Welcome to the Spring Term

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Welcome back to a new and exciting Spring Term. We would like to wish you all a happy and prosperous New Year.

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Christmas Gifts

Thank you to all the parents and carers who sent in Christmas gifts – the staff were overwhelmed by your kindness and generosity.

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Friends 'Design a Logo' Competition

The Friends would love one of our pupils to design a new Logo for their group. Good luck everyone!

Friends Design a Logo Competition

Before the Christmas break, the Friends launched a 'Design a Logo' competition, asking the children to design a new logo for the Friends of Harefield Junior School. The Friends have decided to extend the deadline until next Friday – 18th January; so you still have plenty of time to get designs into school. There is a tray to place children's completed entreis in the school reception area. We will let you know who won the competition and their winning design at the end of January. Good luck everyone!

Music Clubs/Lessons

<u>Violin lessons</u> started on Tuesday 8th January, and are held every Tuesday morning during school time. If you are interested in your child learning the violin and would like to enrol for this term, there are letters available in the office reception area, alternatively go to: www.hillingdon.gov.uk/music.

Guitar and Music Technology club will start on Monday 14th January, these clubs run throughout the term on a Monday morning. Sign up sheets are available in the school reception area.

<u>Piano club</u> will start on Thursday 17th January, and run throughout the term every Thursday afternoon. Sign up sheets are available in the school reception area.

The children really enjoy learning and playing instruments at school and it is also a skill that will last them a lifetime. Children can then go on to join our orchestra and participate in the various music themed assemblies and concerts we have at school and in the local community. ALL MONEY TRANSACTIONS MUST BE BETWEEN THE OUTSIDE PROVIDER AND YOURSELF. The office or class teachers will not take any money for clubs.

Spring Term Curriculum Plans

Your child's curriculum plans for the Spring Term are on our website (www.harefield-jun.hillingdon.sch.uk). These curriculum plans can help you to support your child's learning at home and can be used as an aid for discussions at your child's next Target Setting.

Pupil Premium Grant- Free School Meal

We want to make sure that we are providing your child with the best education and support we can. Healthy school food has obvious health benefits and can help pupils establish healthy habits for life. Healthy school food can also help to improve pupils' readiness to learn.

Families who receive certain benefits may be eligible for free school meals. Your child is eligible for free school meals if you are in receipt of one of the following benefits:

- Universal Credit with an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400
- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part 6 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guarantee element of Pension Credit
- Working Tax Credit run-on (paid for the four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit)
- Child Tax Credit (with no Working Tax Credit) with an annual income of no more than £16,190.

Registering for free meals could also raise an extra £1,320 for the school to fund valuable support like extra tuition, additional teaching staff or extra curricula activities.

To register your child, please speak to a member of the school office who will be able to confirm your child's eligibility for a free school meal – we will need your National Insurance number, so please bring that along with you.

End of Autumn Term Awards

At the end of each term, children receive Awards at a Prize Giving Assembly. Here are the winners for the Autumn Term:

| Class | Writing | Mathematics | Reading | Arts |
|------------|------------------------------|------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------|
| 3 Hazel | Reg Clarke | Shariah Frame | Ruby Lovelock | Ava Blake (Art) |
| 3 Iroko | Sarang Venkatasubramaniam | Rhys Feticio | Summer O'Shaughnessy | Chloe Wells (Art) |
| 3 Willow | Sophie Stokes | Oscar Knox | Tyler Brimble | Lucy Bell (Art) |
| 4 Elm | Liya Gebchara | Rose Nemenyi | Ella-Louise Kelly | Violet Forin |
| 4 Maranti | Gracie Ellis | Ethan Lamoureux | Aidan McCay | Sophia Haynes |
| 5 Cherry | Mohammed Taki | Naisha Kothari | Billy Windsor | Amelia Haywood |
| 5 Sycamore | Taylor Green | Alin Miclea | Craig Allen | Amelie Hammond |
| 5 Walnut | Oliver Godbolt | Theresa Nevin | Cici Tucker | Ana Esguerra (Drawing/Art) |
| 6 Aspen | Marta Kwinta | Matthew Niranjan | Tasneem Ferdous | Louie Dixon (Music) |
| 6 Beech | Olivia Gilbert | Jeffrey Jomy | Hayden Knox | Sofia Gilda-Whyte (PE) |
| 6 Spruce | Ewan Walker | Eden Saayeng | Alice Walker | Anabel Biju |

Autumn Term Reading Competition Winners

Every term we hold a reading competition – 'Reading around the Solar System'. We are pleased to announce that Ella-Louise Kelly, Isla Hughes and Erin Pryor were the winners for the Autumn Term. They each won an Intu gift voucher. Well done girls!

The Pantry Movie Themed Menu

The Pantry Catering have organised a 'Movie Themed' menu for the children on Thursday 17th January (Census Day). The menu will be either a Vegetable Supreme Pizza or BBQ Chicken and Peppers Pizza both served with seasoned potato wedges, broccoli and sweetcorn or a jacket potato served with grated cheese or baked beans. Chocolate Fruit Crispie Cake or fresh fruit salad will be served for dessert.

3 Willow Class Assembly

3 Willow will be holding their class assembly on Tuesday 12th February at 9.00am. Invitations will be going home with the children nearer the time.

Year 6 School Journey 2nd Payment

The second payment of £155.00 is due by the 25th January. If you are paying by instalments, this does not affect you, please follow your pre-arranged payment plan.

School Photographs

The children will be having their school photographs taken on Monday 28th January. Letters will be going home with the children shortly.

Christmas Jumper Day

Thank you for all your kind donations for Christmas Jumper Day. We collected £153.00 which will be sent to Save the Children.

Community News

Please find below the list of dates when the police will be in Harefield:

Saturday 12th January 2019 at 11.00am in the Hungry Hare, Harefield Hospital.

Tuesday 15th January at 11.00am, Harefield Library.

Sunday 20th January at 1.00pm, in the Hungry Hare, Harefield Hospital.

Friday 25th January at 4.00pm in the Hungry Hare, Harefield Hospital.

Thursday 31st January at 1.00pm, Harefield Library.

Tuesday 5th February at 1.00pm, Harefield Library.

Attendance

Children at Harefield Juniors in the main have very good attendance and arrive at school punctually. This is, of course, a very important life skill for our children. Every week we have an attendance competition and the class with the best attendance wins a cup, stickers and a certificate. Please help your child by ensuring they attend school regularly and on time, 95% and above is considered good attendance, children falling below that are not making as much progress.

Here are the attendance figures for the last two weeks:

| 11.01.19 | | | | |
|-----------------|----------|-------|--|--|
| 1 st | 5 Cherry | 98.2% | | |
| 2 nd | 3 Iroko | 98.1% | | |
| 3 rd | 6 Aspen | 97.0% | | |
| 4 th | 6 Spruce | 96.4% | | |

Congratulations to 5 Cherry who are top of the attendance leader board. They will receive a class certificate and individual stickers.

House Points:

Each child in the school is placed in a House: Air, Earth, Fire or Water. The children earn House points and the total scores are announced at Merit Assembly. These are further collated and there is a winner for the year.

Here are the house points for the last two weeks:

| 11.01.19 | | | |
|----------|------------|--|--|
| Water | 127 points | | |
| Air | 98 points | | |
| Earth | 79 points | | |
| Fire | 72 points | | |

Congratulations to Fire House for coming top of the house point leader board. Well done to all the children who earned house points for their House. You may remember that the points are collated and the winning House receives a cup at the end of the year.

Dates for Your Diary 2019

| Tuesday 8 th January | Spring Term starts |
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| Monday 18 th – 22 nd February | Half Term |
| Monday 25 th February | Teacher training day, school closed |
| Friday 5 th April | Term finishes at 1.00pm |
| Tuesday 23 rd April | Summer Term starts |
| Monday 6 th May | May Day bank holiday, school closed |