



Earlsmead's News



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October 2024

Diary Dates

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Tuesday 22nd—Y5 trip to Eastcote High Street.

Wednesday 23rd—Black History Month Exhibition for parents at 3.00pm

Thursday 24th—Year 3 Diwali assembly at 10.00am. **All parents are welcome**

Thursday 24th - School closes at 3.15pm

November 2024

Monday 4th - School re-opens at 8.45am

Friday 8th - Year 5 assembly at 10.00am. **All parents are welcome**

Friday 15th - Safeguarding Assembly—Ms Stangroom (DSL)

Monday 18th—Year 6 RAF Hendon trip

Wednesday 20th—Road Safety Workshop—Y5 & Y6

Friday 22nd—Year 6 assembly at 10.00am. **All parents are welcome**

Friday 29th - British Values assembly—Ms Peshawaria

27th - Flu immunisations

December 2024

Friday 6th—Saplings Assembly at 10.00am. **All parents are welcome**

Monday 9th - Dressing the Tree assembly

Tuesday 17th—Children Christmas Parties

Wednesday 18th - Christmas Fair & Christmas Jumper Day

Friday 13th - Reception Nativity

Friday 20th - School closes at 1.30pm

See our website calendar for more dates!

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to our Autumn 1 Newsletter. As always, the first half term has been exceptionally busy and has flown by!

First, let me extend a warm welcome to the families who have joined us over this half term both in nursery, reception and throughout the school. I know you will find Earlsmead a warm, welcoming and cooperative place so please do reach out to staff and other parents should you have any questions.

We value leadership development at all levels at Earlsmead Primary. I would like to extend my congratulations to the Head Pupils, Prefects and School Council Representatives who were elected this half term. Those of you who were with us during Tuesday's Assembly will agree that we have some incredibly strong public speakers this year.

We would like to congratulate all the children that have been chosen to become a prefect at Earlsmead. A big congratulations to the Head Pupils Pankti and David.

You have all shown fantastic leadership and demonstrated the qualities it takes to be a great leader. Remember all of you have the potential to be great leader.

Some of the key qualities that make a wonderful leader are:

Kindness – showing kindness, making others feel good, helping someone else who may be having a hard time or as simple as smiling which can go a long way.

Responsibility – leaders take charge and do what's right even when no one is watching. Like helping to tidy up after a lesson or a club, finishing your take or completing your homework with being asked.

Courage – being brave enough to stand up for what is right. If you see someone being treated unfairly, a great leader steps in and helps even if it's tough.

Honesty – is one of the most important qualities, always tell the truth and be someone others can rely on. When you're honest, others can trust you.

Teamwork – this is essential, great leaders listen to others, share ideas and work together. When you play a sport or work on a project, everyone's ideas matter.

Remember being a leader isn't about being the loudest or the bossiest, it's about setting a good example, being a fantastic role model and encouraging others to do their best.

Every one of you can be a leader in your own way, every single day!!

So let's try and be the best leaders we can be, in our classrooms, on the playground and everywhere we go!!

Next half term looks to be just as busy and exciting!

I hope you all have a wonderful, safe holiday break and we look forward to seeing you all back for another busy term on Monday 4th November at 8.45am, with all children wearing the correct uniform, including ties!

Ms Peshawaria
Assistant Headteacher

Remembrance 2024

Autumn Half term project



Nursery, Reception and Year 1

Your task:

To create your own memory box with memories from the past.

In this box you could include:

- Baby toys or clothes
- Photos from when you were little or a baby.
- A timeline of pictures or objects.
- School memories or any learning you have created.
- Or anything that represented you in the past.



Remember to decorate your box showing some of the things you like.
Don't forget to add your name to the front of the box!

Year 2, Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6

Your task:

To research and present what you know about remembrance.

Some questions for you to think about and include in your projects are:

1. What is remembrance?
2. Why is it important?
3. How do we mark this day in the UK?
4. Why do we hold a silence?
5. What do poppies represent?

You can create one of the following:

- A 2D or 3D poster.
- A power point presentation.
- A video presentation.

You can be as creative as you like.

You may also choose to include extra information in your projects as well.



Useful websites and other resources:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround/15492752>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/articles/zvq4xyc#zp8jh4j>

<https://www.britishlegion.org.uk/get-involved/remembrance/about-remembrance>

Projects due in: Monday 4th November 2024

Earlsmead Junior Leaders

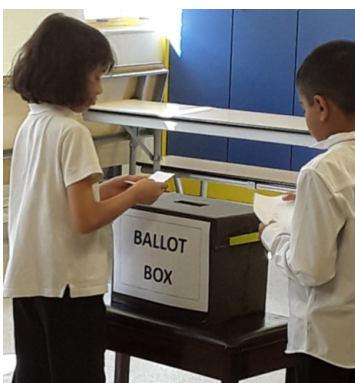


Congratulations to Pankti and David who were awarded Head Pupils.

Lucy, Zara, Nour, Elisa and Isabella are now Prefects following a rigorous process of writing an application letter, having an interview and giving a speech.



Last week was Election Week at Earlsmead. School council hopefuls had to write a manifesto and present it to their class. Each class then came to the polling station complete with polling booths and a ballot box to vote for their chosen candidate.



School Councillors

Rocco S, Ruman, Sadiq, Naya, Aleifya, Theo, Eesa, Anthony.

Deputy Councillors



Attendance



Our attendance target is **96%**. We must make every effort to ensure that all children are in school everyday unless they are ill.

Class registers open at **8.45am** so children can participate in PARCS activities. Registers close at **8.55am** and any children arriving after this time will be marked as late.

Class	Attendance %	Class	Attendance %
Oaks	87.5%	Chestnuts	88.5%
Cedar	94.5%	Redwood	95.4%
Maple	92.9%	Cherry	93.9%
Ash	92.9%	Manuka	93.6%
Meranti	94.6%	Eucalyptus	94.1%
Pine	96.7%	Sycamore	97.2%
Elm	92.7%	Greenheart	96.1%

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 with school logo</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>



Achievements



Congratulations to the following children who received awards for positive behaviour for learning this half-term! These children should feel extra special.



Redwood:

Ameer, Iniya



Cherry:

Darius, Ching,
Abisha, Nour



Ash:

Nihan, Amelia,
Alex, Jeel, Osama,
Anhelina

Cedar:

Hayden, Yug,
Kira, Ivan, Melissa,
Tiyana, Nikolay,
Okba, Vidhan,
Orance

Maple:

Mieszko,

Manuka:

Rachael, Zahra



Eucalyptus:

Kavin, Dhyani



Pine:

Aisha, Raiyan,
Sadiq, Andreea,
Aayan



Greenheart:

Rocco S, Isabella,
Lena, David,
Zainab, Sadan,
Mehira

Meranti:

Victoria, Theo

Sycamore:

Isla, Sami

Elm:

Carsen, Ralph,
Elisa, Lucy, Rejan,
Haleema, Ruman,
Sathvigan, Aryoub,
Reiam,



CHILDREN WHO ARE DUE TO START

NURSERY / PRIMARY / SECONDARY SCHOOL IN SEPTEMBER 2025

Nursery CHILDREN BORN BETWEEN 1 SEPTEMBER 2021 AND 31 AUGUST 2022	Primary School CHILDREN BORN BETWEEN 1 SEPTEMBER 2020 AND 31 AUGUST 2021	Secondary School CHILDREN BORN BETWEEN 1 SEPTEMBER 2013 AND 31 AUGUST 2014 (In year 6)
Please apply online at www.eadmissions.org.uk You still need to apply even if you are at Earlsmead Nursery CLOSING DATE FOR APPLICATIONS IS 15 JANUARY 2025	Please apply online at www.eadmissions.org.uk CLOSING DATE FOR APPLICATIONS IS 15 JANUARY 2025	Please apply online at www.eadmissions.org.uk CLOSING DATE FOR APPLICATIONS IS 31 OCTOBER 2024
<p>APPLYING ONLINE. IS EASY AND YOU GET AN INSTANT ACKNOWLEDGEMENT THAT YOUR APPLICATION HAS BEEN RECEIVED. YOU WILL ALSO RECEIVE AN EMAIL WITH THE OUTCOME OF YOUR APPLICATION ON OFFER DAY.</p> <p>For details go to www.harrow.gov.uk/schooladmissions</p> <p>For help and advice on how to complete your application please email schooladmissions@harrow.gov.uk</p>		



NO PARKING OUTSIDE THE SCHOOL GATES

No vehicles are permitted to park on zig zag lines. No vehicles should park on a zig zag or even stop to let passengers out, whilst restrictions are in force.

No vehicles are allowed to park in or across private driveways. Staff and residents are within their rights to photograph vehicles/take details and report to the appropriate body. <https://www.harrow.gov.uk/parking-permits/report-illegal-parking>

please also refrain from sitting on our neighbours' fences or littering in their space. This is antagonistic behaviour and is poor role modelling for our children.

In a community such as ours, it is important that we all show courtesy and respect towards each other. Please help me to keep our community as a happy place as this is what will most benefit our children.





Nursery are busy settling in and making friends



Elm Class— Behaviours of learning



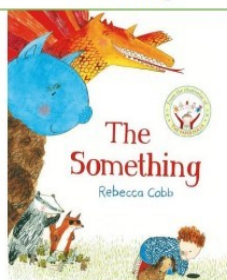
Elm Class – Newspaper Activities



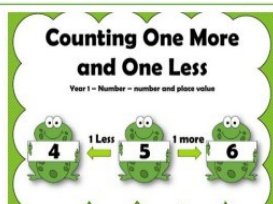
Reception Class – Learning of the week

Week Beginning- 07.10.24

Book of the week-The
Something



Maths focus this week- 1 more, 1
less



Pictures of the week!



ROCKSTEADY

On the 3rd October, children were well prepared for Rocksteady to attend as they all dressed as rockstars. They explored instruments such as guitar, bass, keyboard and drums with Jamie. Every single child sung along and clapped to popular songs such as 'We Will Rock You' by Queen. After the October half term, some children will get a chance to form their own band with a member of Rocksteady coming in weekly. Stay tuned! Earlsmead has some rockstars!



Year 3 Ash Class



What an exciting Autumn term we are having so far in Ash class! In geography we have used atlases and maps to locate the longest rivers in the world and found out interesting facts about rivers, including our local river, the River Pinn. In music, Mr Delroy has been teaching us to sing, move in time to music and to play the recorder. We are doing a great job of playing along to a tune. For this year's whole school book week, we began by being detectives around the school to see what we could find out about the book 'The Street Beneath Our Feet'. We found out that the book is all about what is below the ground. We found human and animal skeletons, a sewer, an underground train, a train and animals that burrow underground. We can't wait to read the book in class.



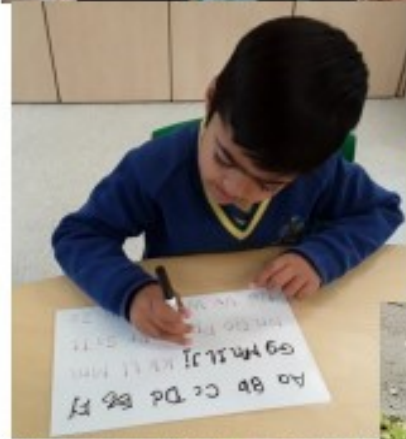
Saplings 1 Class



Saplings 1 have been working on our class team values, routines and getting to know one another.



We have also been working on our writing, reading and maths.



The children really enjoyed digging in soil looking for creatures that could be found down a hole.

Black History Month

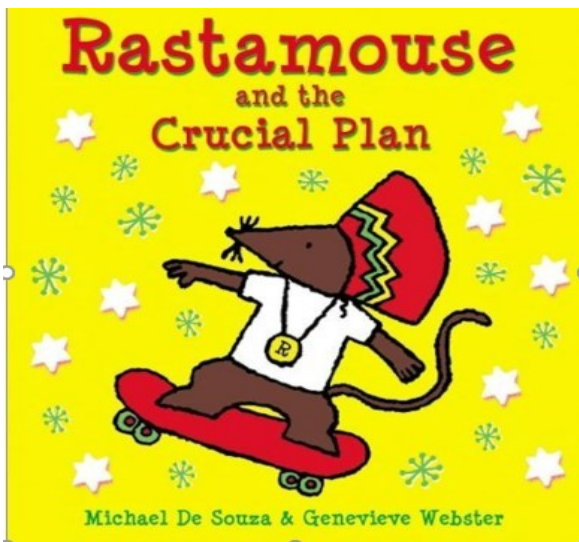
Black History Month at Earlsmead

On the 14th October we started our week by celebrating Black History Month by having an author come to visit our school and share his story.

Michael De Souza kicked off the day by presenting a great assembly focusing on poetry and rhyming. He spoke to us about some of the books he has written (Rastamouse) and how he as an author gathers the ideas for his stories.

Michael De Souza also carried out some fantastic workshops focusing on poetry and building up to the children creating their own rhyming poems.

Take a look at some of the photos that we captured throughout the day.



Earlsmead Primary School has a wonderful Nursery.

Please see information below on Come and Play

EARLSMEAD PRIMARY SCHOOL

ARUNDEL DRIVE, SOUTH HARROW, 020 8864 5546



COME AND PLAY



"We are so pleased with our daughter's progress and development at nursery. She is learning so much and wants to go in every day including during holidays!"

"I always feel 100% confident my son will be well looked after. The teachers and staff have been wonderful, supportive and caring and I could not have asked for more."

If your child is 3 between Sep 1st 2024 and Aug 31st 2025, bring them to come and play.

Phone to book a place.

Thursday 14th November Thursday 21st November
2.00 - 3.00pm

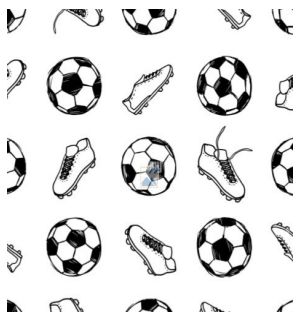
**Apply for your nursery place by 15th January 2025 at
<https://www.harrow.gov.uk/schoolnursery>**

Earlsmead Sports Page

Well done to all the children who took part in the year 5 & 6 football matches against Newton Farm Primary School. The boys drew 4-4 and the girls won their match! An outstanding result of 10-1!

We are very proud of you all!

What a great start to the season!



Packed Lunches

Earlsmead are working towards our Silver and Gold Healthy Schools Award.

As part of this we are working on dental and physical health.

Healthy



Unhealthy



For more information go to

Drinks are really important. They should be water, milk or a small amount of fruit juice. No fizzy drinks or squash as they have too much sugar in them.



Please **DO NOT** pack any fizzy drinks, chocolate or crisps as they are ok for treat foods but not a healthy packed lunch.

DO NOT pack any foods containing nuts.



Please remember for the **safety** of the children, we are a **nut free** school. Lunches should not include any food containing nuts eg. biscuits, cakes, or chocolate spreads like Nutella as many contain nuts.



LATENESS AND ATTENDANCE MATTERS!

EVERY DAY COUNTS!

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.

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



What to do if your child is late for school.

OUR LEARNING BEGINS AT 8.45am

All children need to be in the classrooms at this time.

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 8.45am. 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.

At Earlsmead we monitor children who are late to school and the frequency this occurs. In cases where a child persistently arrives at school after the register is closed and has received 8 Unauthorised Late Marks within a period of 10 weeks in term time, an Educational Penalty Notice (EPN) from the London Borough of Harrow will be issued.

SHOULD MY CHILD COME TO SCHOOL?

Headache, Ear ache and Stomach ache?

Children can still go to school, just let the staff know that they feel poorly. If symptoms persist, seek medical advice.

Should my Child go to School Today?

Every Day Counts!



Tonsillitis and Glandular Fever?

You should seek medical advice and children can return to school when they feel well enough.

Temperature?

Children with a temperature over 37.5°C, should be kept at home. If symptoms persist – seek medical advice.

Coughs, Sore Throats and Colds?

Children can still come to school, if they feel well enough. If your child is Asthmatic, they may need their blue inhaler more often.

Head Lice?

Children can go to school with Head Lice, but they **MUST** be treated. To prevent further spread, parents/carers should treat their child, by wet combing with a nit comb. Pharmacies sell special treatments for this.

Diarrhoea and Vomiting?

Children can return to school 48 hours after the last episode of diarrhoea or vomiting.
Children cannot go swimming for 2 weeks after last episode of diarrhoea.

Conjunctivitis?

After starting medical treatment, children can return to school. They should be encouraged to wash their hands to prevent further spread of infection.

Chicken Pox?

Children can return to school after the last blister has burst and dried up. Please let the school know if your child has been diagnosed by the doctor, as pregnant members of staff and children with medical conditions can be affected.

Flu?

Children can attend school when they are well enough. Unless they have a temperature more than 37.5°C, then they should stay at home. The flu usually lasts about 5 days.

Measles and Rubella?

Children can return to school 7 days after the onset of their rash. Please let the school know if your child has been diagnosed by the doctor, as pregnant members of staff can be affected.

Impetigo?

Impetigo is contagious, but usually serious. Children can return back to school once they are well enough and the lesions are dry, crusted and healed. It often gets better 7-10 days if you get treatment from the GP.

Threadworm?

Children can attend school when they have started their treatment. Washing hands are encouraged to prevent further spread.

Hand, Foot and Mouth Disease?

Hand, foot and mouth disease is easily passed to others. It is spread through, coughing, sneezing and fluids from blisters. Keep children off school, while they are feeling poorly. You don't have to wait for the blisters to heal, unlike chicken pox.

Scabies?

Children can return to school 24 hours after the first treatment. Others at home should be treated as well. Itching can last for a few weeks.

Mumps?

Children should avoid school for at least 5 days, after symptoms first develop. Seek medical advice.

Ringworm?

Children can attend school, once they have started treatment. Let the class teacher know that your child has Ringworm.

Whooping Cough?

Children can return to school after 48 hours of starting antibiotics. Non-infectious coughing may continue for many weeks.

Slap cheek?

Children can return to school when the rash appears. Let the class teacher know if your child has slap cheek.

Scarlet Fever?

Children can return to school 24 hours after starting antibiotics. If no treatment is given, they can be infectious for 2-3 weeks.