

## School Newsletter

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February 2025

### Celebration assembly

This week's theme was our school value of '**respect**'. Well done to the pupils below who were chosen by their teachers to receive certificates in today's Celebration assembly for showing respect through good listening in school this week.

Reception Chestnut Class	Stevie
Reception Maple Class	Bonnie
Year 1 Ash Class	Karina and Selena
Year 1 Redwood Class	Elissa and Ryden
Year 2 Birch Class	Max
Year 2 Elder Class	Logan
Year 3 Iroko Class	Joel
Year 3 Willow Class	Charlotte
Year 4 Juniper Class	Charlie
Year 4 Spruce Class	Stanlie
Year 5 Sycamore Class	Tyler
Year 5 Walnut Class	Josh
Year 6 Aspen Class	Millie
Year 6 Beech Class	Sylvie

### House points

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

Reception Chestnut Class	Jamie
Reception Maple Class	Uday and Aaron
Year 1 Ash Class	Sahej
Year 1 Redwood Class	Darius
Year 2 Birch Class	Harriet
Year 2 Elder Class	Nathan
Year 3 Iroko Class	Ellie
Year 3 Willow Class	Ava
Year 4 Juniper Class	Rosa-Lee
Year 4 Spruce Class	Kaylee
Year 5 Sycamore Class	Susan
Year 5 Walnut Class	Oscar
Year 6 Aspen Class	Jaxon
Year 6 Beech Class	Charlie

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

"Pupils say how much they enjoy coming to school."  
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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.

Reception Chestnut Class	99%
Year 1 Ash Class	97%
Year 3 Iroko Class	96%
Year 5 Sycamore Class	95%
Year 2 Elder Class	92%
Year 4 Juniper Class	92%
Year 4 Spruce Class	92%
Year 3 Willow Class	91%
Reception Maple Class	88%
Year 1 Redwood Class	87%
Year 6 Aspen Class	87%
Year 6 Beech Class	85%
Year 2 Birch Class	84%
Year 5 Walnut Class	75%

### Attendance Ladder



As well as attendance, punctuality is very important. If your child is late for school, they miss the important introduction part of the first lesson during which the teacher explains the key learning. Class doors open at 8.45am and close at 9am. Please ensure your child is in class by 9am.

### Inter-house basketball competition

Each class held an inter house basketball competition this week. Congratulations to the winners below who received their special winner’s medals today.

Class	Winning house	Winning team
Year 3 Iroko class	Red	Louie P, Amanda E, Emir M, Reuben A, Riley J, Lennox K
Year 3 Willow class	Green	Georgie-Mae J, Bowie M, Manraj S, Millie S
Year 4 Juniper class	Red	Zoe P, Christiana H, Carolina E, Lucas B
Year 4 Spruce class	Green	Lenny B, Leon F, Yasmina K, Bella P, Iverson D
Year 5 Sycamore class	Yellow	Tyler K, Remy S, Mason F, Sophie E, Michael P, Pearl I, George R
Year 5 Walnut class	Green	Scarlett C, Erin S, Archie D, Riley H, Jake M, Elicia M, Alejandro V
Year 6 Aspen class	Blue	Ollie S, Jayden M, Chloe L, Lilly S, Matilda T
Year 6 Beech class	Blue	Ollie H, Adna W, Georgia M, Max PL, Sofia P, Frankie H

“Pupils are happy and confident and engage well with each other and members of staff.”  
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### Home discussion topic

This year, we are working with Voice21, a charity that supports schools to develop oracy. Oracy is the ability to articulate ideas, develop understanding and engage with others through spoken language and listening. Oracy skills set children up for success in school and life.



In order for children to develop their oracy, we need to provide them with lots of opportunities to practice their speaking and listening, which we do regularly in school. We will be sharing a discussion topic each week in the newsletter to also provide you with a chance to have an interesting discussion with your children and support their oracy at home. This week's home discussion topic is:

‘Junk food should be banned.’

### World Book Day

It's World Book Day on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March. To celebrate, we are holding a number of events at school.



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**Date:**  
Monday 24<sup>th</sup> – Friday 28<sup>th</sup> February  
After school in the Infant School Hall

#### World book day vouchers

A voucher will be sent home with your child on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February which can be used at the book fair.

#### Book fair

There will be a book fair after school (3.15pm to 3.45pm) in the Infant school hall each day from Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February to Friday 28<sup>th</sup> February.

#### Book character dress up day

World Book Day (Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March) will be a non-uniform day and children can dress up as their favourite book character. There will be prizes for the most creative costumes!

“The relationships the teachers have with the pupils are outstanding, and as parent as well as a governor exactly what I'd hoped to see.”

Parent/School governor

### Half term book competition

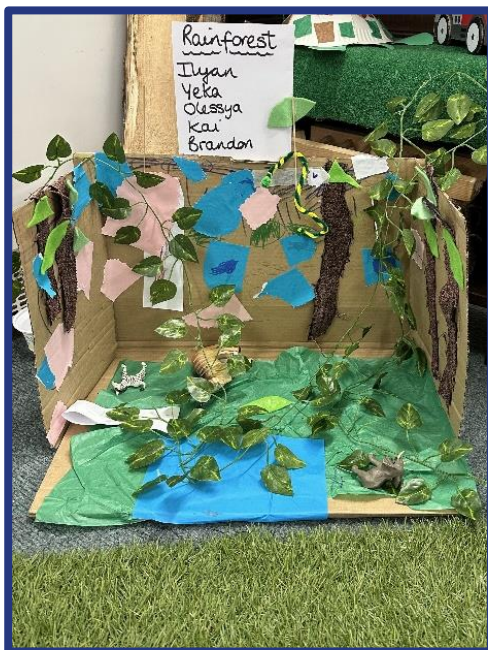
As part of World Book Week 2025, we are having a 'story in a shoe box' competition. Over the half term, we are challenging pupils to use a shoe box as a container to recreate a scene from a book – it can be one that you have enjoyed reading in class or something that you have enjoyed reading at home! There are some examples below-can you guess which books they are from?



Children should bring their finished shoe boxes in to school after half term, on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February, when the winners will be chosen. Each winner will receive a £5 voucher to spend at the book fair.

### In Reception classes this week

The reception children have been learning about different habitats and the animals that live in them. They used what they had learnt to independently create these fantastic habitat displays.



“From the Nursery Year onwards, children are taught the importance of being kind and respectful.”  
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**Forrest School**

At Forest School this week, the children enjoyed toasted marshmallows and popcorn.



**The Pantry catering company's lunch menu for after half term**


HAREFIELD	Date Mar 3 <sup>rd</sup> , Mar 24 <sup>th</sup> , Apr 14 <sup>th</sup> , May 5 <sup>th</sup> , May 26 <sup>th</sup> , Jun 16 <sup>th</sup> , Jul 7 <sup>th</sup> , Jul 28 <sup>th</sup>	Date Mar 10 <sup>th</sup> , Mar 31 <sup>st</sup> , Apr 21 <sup>st</sup> , May 12 <sup>th</sup> , Jun 2 <sup>nd</sup> , Jun 23 <sup>rd</sup> , Jul 14 <sup>th</sup>	Date Feb 24 <sup>th</sup> , Mar 17 <sup>th</sup> , Apr 7 <sup>th</sup> , Apr 28 <sup>th</sup> , May 19 <sup>th</sup> , Jun 9 <sup>th</sup> , Jun 30 <sup>th</sup> , Jul 21 <sup>st</sup>
	WEEK 1	WEEK 2	WEEK 3
MONDAY	Chicken & Vegetable Biryani Margherita Pizza with Rainbow Slaw (GL,MI) Veg of the Day - Green Beans Tomato Pasta (GL) Jacket Potatoes - Cheese (MI), Beans or Tuna (FI) Sandwiches-Ham (GL,SO), Cheese (GL,SO,MI) or Tuna (GL,SO,FI) Ice Cream (MI) or Fresh Fruit	Beef Meatball Mac n Cheese (GL,MI) Mac n Cheese (GL,MI) Veg of the Day - Sweetcorn & Green Beans Tomato Pasta (GL) Jacket Potatoes - Cheese (MI), Beans or Tuna (FI) Sandwiches-Ham (GL,SO), Cheese (GL,SO,MI) or Tuna (GL,SO,FI) Ice Cream (MI) or Fresh Fruit	Creamy Chicken & Sweetcorn Pasta Bake (GL,MI) Margherita Pizza with Rainbow Slaw (GL,MI) Veg of the Day - Green Beans Tomato Pasta (GL) Jacket Potatoes - Cheese (MI), Beans or Tuna (FI) Sandwiches-Ham (GL,SO), Cheese (GL,SO,MI) or Tuna (GL,SO,FI) Ice Cream (MI) or Fresh Fruit
TUESDAY	Beef Burger in a Bun with Potato Wedges (GL,SU,SE) Pesto Pasta (GL,MI) Veg of the Day - Sweetcorn Tomato Pasta (GL) Jacket Potatoes - Cheese (MI), Beans or Tuna (FI) Sandwiches-Ham (GL,SO), Cheese (GL,SO,MI) or Tuna (GL,SO,FI) Apricot Sponge (GL,EG) or Fresh Fruit	Pork Sausage with Mash & Gravy (GL,SU,SO) Veggie Sausage with Mash & Gravy (SU,SO) Veg of the Day - Carrots & Peas Tomato Pasta (GL) Jacket Potatoes - Cheese (MI), Beans or Tuna (FI) Sandwiches-Ham (GL,SO), Cheese (GL,SO,MI) or Tuna (GL,SO,FI) Rice Pudding with Fruit Compote (MI) or Fresh Fruit	Beef Cottage Pie with Mash (GL) Veggie Cottage Pie (GL,SO) Veg of the Day - Carrots & Peas Tomato Pasta (GL) Jacket Potatoes - Cheese (MI), Beans or Tuna (FI) Sandwiches-Ham (GL,SO), Cheese (GL,SO,MI) or Tuna (GL,SO,FI) Pear Crumble with Custard (GL,MI) or Fresh Fruit
WEDNESDAY	Roast Chicken with Potatoes, & Gravy (SU) Cheesy Potato Filo Pie (GL,MI) Veg of the Day - Carrots & Broccoli Tomato Pasta (GL) Jacket Potatoes - Cheese (MI), Beans or Tuna (FI) Sandwiches-Ham (GL,SO), Cheese (GL,SO,MI) or Tuna (GL,SO,FI) Vegan Fruit Jelly or Fresh Fruit	Roast Turkey with Potatoes & Gravy (SU) Creamy Mushroom Pasta Bake (GL,MI) Veg of the Day - Sweetcorn & Broccoli Tomato Pasta (GL) Jacket Potatoes - Cheese (MI), Beans or Tuna (FI) Sandwiches-Ham (GL,SO), Cheese (GL,SO,MI) or Tuna (GL,SO,FI) Vegan Fruit Jelly or Fresh Fruit	Roast Chicken with Potatoes & Gravy (SU) Cheese & Tomato Quiche (GL,MI,EG) Veg of the Day - Sweetcorn & Broccoli Tomato Pasta (GL) Jacket Potatoes - Cheese (MI), Beans or Tuna (FI) Sandwiches-Ham (GL,SO), Cheese (GL,SO,MI) or Tuna (GL,SO,FI) Vegan Fruit Jelly or Fresh Fruit
THURSDAY	Beef Bolognese Pasta Bake (GL,MI) Veggie Mince Pasta Bolognese (GL,SO) Veg of the Day - Carrots & Green Beans Tomato Pasta (GL) Jacket Potatoes - Cheese (MI), Beans or Tuna (FI) Sandwiches-Ham (GL,SO), Cheese (GL,SO,MI) or Tuna (GL,SO,FI) Apple Crumble with Custard (GL,MI) or Fresh Fruit	Mild Chicken & Chickpea Curry with Steamed Rice Mild Vegetable & Chickpea Curry with Steamed Rice Veg of the Day - Carrots & Peas Tomato Pasta (GL) Jacket Potatoes - Cheese (MI), Beans or Tuna (FI) Sandwiches-Ham (GL,SO), Cheese (GL,SO,MI) or Tuna (GL,SO,FI) Vanilla Cookie (GL) or Fresh Fruit	Mexican Chicken with Cajun Spiced Mixed Vegetable Rice (MU) Veggie Bean Chilli with Mixed Vegetable Rice (GL,SO) Veg of the Day - Carrots Tomato Pasta (GL) Jacket Potatoes - Cheese (MI), Beans or Tuna (FI) Sandwiches-Ham (GL,SO), Cheese (GL,SO,MI) or Tuna (GL,SO,FI) Blueberry Muffin (GL,EG,MI) or Fresh Fruit
FRIDAY	Fish Fingers with Oven Baked Chips (GL,FI) Veggie Burger in a Bun with Oven Baked Chips (GL,SE) Veg of the Day - Peas Tomato Pasta (GL) Jacket Potatoes - Cheese (MI), Beans or Tuna (FI) Sandwiches-Ham (GL,SO), Cheese (GL,SO,MI) or Tuna (GL,SO,FI) Fresh Fruit	Fish Fingers with Oven Baked Chips (GL,FI) Vegetable Frittata with Oven Baked Chips (EG) Veg of the Day - Peas Tomato Pasta (GL) Jacket Potatoes - Cheese (MI), Beans or Salmon (FI) Sandwiches-Ham (GL,SO), Cheese (GL,SO,MI) or Tuna (GL,SO,FI) Fresh Fruit	Fish Fingers with Oven Baked Chips (GL,FI) Veggie Dippers with Oven Baked Chips (GL) Veg of the Day - Peas Tomato Pasta (GL) Jacket Potatoes - Cheese (MI), Beans or Tuna (FI) Sandwiches-Ham (GL,SO), Cheese (GL,SO,MI) or Tuna (GL,SO,FI) Fresh Fruit

**VEGETABLES, SALAD, BREAD, AVAILABLE DAILY**

**BREAD CONTAINS - GL - MI - EG - SO**

**ALLERGY KEY**  
 CELERY - CE / GLUTEN - GL / CRUSTACEANS - CR / EGGS - EG / FISH - FI / LUPIN - LU / MILK - MI  
 MOLLUSCS - MO / MUSTARD - MU / NUTS - NU / PEANUTS - PE / PSESAME SEEDS - SE / SOYA - SO / SULPHUR - SU

The Pantry are committed to improving the standards of children's meals across every one of our Schools, and fresh, ethically sourced ingredients are used every day across our kitchens.



“Highly trained staff offer well targeted support. As a result, pupils often make rapid improvements in their reading.”  
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### **Key dates for your diary**

#### **February**

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> to Friday 21<sup>st</sup> February: Half term.

Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> & Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> February: Parent-teacher meetings after school.

#### **March**

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March at 9am: Year 4 Spruce class assembly for parents in the hall.

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March: World Book Day-dress up as a book character.

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> March: Year 4 trip to the Verulamium Museum.

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> March: Year 6 Junior Citizen trip.

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> March: Red Nose Day. Further details to follow.

#### **April**

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> April: Last day of Spring term for Nursery pupils.

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April: Easter bonnet parade

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April: Last day of Spring term for Reception to Year 6 pupils-non uniform day.  
School finishes at 1pm.

Monday 7<sup>th</sup> to Monday 21<sup>st</sup> April: Easter holidays.

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April: Teacher training day.

Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April: First day of summer term for pupils.

**“All the teachers listen to you if you have nay problems.”**  
Year 6 pupil

## PTA News

# Join the PTA!



### Every Parent's and carer's Voice Counts!

We warmly welcome ALL parents—mothers, fathers, and carers—to participate in the Parent and Teacher Association (PTA) to help create a meaningful difference in our school community. Whether you have a small amount of time or plenty to spare, your insights, talents and contributions are invaluable!

#### Reasons to Get Involved:

- Enhance the bond between home and school
- Assist teachers and students with impactful resources and programs
- Contribute your ideas to help shape our school's future
- Connect with other parents, build relationships and make a significant impact

Every voice matters! Whether you can volunteer, share ideas or simply stay updated, your participation is crucial in making our school the best it can be.

Mums, dads, and all carers—we need your support! Together, we can foster a vibrant school environment where our children can thrive and succeed.

If this opportunity is of interest to you, please don't delay send your preferred contact details to –  
[harefieldijspta@gmail.com](mailto:harefieldijspta@gmail.com)



Community news

**FEB HALF-TERM CAMP**



**VENUE**  
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UXBRIDGE, UB10 0EJ

**DATES**  
MONDAY 17TH – FRIDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> FEB 2025

**TIME**  
9AM-3PM

**AGE**  
4-13 YEARS

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Ages 3-7

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**Tickets from £10\***



**Boxville**  
Wed 19 - Sun 23 Feb  
Ages 6-10

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INFANT SCHOOL



**HAREFIELD**  
JUNIOR SCHOOL



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