1 Week: £90
Full Course of 2 Weeks: £160
Any Three Day Week: £50
Single Days: £20.00

Venue: Harrow Lodge Primary School RM12 4BP
YOUR CHILDREN DO NOT NEED TO ATTEND HARROW LODGE TO ATTEND THE FESTIVAL.

Summer Term Dates

- **Saturday 6th July – Family Fun Day**
- **Tuesday 9th July – Open evening 3:30 – 5:30**
- **Friday 12th July – Sports Day (weather permitting)**
- **Tuesday 16th July – Performing Arts Showcase @ 2:15 pm**
- **Wednesday 17th July – House winner water fight**
- **Friday 19th July – Year 6 Presentation assembly**
- **Friday 19th July – Break up for summer at 1:30 pm**