



HILLINGDON NEWS

It has been a lovely end to our first half term at HPS. In Monday's whole school assembly we took time to think about those who are less fortunate than us, as part of the International Day of the Eradication of Poverty. Our choir wowed us with their rendition of 'Lean On Me' and we thought about the power of the lyrics and how important it is to be friendly to one another. We ended the week with our Harvest celebration, we must say a huge THANK YOU once again to all who contributed. Our assembly focused on the key message of "you reap, what you sow" and we created a kindness boomerang, showing how a small act of kindness can then inspire someone else to do the same. We are all incredibly thankful for such a positive start to the year and wish you all a wonderful half term break.

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Out and About Super Science

Some lucky children in Year 3 and Year 4 were selected to take part in a Science Day event at Colham Manor Primary School. Over the course of the day they got learn more about animals and insects from across the world. The children represented the school excellently and were keen to report back about their day!



"First, before we went to the carpet and saw some photos on the board, we looked at the items on the table. I saw a real crocodile face (other than the eyes) which was very fragile.

After that we went to the carpet and saw some insects like a cockroach, everybody got to touch its back! Then we touched a centipede with 250 legs in a circle shape around its body.

After we ate, we saw the rest of the animals like tarantulas, snakes and different species of insects. We also saw a big long anaconda skin which we all got to hold!

It was a fantastic day out!"

By Younes- Year 4:

Inspiring Music at the Primary Proms

Kira in 4F couldn't wait to tell us about the recent trip Year 4 went on:

"Last Wednesday, Year 4 were lucky enough to go on an amazing school trip to the Royal Albert Hall. We had a very long drive on the coach then we ate our lunch before we went inside.

It was as big as a mansion! Of course, we looked around and finally we found our seats. I was so amazed but also sad because some other schools were able to sit in the seats at the top. Then the show was about to start. Our lovely host Rachel Leach told us all the facts about

the bands. Firstly, we say the CYM Dance Band. They were amazing. Next, we say the City Academy Hackney Choir and a fabulous solo singer called Danny. Once they were finished, we watched the Turtle Steel Band who were moving to lots of different drums. They were definitely the best band! I hope that we get to go again! I would really recommend it to you."



Attendance:

This week we are celebrating our weekly attendance and half-termly attendance. A huge well done to all of our children who have made it into school, on time, every day this term.



17th-21st October Winners:

KS1	KS2
2A 98.33%	3D 99.05%
1M 96.67%	6O 98.3%
1K 96.67%	

Half-term Winners:

KS1	KS2
1E 96.92%	5T 97.62%
2A 96.87%	3D 97.55%

Student Reflection

"What a wonderful first term back! As I'm writing this, I'm thinking of all of the good things that have happened this term-sports wins for the football team and the cross country team to name a few so far, year 6's trip to Beam house-Devon where we took part in lots of breath taking activities and fantasy week where we got to act out brilliant stories, and write some of our own. We have covered lots about harvest too-singing harvest festival songs and donating food to the local food bank. The first term was such a blast-lets hope the next one will be a good one too. See you there!"

By Charlee-6O

Look what we've been up to:

Reception - They have been taking part in afternoon sessions based around the topic "All About Me". The children have been drawing around their friends using chalk; water and brushes and have created drawings based around their likes and dislikes.



Year 1 have been rounding off their topic of 'The story of my life'. They began looking at portraits by Pablo Picasso and talked about the different styles he used in his art work. They then planned, drew and painted their own self-portrait; thinking carefully about where to place their features and mixing colours to create a range of skin tones. They look beautiful!



Year 3 - In literacy this week the children thoroughly enjoyed writing poems about road safety. It was brilliant to see them use features such as rhyming words, alliteration and onomatopoeia in their poems! They also discussed and understood the importance of staying safe on the roads.

The children have continued to enjoy learning about the Stone Age this week. Using their DT and art skills they were able to design some fabulous Stonehenge sculptures!



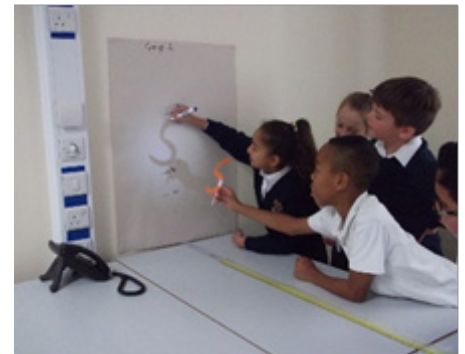
Year 5 - This week has been a fantastic week, where we have been exploring the Highwayman poem. Throughout the week the children were left on different cliffhangers; who is the highwayman? What is his relationship with Bess? What would happen to Bess? Why was Tim the Ostler interested in the highwayman and ultimately - how is it going to end?

As a result, we explored the poem in more depth and looked at the language the poet, Alfred Noyes, used. Year 5 then acted out different scenes from the poem to grasp the different characters' personalities. Throughout the rest of the week, year 5 found out more about the Aztecs. This week we were learning particularly about how society was structured. It was fascinating to learn how all Aztec boys would have learnt how to be warriors as part of their school subjects! We also learnt more

about the Aztecs through a special presentation performed by Kaaya, Asveni and George. We particularly enjoyed learning about how the Aztecs would make human sacrifices to please the gods!



Year 6 - have had fun in science lessons this week. They have been learning all about light and on Monday they carried out an investigation to discover what happened to the height of a shadow as an object was moved away from a light source. They had to plan their investigation carefully, considering how to make the test fair, and carry out the practical task under controlled conditions. They presented their data using tables and line graphs and analysed their results. Be sure to ask them what they discovered!



Sporting Success Netballers Victorious

We could not be prouder of our fabulous netballers who won 15-0 against Whitehall this week. It was wonderful to see them putting into action all they learnt in the previous week. Fantastic team work-well done!



In the Community



**Children's Special
with
'Rhythmicity'**

*Children 5-11 'Make the rhythm'
Dads/Mums 'Feel the beat'*

*No experience or
booking required*

**Friday 28 Oct
4-6pm
St. John's Church
Royal Lane, Hillingdon
Free entry!**

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