



Class 5 mapping out the solar system



Harvey Road Primary School

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Headteacher's Awards

Congratulations to the following children who have already received a Headteacher's Award:

Year 6 – Blake, Harneet, Sophia, Archie

Year 5 – Millie-May, Aadi, Wilf, Ruben

Year 4 – Luke, Millie, Lilly

Year 3 – Jemima

Year 2 – Krish, Darcy

Admissions Open Morning – Saturday 20th October

We are holding an open morning for anyone who is interested in a place in Nursery or Reception in September 2019. The hour-long session will include a talk from Mr Rowlands covering all aspects of school life and the application process, followed by a brief school tour and time in the Early Years classrooms meeting the teachers and finding out about the transition into Harvey Road. There will also be a crèche for small children if you wish to use it.

If you are going to be applying for Nursery or Reception, please call the school office to book your place. Alternatively if you know anyone in the local area who is thinking about applying to Harvey Road School, please do let them know about our Open Morning and invite them to come along.

Parent Consultations – 16th and 18th October – appointment times will be sent home from Wednesday next week. If you have not yet returned your reply slip, please do so on Monday at the latest. If you are unable to make these two dates, please speak with the class teacher to arrange an alternative.

Harvest Assembly – Monday 8th October, 10am

Our Harvest Assembly is for all children from Reception upwards. Parents are warmly invited to come along and see the presentations that children have been busy preparing. This year we have chosen to collect food donations for Watford Food Bank as part of our Harvest Festival. Please see their website for current list of urgently needed items: <https://watford.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-food/>. Children are asked to bring these into class on the day of the assembly.

Let's Talk

Partnership between home and school is of vital importance to our children's wellbeing and progress. If you would like to meet with your child's class teacher at any point, please arrange an appointment through the school office.

Lateness

I shall be paying particularly attention to children being in school and ready to learn on time this term. Please support your child to avoid lateness. This includes children attending our Nursery.

School News

Several children have received the Green Achievement card this week. If your child has not brought one home yet, I am sure they will do soon!

We have had a very successful week in our Book Fair. Thank you to everyone who bought books – I hope you are enjoying reading them. A particular thank you to the members of our School Council (and parents) who helped to run the fair.

Harvey Road has been enjoying the recent warmth and sunshine. Class 5 have been releasing butterflies and mapping out the solar system on the field. Class 2 have been on a bug hunt in the school garden and a bear hunt in Croxley Woods. This morning they shared their very own 'We're going on a Bear Hunt' story in assembly. Class 3 spent a wonderful day yesterday at the Chiltern Open Air Museum learning all about the Stone Age to enhance their history topic this term.

School dinner taster day

Twice a year we give all our infant children the chance to try a school dinner. On Thursday 4th October children in years R, 1 and 2 will all be prepared a school meal of their choice from the menu. If you are concerned that they will not eat it, you are welcome to supplement this with a packed lunch but we would like to provide the opportunity to try something new.

Can you help?

We are looking for an experienced painter and decorator to volunteer to paint the swimming pool fencing and metal gazebos. If you might be able to spare some time, please speak with the school office.

Class blogs

Please have a look at our class blogs. We will try to update the regularly with pictures and new about what the classes have been doing.

<http://www.harveyroad.herts.sch.uk/class-blogs/>

Staff news

We are recently recruited Mrs Vicky Bancroft to work in our After School Club. We are looking forward to welcoming her into the staff team from Thursday next week.

Current vacancies

We are looking for an experienced SEND teaching assistant. Please see the Teach in Herts website for more details.

PTA news

The PTA will be holding its AGM on Wednesday 3rd October, 7.15-8pm in the dining room. This is a good opportunity to review last year's PTA events and see exactly what your support achieved. The first PTA reps meeting will then take place at 8pm straight after the AGM.

We are really excited about the circus tomorrow. It's a sell-out event and doors open at 1pm with the show starting promptly at 2pm. Weirdough Pizza and Cafe2you will be joining us and the PTA will be selling refreshments.

The next PTA event will be the Halloween disco on Saturday 27th October!

Best wishes, N Rowlands

