



# HILLINGDON NEWS

Well it's certainly been a sizzling start to the Summer Term! With temperatures reaching 34° on Thursday, one of our main aims was to try and keep cool. The older children were certainly envious of our Reception classes, playing outside with their water activities and games!

We hosted our first Sports Days of the term on Monday- our Nursery children were absolutely fantastic.

They didn't let the heat deter them and were happily moving around the stations like Olympic professionals!

Our fabulous Year 2 children wowed audiences with their show 'Pirates and Mermaids', on Wednesday and Thursday.

It's been a busy week for the PE department, who have been preparing children for the Tag Rugby Tournament (on Monday) and the Rounders Tournament (on Wednesday). On Monday, we took 10 children down to the Beck Theatre for the SSHNA Olympic and Paralympic Ceremony- a hugely positive event celebrating the far-reaching benefit of sport.

We were also lucky enough to have the drama company- PERFORM- come and visit us on Friday; they hosted some exciting and engaging workshops.

This week we have continued to think about the theme of Peace and Unity, coming together to complete the minute's silence in memory of those affected by the Grenfell Fire.

We hope lots of you will be getting involved with the 'Great Elliot Bake Off' next week in order to raise lots of money- we can't wait to see the final designs!

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### Attendance STARS

School attendance is critical for success and we would like to congratulate all of those children who have managed 100% attendance during this half term. We recognise that it can be hard during the winter months with various coughs and colds, but would like to reiterate the importance of maintaining good attendance. The more children are in school, the more they learn and the more likely they are to do well.

Attendance figures for this week are:



KS1	KS2
1E 99.31%	3P 100%
1K 97.93%	5T 98.67%



### Olympic and Paralympic Values

We are incredibly proud of all of our children who travelled to the Beck Theatre on Monday for the Olympic and Paralympic Award Ceremony. Our Sports Ambassadors, Zaheeb and Sydney, were recognised for their efforts this year alongside all of the other Bronze Sports Ambassadors from other schools. The following children were nominated for displaying specific Olympic values:

- Friendship- Georgie Kelly
- Equality- Ifechi Obiakor
- Respect- Hechi Obiakor

- Determination- Sophie Cuni
- Courage- Joe Seckington
- Excellence- Selina Aleknaviute
- Inspiration- Inaya Alam

As well as the awards above, each school nominated a child for the John Brennan Award. We nominated Maddie Perry in year 6, for displaying all of the values listed above. Although Maddie didn't win the award, we want to say a huge WELL DONE, as it was a huge achievement to be nominated.





# Look what we've been up to:

**Nursery** - On Monday we held our nursery sports day. The children rotated around five activities involving running, jumping, balancing, throwing and kicking. They were brilliant, especially in the extreme heat, and they all well and truly earned their certificates. It was lovely to see so many parents there supporting their children.

Later in the week we began our transition activities to prepare the children for reception, by meeting some of the reception staff during story times.



**Reception** - This week we have been creating badges for sports day. We wrote numbers on them and decorated with loads of glitter. On Friday we had a drama workshop where we pretended to be cowboys finding a piece of golden mane from a golden horse. What a great adventure! We are celebrating Eid soon and one of our friends has brought cards and sweets for everyone in RG. That is a very kind surprise. Eid Mubarak everyone!!



**Year 1** - Years R, 1 and 2 had a wonderful actress come to visit them from PERFORM theatre. She took them on an adventure to the Wild Wild West! It was so much fun being cowboys and cowgirls and they worked as a team to build a raft.

After designing, building and papier mache-ing their castles, it was finally time for the children to paint them! This was their favourite bit! We hope you are enjoying having them in your homes :)

In Maths this week, Year 1 have been learning about the early stages of multiplication - repeated addition. They solved top secret codes using matchsticks and straws to create equal shapes to make up the total number of sides needed. The children found many different possibilities.

In Literacy, the children have been exploring non-fiction texts. They understand what the term means, examples of what they can include, and can recognise the different features. Their favourite part was reading the newspaper and then doing a role-play Newsround episode of the most interesting story they could find.



**Year 2** - Year 2 had their swashbuckling productions of 'Pirates vs Mermaids' this week! After weeks of singing and practising lines, pirate 'arrs' and sassy mermaid hair flicks, we performed on a very hot Wednesday and Thursday of this week to very happy audiences.

The performances were fantastic, all reflecting the children's hard work and dedication. A big thank you to all of the children who stepped in last minute to cover their fellow performers; this was much appreciated and shows the confidence that has blossomed from this experience. Well done to the whole of

Year 2, who really shone on stage, and show a promising future in performance!



**Year 3** - This week all the children have worked incredibly hard in their end of year assessments and they should be proud of all the hard work they have put into this year.

In science this week the children have enjoyed conducting an experiment to see the impact that different liquids have on our teeth. They have put egg shells (they are similar to the enamel of a tooth) into cups of coke, vinegar, water, milk and orange juice to observe the effect that these might or might not have. We eagerly anticipate the results!

The children have also enjoyed learning more about our topic on India and handling different foods, clothing, money and other items. It was also fantastic to hear first-hand accounts from children in the year group who have been to or have family living in India! We look forward to learning more about India over the next few weeks.







**Year 4** - Year 4 have been continuing to work on their writing this week. It has been fantastic to see the progress made over the year; the children are now able to independently edit their work and have started to use a greater range of punctuation. We can't wait to share with you their Viking Day Recounts at Parents Evening!

**Year 5** - This week, year 5 have been busy finishing off their Japanese board games. The games are shaping up well with spinners, handmade dice, boards featuring Japanese numbers and packaging fit to sit on a Tesco shelf! Year 5 look forward to playing their games next week.

Another exciting part of the week was sharing year 5's English homework. The task was to create Kensuke's Island in any way we wanted. Showing their creations, year 5 were able to see how much work everyone had put in. The staff were particularly impressed with some of the Minecraft islands and the 3D creations. You can see some of our work below!



**Year 6** - We have been warming up our vocal chords as we prepare for our Year 6 Show-Matilda! The year 6 team have been really impressed by the enthusiasm shown by all of the children. Next week we will be continuing our rehearsals, ready for the performance the following week. Please encourage all of the children to learn their lines...we have a lot to do to get performance-ready! The children have also been working hard on their portrait paintings; we are looking forward to displaying them for everyone to see. We are hoping you will be able to guess whose painting is whose!

## Notices

At each of our Sports Day events, 'The Pantry'- our new catering company, will be providing refreshments. Make sure you pop along and say hello!

THE GREAT ELLIOT BAKE OFF ★ THE GREAT ELLIOT BAKE OFF

# ON YOUR MARKS, GET SET, BAKE!

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FANCY YOURSELF AS A BUDDING CHEF? WANT TO TAKE PART IN A FANTASTIC CHARITY EVENT?

## TUESDAY JUNE 27TH

HELP SUPPORT A GREAT CAUSE

We will be hosting a fantastic charity event to support the Elliot Foundations's theme of Peace. A huge number of Elliot schools will be taking part, with the winner going on to represent Hillingdon Primary at the final.

Get creative in the kitchen - it may be a double chocolate mud cake or perhaps a selection of red velvet cupcakes... What wizardry could you cook up?

WE ARE ENCOURAGING ALL CHILDREN TO TAKE PART AND TO BRING IN A 'BAKED DELIGHT' ON THE TUESDAY MORNING. WE HAVE A SPECIAL PANEL OF JUDGES COMING, JUST LIKE THE REAL BAKE OFF!

CAN YOU CREATE A SHOW STOPPER?