



Earlsmead's News

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Spring: 27.03.2023

Diary dates

March 2023

Friday 31st March: Y4 Meranti Easter Class Assembly and Bonnet Parade.

Last day of school: 1:30 finish on this day.

April 2023

Easter Holidays: Monday 3rd April—Friday 14th April.

Monday 17th April: School closed to pupils (Curriculum Planning Day).

Tuesday 18th April: Pupils return to school.

Friday 21st April: Eid-al-Fitr

Swimming lessons begin—Manuka and Ash.

Friday 28th April: Y5 Eid Class Assembly.

May 2023

Monday 1st May: May Bank Holiday.

Wednesday 3rd May: Class Photos.

Monday 8th May: King Charles III Coronation—Bank Holiday.

KS2 SATs Week (Tues—Fri).

Wednesday 10th-16th May: Mental Health Awareness Week.

Monday 15th—17th May: Y6 PGL Trip.

Dear Parents, Carers and Community,

Welcome to our Spring 2 Newsletter. It has been a very busy and exciting half-term and there is much to update you all about!

We would first like to take the opportunity to welcome the many new families who have joined the Earlsmead community over the last half term. We hope you have settled in to the Earlsmead way of life well and please do remember to reach out to us if you need support during this settling in period. You are all most welcome.

At the beginning of the month, and in keeping up with tradition, the book fair visited Earlsmead. Reading is the gateway to all learning and it was so lovely seeing parents and carers engaging with their children with books. The week ended celebrating World Book Day. The unique and wonderful costumes in assembly and around the school were a reminder of the joy books bring us—read on for pictures and more!. Thank you to all our families and to Ms Jaroudi (Reading and Phonics Lead) for making the day a success.



The excitement didn't stop there as the following week was British Science Week. The children explored and investigated together in class and the week was rounded off in style with Y2's Science Week class assembly focussed on the theme of *Connections*.

On 14th March, we celebrated our first ever Pi Day. This annual event marks the significance of the mathematical symbol. Children at Earlsmead were asked to memorise as many digits as they could from Pi. The winner managed to remember the first 260 digits! Read on to find out who it was.

Finally, I would like to mention how lovely it has been to see so many parents attending our class assemblies on a Friday. The staff and children work so hard to prepare for these and it really does make a difference being there to see them perform. Class assemblies will continue as usual and we look forward to continue hosting these events for you.

The Earlsmead team would like to wish you all a safe and relaxing Easter break and we look forward to welcoming all children back to school on Tuesday 18th April 2023.



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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 to **Maple** for achieving the best attendance in KS1 and **Sycamore** who achieved the best attendance in KS2 from last week!

Class	Attendance %	Class	Attendance %
Oaks	95.7	Chestnuts	92.3%
Cedar	74.6	Redwood	88.4
Maple	98.8	Cherry	92.2
Ash	92.8	Manuka	94.3
Meranti	95.2		
Pine	92.5	Sycamore	98.2
Elm	95.7	Greenheart	96.9

Uniform

Reminder: Please ensure that the correct uniform is worn.

Nursery	Reception to year 6
<p>Royal blue tracksuit bottoms.</p> <p>Gold polo shirts.</p> <p>Royal blue shorts in the summer.</p> <p>Blue, gold, white or grey head scarves.</p> <p>Comfortable flat shoes or trainers.</p>	<p>Black trousers, tartan skirts.</p> <p>White cotton shirts.</p> <p>Royal blue jumpers or cardigans.</p> <p>Gold and white summer dresses.</p> <p>Blue, gold, white or grey head scarves.</p> <p>Black flat shoes.</p> <p>Grey or black socks or tights.</p>



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Achievements



Congratulations to the following children who received awards for positive behaviour for learning this half-term!

Saplings 1 & 2

Nicholas, Idris, Sophia, Mina and Kevinton.

Rec-Tina, Gabriel, Ja-laal, Siryjen, Malachi, Swara, Isaac, Ditya, Aarav, Syeda, Nawaf, Yohan, Filipe, Nathaniel, Emma, Aanya, Jessica and Darius.

Ash — Jacob, Fatima, Antonia, Ali, Ayub, Micaiah, Saneesh and Naya.

Manuka — Zainab, Sadiq, Ralph, Sakina, Layan, Anays, Manan and Diya.

Meranti-Arfan, Fatima, Noor, Elisa, Zahra, Rimas, Jabari, Haya, Raman and Rocco S.

Redwood - Kavin, Amelia, Osama, Grace, Eesa, Bella, Aahil, Kayland, Baxter and Nyah-Lei.

Cedar—Ralph, Noor, Reign and Rachael.

Sycamore — Heda, Pari, Emmanuel, Shreya, Musa, Tina and Omar.

Pine — Mariam, Sophia, Rudra, Jasmine, Larrish, Isla, Regina and Saihaan.

Cherry—Ameen, Filip, Faris, Sakinah, Oscar, Jimmy and Elijah.

Maple—Abdullah, Sanchayan, Rakan, Nour, Prakriti, Alefiya, Laban, Carla and Darron.

Greenheart — Leo, Marwa, Tanisha, Shahad, Aamil, Oliwia, Nikodem, Esme, Oskar and Mathran.

Elm — Oliwia, Rawnaq, Alessia, Fadel, Alina, Ali M, Vishnu and Daniel.

Community

Earlsmead are a proud part of the South Harrow community and 'community' is one of our core values. As part of a community, we all have a responsibility to be respectful and courteous towards other members of that community.



Can all parents and carers please be considerate when dropping off and collecting their children from school. Parking on zig-zag lines and dropped curbs poses problems for our immediate neighbours. There have been several instances recently of local residents being unable to drive out from their driveway due to being blocked in. Please park in allocated spaces only during drop off times; your cooperation is most appreciated.



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World Book Day



What a fantastic World Book Day we had this year! A big thank you to all of the families, children and staff who all embraced dressing up as their favourite character. All of the amazing costumes were wonderful to look at and there was a great atmosphere around school. There were activities and competitions in lesson time, such as book making, writing book reviews or letters to their favourite author, designing alternative book covers and playing book-based games.



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Pi Day



We were all absolutely amazed by the success of our first ever Pi Day here at Earlsmead Primary School. Children from Year 1 through to Year 6 showed unbelievable determination and commitment to learn the digits of Pi. This enthusiasm really paid off as we had some outstanding competition results. Our KS1 winner was Sharbika from Cherry with an impressive 60 digits. In LK2, our winner was Sharvil from Ash with an incredible 102 digits. Finally, Shan from Sycamore in KS2 won with an astonishing 260 digits! Well done to everyone who entered the competition- you should be very proud of yourselves.



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Science Week

For Science week this year, the theme was *Connections*. The theme prompted children to look at the big and small connections between things in our lives. In Nursery, children looked at how we are connected to farmers, and even tasted some new vegetables! In Year 1 Redwood, they looked for the connections between force and weight by building freestanding bridges. In Y3/4 Manuka, they looked at the connections between each other's fingerprints, and in Y3 Ash they looked at the connections between yeast and sugar!



The children had a lot of fun and hopefully are now more aware of the every day *connections* around them.



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Learning gallery Nursery

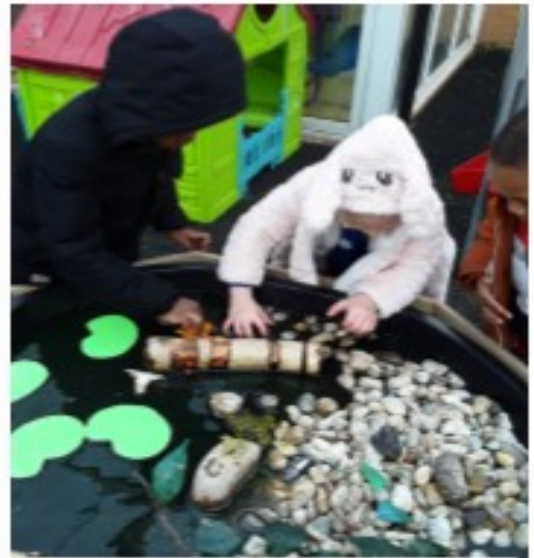
Watch Us Grow!



We have planted seeds and tried new vegetables.

We have built things.

We have found out that caterpillars grow into butterflies
and tadpoles grow into frogs.



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Learning gallery

Reception

When the children arrived at school one Monday morning, they were excited to find a large blue egg. They explored it using magnifying glasses and loved guessing what was inside the egg. To their surprise, the children found a baby T-Rex! This led to the children asking many intriguing questions to find out more about dinosaurs. Our recent reading this half-term has also been a range of fiction and non-fiction material all about dinosaurs.



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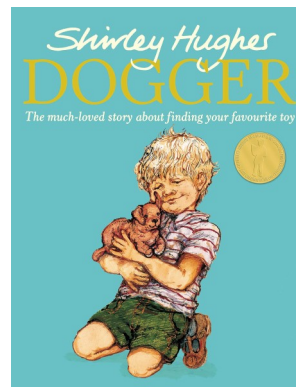


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Learning gallery

Year 1

Y1 have been very busy indeed! After thought-tracking to better understand the characters from their class text *Dogger*, they built towers using 3D shapes. They had a great time working collaboratively as well as learning lots along the way. As part of Children's Mental Health Day, the class also used a range of natural materials that they found outside to create their own face pictures. It was a lot of fun! This week, they are excited to be going on their first class trip to Alexandra park. They will be observing seasonal changes and looking at a different trees and plants.



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Learning gallery

Year 2

Year 2 and Saplings spent a whole day in RHS Wisely gardens. The children were able to explore the glasshouse, which houses many peculiar plants, including a banana tree, cacti and plants that grow upside down!

Children were also taught all about how plants grow and the life cycle they follow, and will be able to watch this happen by planting their very own seed to take home! They then went on a hunt to see if they could find all the different sections of a plant's life cycle: seed, bud, flower and fruit. A day to remember.



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Learning gallery

Year 3 & 4

Y3 Ash presented their learning on Ancient Egypt through their class assembly.

The children were confident in sharing what they have learnt so far in this topic. Did you know, King Tutankhamun died and was buried in a tomb when he was around the age of just 18.



Manuka have enjoyed this short but action-packed half-term. Science Week gave us opportunities to carry out some really interesting investigations including one about our own finger prints - did you know? No two finger prints are the same!



Meranti have been looking at the digestive system in Science. We looked at teeth and what happens to food after we've eaten it. Meranti have made 3D posters showcasing what they've learned.

What beautiful work in progress.



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Learning gallery

Year 5

The children explored Greek pottery and art by first researching Greek lifestyles, art and culture. After our research, we began designing a Greek pot. The children first sketched their ideas through observing real-life Greek pottery. Then they made their own scratch paper to reveal their pot design. They looked great and it was lots of fun! Then we got messy with clay and made a 3D Greek vase.



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Learning gallery

Year 6

Year 6 have been investigating the effects of liquid and solid soap in cleaning our hands. The class conducted their experiments using the two forms of soap to wash their hands, handled their slice of bread, which was then sealed. We still patiently await the results of our findings to see which bread is mouldier than the other. The bread with the least amount of mould suggests that form of soap is more effective at cleaning our hands. The wait continues...Additionally, Year 6 conducted an experiment to see how Mint Mentos react to Diet Coke. We witnessed an explosion on the grounds of Earlsmead!



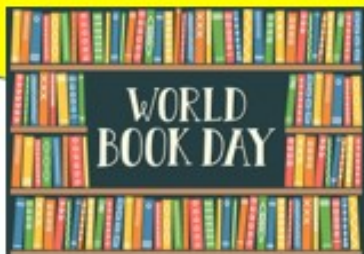
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Learning gallery Saplings 1

Saplings 1 had great fun on World Book Day. The children dressed up and enjoyed talking about their characters in circle time and answering 'wh' questions from their peers. They also became detectives and completed a book hunt in our school library.



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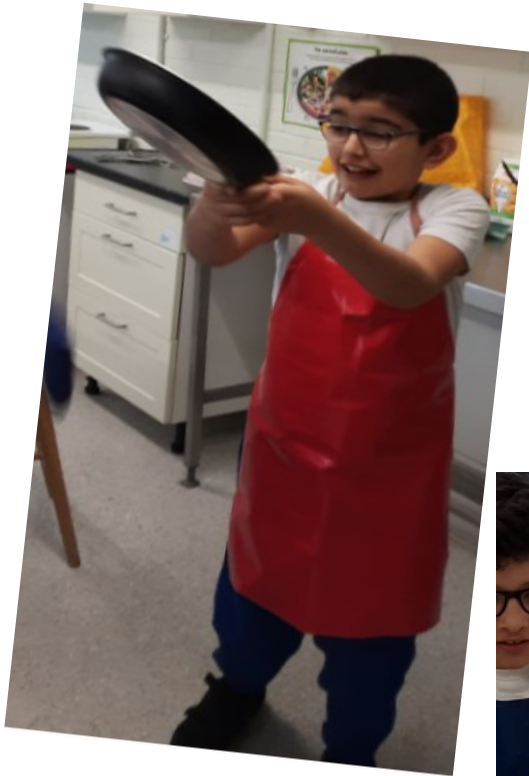
Learning gallery

Saplings 2

This half term, Saplings 2 had great fun making pancakes. The class took it in turns to go into the kitchen. As they were waiting for their turn, they drew their pancake designs and chose their delicious toppings.

All the children applied their reading skills to follow the recipe very carefully.

They also applied their maths skills when measuring the ingredients accurately. All the children had fun practising 'flipping' with a beanbag and a small frying pan. They even made one for Ms Graham who was very hungry!



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Sports News

The boys who played in the recent football tournament have made our school very proud. Although they did not win the tournament, they played great football and applied the skills they have learnt in after school clubs and PE lessons to good effect. Our year 6 classes were learning how to play rounders this half term. They took part in matches and now all have a better understanding of the rules. Finally this half term, We took part in a cross country finals race with the year 5 girls. Individually we had a second place and third place finish. As a team we came 2nd place overall. So proud of the girls!



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Wrap Around Care



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Monday – Friday
8.00 – 8.45am
£3.60 a morning
(Breakfast included)

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Monday - Friday
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WEALD RISE PRIMARY -
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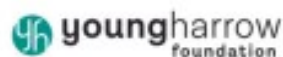


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Earlsmead Primary School Calendar

Summer Term 2022 – 2023

April 2023

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
3 EASTER BREAK	4 EASTER BREAK	5 EASTER BREAK	6 EASTER BREAK	7 EASTER BREAK
10 EASTER BREAK	11 EASTER BREAK	12 EASTER BREAK	13 EASTER BREAK	14 EASTER BREAK
17 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Curriculum Day – no pupils 	18 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pupils back. 	19	20	21 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Eid-al-Fitr Earth Day (22nd). Curriculum Newsletters out. Swimming: Manuka, Ash
24	25	26	27	28 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 5 Eid Assembly (21st/ 22nd). Swimming: Manuka, Ash

May 2023

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<div>1</div> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> May Bank Holiday 	<div>2</div> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> KS1 SATs administration month. Mental Health Awareness Month. 	<div>3</div> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Class Photos – correct school uniform please! 	<div>4</div>	<div>5</div> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Swimming: Manuka, Ash
<div>8</div> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> King's Coronation 	<div>9</div> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> KS2 SATs week. 	<div>10</div>	<div>11</div>	<div>12</div> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Swimming: Manuka, Ash King's Coronation events.
<div>15</div> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mental Health Awareness Week 10th – 16th May. PGL Trip: Surrey Merchant's Hill 	<div>16</div> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> PGL Trip 	<div>17</div> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> PGL Trip 	<div>18</div> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> SATs absences 	<div>19</div> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> SATs absences Swimming: Manuka, Ash
<div>22</div>	<div>23</div> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Careers Day: TBC 	<div>24</div>	<div>25</div>	<div>26</div> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Swimming: Manuka, Ash
<div>29</div> <p>HALF-TERM</p>	<div>30</div> <p>HALF-TERM</p>	<div>31</div> <p>HALF-TERM</p>		

June 2023

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
			1	2
			HALF-TERM	HALF-TERM
5	6	7	8	9
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pupils Back MTC (Yr 4) opens – 3 weeks. Child Safety Week (3rd). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Y6 <u>Kidzania</u> Trip 			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Swimming: Manuka, Meranti Curriculum Newsletters out. Local Charity: London Air Ambulance TBC
12	13	14	15	16
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Phonics Screening Check week. Sports Week. KS1 Sports Day (9:15-11:30) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Y6 vs Teachers Football & Netball Nursery Sports Day (11:00-12:00) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> KS2 Sports Day (9:15-12:30) 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Swimming: Manuka, Meranti
19	20	21	22	23
				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Swimming: Manuka, Meranti
26	27	28	29	30
	Y4 Meranti trip: Natural History Museum.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Eid al-<u>Adha</u> begins. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Swimming: Manuka, Meranti

July 2023

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
3	4	5 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Moving Up Day (TBC). 	6	7 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Summer Fair/Family Picnic Swimming: Manuka, Meranti
10	11	12 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 6 Production. 	13 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Parent Reports sent home. 	14 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Parent Consultation Meetings (Reports). TBA by teachers. Swimming: Manuka, Meranti
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24 SUMMER BREAK	25 SUMMER BREAK	26 SUMMER BREAK	27 SUMMER BREAK	28 SUMMER BREAK
31 SUMMER BREAK				