



Earlsmead's News

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December 2025

Diary dates

January 2025

Monday 6th & Tuesday 7th
– INSET DAYS

Wednesday 8th– Pupils
back 8.45am

Thursday 9th—Yr 5 & 6
Netball League Games at
Pinner Wood School

Friday 10th – Y3 Swimming
starts

Monday 13th - Y1 Toy
Workshop

Thursday 23rd - Yr 5 & 6
Boys Football League at
Roxbourne School

Friday 24th - Yr 5 Tower of
London Trip

February 2025

Tuesday 4th—Whole
School Photo

Thursday 6th—Yr 4 Pede-
strian Training

Monday 17th – Friday 21st
Half Term

Monday 24th—Pupils back
8.45am

Tuesday 25th Feb—3rd
March Book Fair Week

March 2025

Friday 7th— Yr 5 London
Sea life Trip

Thursday 6th— World Book
Day

*See our website calendar
for more dates!*

Dear Parents and Carers,

This has been the longest Autumn term in living memory, racking up a huge 15 weeks!! Both the staff and the children are most certainly ready for a well-deserved break. Thank you all for your support over this term.

Please over the holiday period, do continue daily home reading with your children. You would be surprised how quickly children can regress if daily practise is not kept up. Remember, there are also lots of lovely learning websites on the Earlsmead website (Pupil Zone—Online Learning Platforms):

[Earlsmead Primary School - Online Learning Platforms](#)

We are continuing to work on improving a few things across the school as we move into Spring Term, including:

- Behaviour and sportsmanship on the football pitch.
- Correct uniform worn by every child, including the tie.
- Improving punctuality and attendance.

You can help us by talking to your children about these things at home. It is vitally important that School and families always work together.

Autumn has been a very successful term. We have welcomed:

- 132 parents to Parent-Teacher information sessions in Autumn 1.
- 86 parents into our English Open Mornings in October.
- 50 parents attending our Reading workshops.

That's 268 parent visitors in one term! We have another Open Session coming up in Spring for Maths. I do hope many of you can come along.

Our homework project – a poster or 3D representation around the theme of '**What Makes Earlsmead Special**' is due after the holidays. These will be on display in the foyer AND the meeting room so please do your best!

The festive period can be a difficult time for some of us. If you need support during this time please always reach out.

Mind: 0300 123 3393 **Samaritans:** 116 123 **Childline:** 0800 1111

If you have a safeguarding concern, please phone:

Golden Number: 020 8901 2690 Out of Hours: 020 8424 0999

Have a wonderful and safe holiday period. We look forward to welcoming the children back on **Wednesday, 8th January 2025 at 8.45am.**

Ms Graham
Headteacher



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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.

Please try to have children in classrooms by **8.45am** so they can participate in Soft Start activities.

Class	Attendance %	Class	Attendance %
Oaks	89.1%	Chestnuts	91.0%
Cedar	95.7%	Redwood	93.1%
Maple	94.4%	Cherry	90.6%
Ash	92.7%	Manuka	95.2%
Meranti	95.0%	Eucalyptus	95.4%
Pine	95.9%	Sycamore	97.0%
Elm	93.2%	Greenheart	95.7%

Uniform

Reminder: Please ensure that the correct uniform is worn.

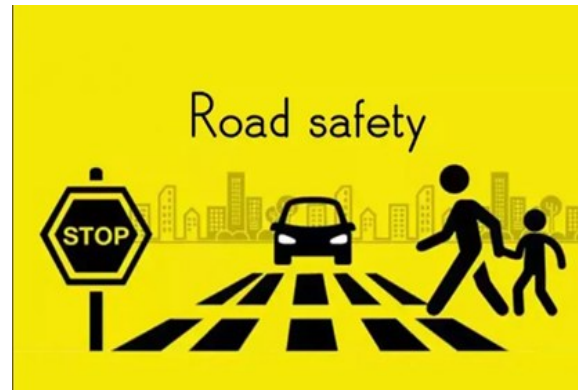
Nursery	Reception to Year 6
<p>Royal blue tracksuit bottoms.</p> <p>Gold polo shirts.</p> <p>Royal blue shorts in the summer.</p> <p>Blue, gold, white or grey head scarves.</p> <p>Comfortable flat shoes or trainers.</p>	<p>Black trousers, tartan skirts.</p> <p>White cotton shirts.</p> <p>Earlsmead tie with collared shirt.</p> <p>Royal blue jumpers or cardigans.</p> <p>Blue or 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>



"THE INCIDENT AT STATION ROAD"

In November Year 5 & 6 took part in a Road Safety Workshop. This workshop raised awareness of:

- Distractions from phones, music, friends and peer pressure.
- The emotional and physical consequences of poor road safety.
- The importance of using crossings correctly and understanding road-side danger.



Year 5 & 6 examined an incident scene in which a young person had been hit by a car whilst using a zebra crossing. Utilising live drama, multimedia and an interactive set the children listened to witness statements, looked for clues and questioned key characters to find out what happened and who was to blame.



Achievements



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



These children should feel extra special

Redwood:

Keshara
Hanvika
Nitya
Abdullah
Mantra
Deepen



Cedar:

Shriyanshi
Paalvit
Samin
Malek
Melissa
Tiyan

Cherry:

Asia-Rae
Sufyan
Lovepreet
Hiba
Isaac
Rudra
Ching
Tiffany



Maple:

Abdul
Siyujan
Mieszko
Navya

Ash:

Sofia
Alex
Miriam
Eesa
Nel
Marwa
Aarav
Abdulrazaq
Rihan
Kabisa



Manuka:

Nitya
Subhan
Yusuf
Duaa
Noor
Natalia
Osinachi

Eucalyptus:

Albert
Yagna
Ali
Kavin
Sakinah
Sufyan
Izabela



Meranti:

Norah Tahib
Ameen Alia
Elisabeta Raken
Nixon Carla
Shabika
Suraya

Pine:

Alaa Elddin
Cataleia
Bushra
Jayden
Adam
Grace
Fatima



Sycamore:

Nour Isla
Naya Sami
Maryam Het
Chukwudi
Nicholas

Elm:

Pankti
Rejan
Jaffar
Rimas
Hassan
Noor
Teddy



Greenheart:

Tokio Ved
Akshaya Jabari
Lillian Anays
Nectarie Hetansh
David Rocco P
Isabella Diya
Lena Arfan



Earlsmead Sports Page



The children had an amazing day when the GB athlete Saffron Severn came to Earlsmead! Lots of exercise was done and an inspirational assembly by the athlete. A massive thank you for those of you that raised money for the sponsorship!















Even though we did not get the results we wanted, the boy's and girl's football teams played really well and had a great time! We are proud of their performances so far.






Fit4Life Harrow Charter

Here at Earlsmead Primary School, we believe that the health and well-being of the children is paramount. We pledge to ensure that your children will have access to all of the statements in the charter. We ask that you and your families make the same pledge so your children can be happy and healthy whether they are at school or at home!

Fit4Life Harrow Charter

Primary School Charter Schools pledge to:			Family Charter Families pledge to:		
 Include health and fitness at the centre of our curriculum	 Provide healthy food across the school day	 Ensure all packed lunches are healthy	 Reduce the amount of sugary foods and drinks	 Provide healthy snacks at the end of the school day	 Exercise with children outside of school for at least 30 mins a day (Active 30:30)
 Complete the school's part of Active 30:30 (an extra 30 minutes of exercise a day)	 Achieve the Healthy Schools London Award	 Ensure that interventions are in place to support pupil mental health and wellbeing	 Sign-up and regularly attend an NHS Dentist and ensure children brush teeth at least twice a day	 Ensure children are up to date with vaccinations	 Talk each day to children about how they are feeling and how their day went

Holiday Homework Project: What Makes Earlsmead Special?

Save your spare paper and boxes over Christmas, as we'd like the children to make a special home learning project. It can be either a diorama OR a poster to explain what is so special about our school. We last did this project back in 2022 and the children did an AMAZING job.

We will be putting some of these homework submissions on display in the foyer and in the meeting room ready for Ofsted to see when they next visit us.

You could base your box around anything YOU believe is special at our school, but here are some ideas:

- * Staff that care.
- * Whole School Book Week.
- * Extra PE lessons.
- * New ICT suite.
- * We are a family.
- * Kindness.
- * Displays.
- * Our assemblies.
- * Trips and Clubs.
- * Phonics.
- * Prefects.
- * Athlete visits.
- * Competitions.
- * Behaviour.
- * Buddy Reading.

These are just some ideas! I can't wait to see what you come up with in your Poster or Diorama box.

Ms Graham

Saplings 1 and 2 Class Assembly



Saplings performed an amazing assembly.
Can you guess what the theme was?



We wish you all a very merry Christmas!

Year 4 RE Trip to St. Andrew's Church



The children found this trip very exciting,
learning about The Nativity.



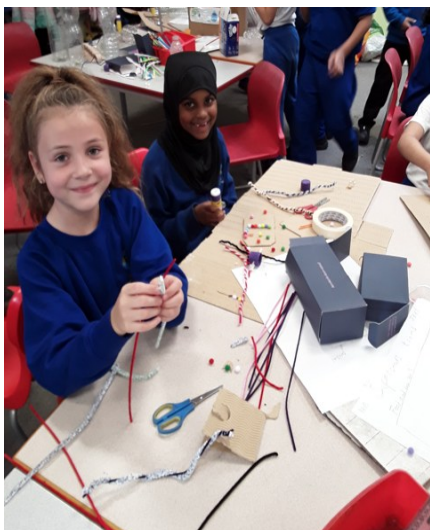
The Lion's Roar Project 2024

The Lion's Roar Project encourages children to think big and positively change the world.

Year 3 and 4 had to design something to solve a problem the world is facing. They worked very hard on their prototypes, jingles and presentations.

Each class chose a winner who then presented to our guests from the local Lions charity. They chose the school winner who then made a video.

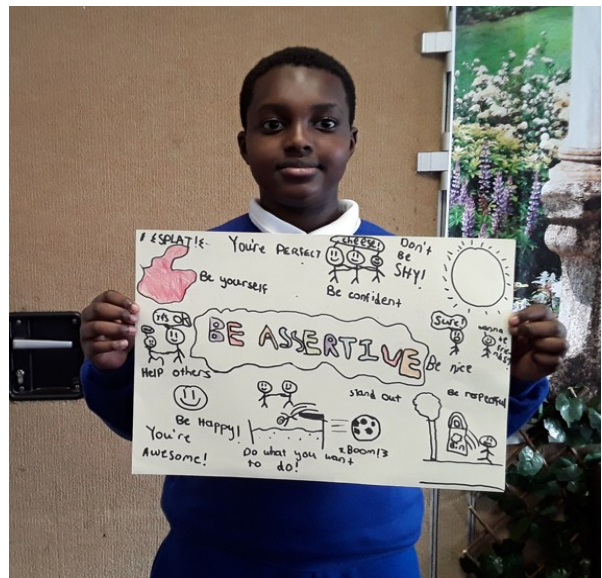
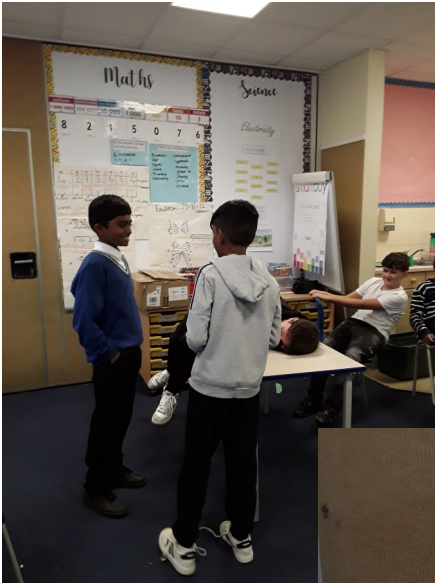
Victoria, Carla, Sara and Elisabeta were one of only 8 finalists in the UK after winning our local area.





PERSONAL SOCIAL HEALTH EDUCATION

In PSHE lessons Year 6 have been looking at demonstrating assertive behaviours, through role-play, to resist peer influence and pressure. We have also created posters to reflect this.



Dressing the Tree Assembly





CHRISTMAS FAIR



A huge 'Thank You' to everyone who made donations to our 2024 Christmas Fair. The hall was transformed into a magical Christmas Winter Wonderland full of awe and wonder. The children bought fabulous gifts and treats for themselves. We made a profit of £1,157, which will be used to purchase items for the school and children to use. What a perfect way to end the Autumn term!





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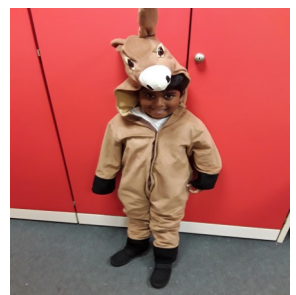


CHRISTMAS FAIR





Nativity Assembly



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.

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!



What to do if your child is late for school.

OUR SCHOOL DAY BEGINS AT 8.45am. Gate opens at 8.40am.

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

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 (8:55am) 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.

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

<https://www.nhs.uk/healthier-families/recipes/healthier-lunchboxes/>

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.



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
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. For details go to www.harrow.gov.uk/schooladmissions For help and advice on how to complete your application please email schooladmissions@harrow.gov.uk		



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.

