



Harlington Lower School

Half Term School News - Summer (2) 2023

Welcome to our summer edition of School News.

We hope that you enjoy reading about our exciting Summer Term!

Letter from the Headteacher

Today we say a very fond farewell to our wonderful Year 4s. We wish all of our Year 4 children the very best of luck for their new schools. We will miss you all greatly but we know that you will do brilliantly.

It has been a wonderful year at Harlington Lower School. It has been a joy getting to know all the children and working with our families. We look forward to seeing the children and families who are returning in September. For those of you who are moving on, we wish you the best of luck for the future.

I want to take this opportunity to thank all the staff for all their hard work this year. Whilst the teachers teach the children brilliantly, they certainly couldn't do what they do without the fantastic team of support staff, who provide support both for the children and the teachers. Our office staff and Senior Leadership Team also undertake so much work which helps move the school forward. Often this is unseen, but without it, we would all soon notice the difference.

I hope you all have a lovely summer.

Miss Paulding

Leavers' Poem

Let no one steal your dreams
Let no one tear apart
The burning of ambition
That fires the drive inside your heart.

Let no one steal your dreams
Let no one tell you that you can't
Let no one hold you back
Let no one tell you that you won't.

Set your sights and keep them fixed
Set your sights on high
Let no one steal your dreams
Your only limit is the sky.



Let no one steal your dreams
Follow your heart
Follow your soul
For only when you follow them
Will you feel truly whole.

Set your sights and keep them fixed
Set your sights on high
Let no one steal your dreams
Your only limit is the sky.

Paul Cookson

Headteachers Award

Congratulations to the following children who achieved this year's Headteacher Award:

Oak Class – Elijah and Dylan
Chestnut Class – Georgie and Henry
Hawthorn Class – Oliver and Mila
Rowan Class - Lucas and Sophia B
Beech Class – Esmae and Clay

Oak Class



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Oliver



Wow work

Kay
Camilla

This term we have grown caterpillars into butterflies. When the butterflies were strong enough we set them free in our wild area on the field.

Hollie: It was fun to see the butterflies fly off.

Amelia: We watched the butterflies come out of their cocoons.

Lilly: The butterflies had different colours on their wings.



How lucky are we?

HVPS invited us over to their playground to see and handle some visiting farm animals.



Arthur: I fed the goat some grass.

Harper: It was fun to stroke the bunny.

Henry: We got to groom the horse with a brush. That was fun!

We dressed up for our Fairy Tale Ball and danced the afternoon away.



Sophia: I had fun dancing with the other two Elsa's.

Ebube: We played fun games.

Annie: Mrs Puntrello dressed up as a pink fairy.

We have ended our brilliant school year in Oak class with a trip to Herrings Green Farm.



Pietro: I liked the bird show.

Camilla: I loved playing in the playground, with the big slide.

Ben: It was fun holding the owls.

Liam: I liked the fire engine.

Chestnut Class



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Jacob



Wow work

Holly

Logan

In Chestnut Class we have been learning about sacred places in RE. For one of our lessons we were lucky enough to be invited to the Methodist church in Harlington village. We were warmly welcomed to the church by Mrs. Wallis, who then read us a story from 'Open the Book'. We then completed a scavenger hunt from a list of symbolic items within the church. Mrs. Wallis explained to us the use of the items within the church and answered any questions we may have had.



We enjoyed our trip to Whipsnade Zoo. We enjoyed the bird show, watching the penguins and exploring the butterfly house.



Cruz - I liked the penguins, they were very good at swimming.

Jamie - I liked the alligators. They have big teeth.

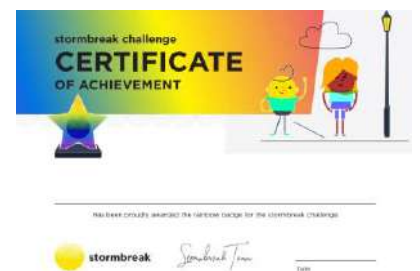
Aurora - I liked the bright coloured butterflies.

In Chestnut Class we have enjoyed participating in Storm Breaks. The Storm Breaks have provided us with many skills such as friendship, empathy and resilience. We achieved our rainbow award this half term, which we are very proud of!

Emilia - I enjoy doing Storm Breaks because they are fun.

Henry - I like Storm Breaks because it makes me happy. My favourite is 'Classroom Rockstars'.

Zoe - I like the Storm Breaks because they keep me calm.



Hawthorn Class



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Ava



Wow work

Jack

Ava

Year 1 and 2 had a fantastic trip to Whipsnade zoo on Tuesday 4th July. We enjoyed seeing lots of different animals, watching the bird show and going into the butterfly house.



James. C – I loved the bird show. I liked it when the man swung the mouse round for the falcon to catch.

Alayna – It was good and I liked seeing all the animals.

Felicity – I liked it when we saw the bears and the wolverines.

Alec – I really liked it when the parrots and all the other birds flew over us.

In Hawthorn class, we have really enjoyed taking part in a variety of Stormbreaks which have helped us to think about building resilience, our self-worth and having positive relationships with each other. We are very proud to have achieved our Rainbow Award!

In music this half term, we have been learning some Polish songs and a Polish dance. The children have really enjoyed creating some body percussion and using the glockenspiels as an accompaniment to one of the songs called Tanczmy Labada.



Rowan Class



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Mark



Wow work
Lucas
Phebe

Year 3 has had a busy end to the Summer Term and has worked extremely hard. On the 3rd July the class performed at The Grove Theatre performing the songs they have learned in their music lesson with Inspiring Music. The children sang wonderfully and represented the school fantastically.

In DT this half term the class designed and made their own kites considering all aspects of the structure of a kite and coming up with a design criteria for it to be successful.



Beech Class



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Logan



Wow work
Abbey
Joe W

We have had a jam-packed and fun-filled half term in Year 4 and these are some of the things that we've enjoyed and would like to share with you.

Xiaoyao: I enjoyed learning about zoos in English and making posters about why zoos can be good but also why they can be bad.

Jake : My favourite thing I did this half term was when we went to Parkfields, I really liked the food.

Lydia: I really enjoyed practising the play 'Lights, Camera, Action' ready to show our grown-ups. I also really enjoyed PE where we have been playing rounders.

Cillian: In PE, we did a rounders tournament in our house colours and it was really fun. In our Ancient Egypt topic, we got to write our names in hieroglyphics.

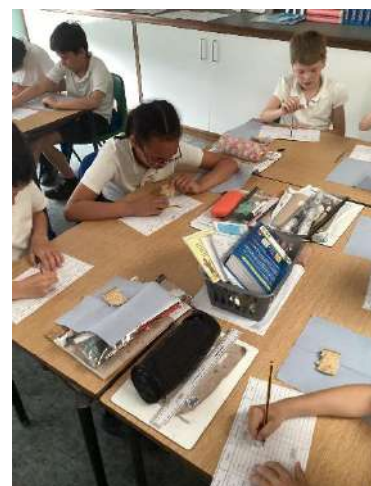
Sadie: I loved learning about hieroglyphics in our Ancient Egyptian lessons because it let me know an unusual and very interesting language.

Clay: This half term I've enjoyed editing Marvin's Book of Magic in Book Club with Mrs Georgescu.

Georgia: I liked tasting different types of bread in our DT topic and then designing my own bread shapes and flavours.

Ruth: I also loved making the different bread shapes with salt dough.

Abbey: I have enjoyed French lessons with Mrs Farrugia where we have been recapping and learning how to write different words and phrases in French.



We also spent a morning making bread which was really fun. We prepared the different ingredients, made the dough, kneaded it and then shaped it before sending it to the kitchens to be cooked (some of us even helped with the washing up). We learned that yeast makes the bread rise and that you have to leave it in a warm place (proving) before you bake it. There were lots of different flavour combinations: chocolate orange, chocolate and honeycomb, chocolate and cinnamon, chocolate and banana and garlic and herb (chocolate was popular as you can see. We got to taste it and evaluate it in the afternoon and we all thought our bread was DELICIOUS!



Relax with a book!

Back in June, we all had some time to get comfy, sit back, relax and enjoy reading a book. We made the classrooms a little cosier, put on some relaxing music and just spent some time enjoying books and stories. It was so much fun and even the grown ups joined in.



Music Assembly



We have lots of children in school who are learning to play the piano. They all played a piece of music in the summer music assembly where children were performing to an audience for the first time. They all played really well.



Year 3 and Year 4 recorder groups played in the music assembly showing us just how much they have learnt this year. Well done to all of our fantastic musicians.

