



EARLSMEAD'S NEWS

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Autumn: Edition 5

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Dear Parent/Carers

We have had another busy week here at Earlsmead, with coffee mornings in our fantastic new nursery, elections for Head Boy and Head Girl and the celebration of Black History Month across the school.

This year the theme for Black History Month is '**Proud to be me**' and children have been encouraged to ask themselves, "What makes me proud to be me?" As we look forward to continue celebrating Black History Month we will use this wonderful opportunity to be part of the national celebrations and events to honour the too-often unheralded accomplishments of Black Britons in every area of endeavour throughout our history.

Children will be taking part in a range of activities in their year groups. We will also be coming together as a school to share in a special lunch on Tuesday and an assembly from Year 3 and workshop on Friday... another fun-filled week planned with endless opportunities for learning!

With just one week to go until half-term, it remains essential that children attend school every day, unless of course they are unwell. I am sure that some children will be feeling a little tired, however they have a week to rest and enjoy to look forward to very soon. In the meantime, thank you so much for your ongoing support to ensure that they are here every day and on time. I cannot emphasise how much of a difference it makes.

Teachers are beginning to prepare for Target Setting Evening which will be coming up shortly after the half term break. This term these meetings will be held either via Zoom or a phone call - depending on your preference. Letters will be sent out regarding this on the first week back of Autumn 2 (week beginning Monday 1st November). Please complete the form and return this to your child's teacher as soon as possible to secure your preferred time and avoid appointment clashes. In Spring Term we will be inviting you in to meet face-to-face with your child's teacher.

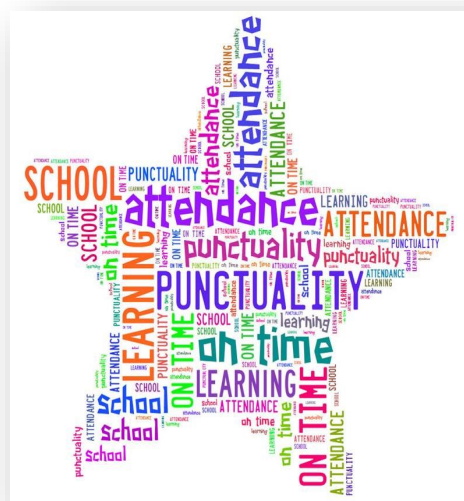
Wishing you all a lovely weekend

Norma Marshall
Headteacher

Attendance

Our attendance target is 96%. We must make every effort to ensure that all children are in school everyday unless they are ill. Well done Maple for achieving the best attendance in KS1 & Meranti who achieved the best attendance in KS2!

Class	Attendance %	Class	Attendance %
Oaks	90.06	Chestnuts	91.79
		Redwood	84.07
Maple	99.17	Cherry	91.36
Ash	96.00	Willow	94.50
Meranti	98.93	Eucalyptus	98.57
Pine	94.40	Sycamore	95.60
Elm	97.95	Greenheart	96.08



Achievement

Congratulations to the following children who received awards
for positive
behaviour for learning!

Redwood: Nevan & Victoria

Cherry: Darron & fatima

Maple: Nour & Muad

Ash: Masud & Pankti

Willow: Noor & Akshara



Eucalyptus: Saihaan & Nathalie

Maranti: Soumigan & Sakshana

Sycamore: Esiais & Rohit

Elm: Talal & Yumnah

Greenheart: Zohra & Johnny

Secondary School Applications

The online application process opened on the 1st September 2021. Y6 parents/carers will be receiving open evening information for all local secondary schools. This

information can also be found online. Applications for Year 7 places starting in September 2021 can be submitted from the 1 September 2021- 31 October 2021.

For more details on the process, including how places will be offered, please see the guide available at:

<https://www.harrow.gov.uk/schools-learning/apply-secondary-school-place/1>

Please ensure your online application is completed by 31 October 2021.

Primary School Applications

To apply for a primary school place for September 2022 please read the information below.

- The application opens on 1 September 2021
- The closing date to submit your application is 15 January 2022

You can choose up to six schools for your child to attend - [see your nearest primary schools on a map](#)

You can see [how primary school places were allocated in previous years](#)

If you do not pay Council Tax in Harrow you will need to provide [documents to confirm your address](#)

Any applications submitted after 15 January 2022 will be considered late and will be processed in April 2022.

You can read further information on how to apply for a primary school place and details of school admission arrangements for each school in our [guide to primary schools 2022-23](#).

LATENESS AND ATTENDANCE MATTERS!

What to do if your child is absent.

CALL US ON 0208 864 5546 BEFORE 9.30AM ON FIRST DAY OF ABSENCE.

We attempt to contact home for any unexplained absences. This ensures that all our pupils are accounted for and safe, especially as some older children walk to school on their own.



Please send a note into school on your child's return if you haven't contacted school or we haven't managed to contact you.

EVERY DAY COUNTS!

What to do if your child is late for school.

OUR SCHOOL DAY BEGINS AT

8.55am. Gate opens at 8.45am.



Lateness is a persistent problem at the school and we are hoping to reduce the amount of pupils who are late this term. Ultimately it is your responsibility as a parent/carer to ensure your child arrives to school on time, however we do realise that matters out of your control can affect your child getting to school at 8.55am. All we ask is that you do your best to get your child to school on time and let us know if there are any underlying problems preventing this. We are always happy to listen.

LATENESS MATTERS!

Have you ever started trying to watch a T.V programme that has been on for 10 minutes. It's hard to get in to and we often just give up. This is what it is like if your child misses the start of a lesson. Vital bits of information are gone and their confidence is undermined.

Thank You

Thank you to all those parents who contact school without delay if their children are late or unable to attend, for any reason.

Each and every day at school is important for your child's future. We fill every minute of our pupil's time at Earlsmead. We want the best for each and every child!

Nursery have been having fun with boxes.



Saplings 1 have been talking about the weather and the seasons.



The year 4 children have been working really hard with learning the skills and rules of hockey this half term



Term Dates 2021/2022

Autumn Term 2021:

Wednesday 1st September 2021—Friday 17th December 2021

Staff Training Day (INSET) Wednesday 1st September 2021

Staff Training Day (INSET) Thursday 2nd September 2021

Half Term Monday 25th October to Friday 29th October 2021

Last day of Autumn Term Thursday 16th December 2021 (school closes at 1.30pm)

Staff Training Day (INSET) Friday 17th December 2021

Spring Term 2022

Tuesday 4th January 2022—Friday 1st April 2022

Half Term Monday 14th February to Friday 18th February 2022

Staff Training Day (INSET) Monday 21st February 2022

Last day of Spring Term Friday 1st April 2022 (school closes at 1.30pm)

Summer Term 2022

Tuesday 19th April 2022—Friday 22nd July 2022

Staff Training Day (INSET) Tuesday 19th April 2022

Half Term Monday 30th May to Friday 3rd June 2022

Staff Training Day (INSET) Monday 6th June 2022

Last day of Spring Term Friday 22nd July 2022 (school closes at 1.30pm)

