



Harvey Road Primary School

Newsletter 3
12th October 2018

Congratulations to Anya, class 3 our Christmas Card competition winner!

Headteacher's Awards

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

Year 6 – Kai, Shayna, Alex, Amelia, Stanley

Year 5 – Luke

Year 4 – Charlie

Year 3 – Austen

Year 2 – Chloe, Ruby, Leonardo, Finn, Moses, Kahay, Luigi

Christmas Card Competition

We had lots of entries to our Christmas card competition this year – it was very hard to judge between them! Our finalists were Charlie (4), Siya (4), Hannah (5) and Kanesa (3). The winning entry by Anya (3) will be used as our official school Christmas card. Congratulations to everyone who took part.

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.

Harvest Assembly

We hope you enjoyed our Harvest assembly. I thought the children had prepared some wonderful songs and presentations. Thank you for all the food donated. This will be collected by Watford Food Bank who will be coming into school to speak to the children in assembly in November to explain how the food is distributed.

Kiln

We no longer have need for our school kiln, if you know anyone local businesses or individuals who would be interested in buying it, please let Mrs Wallis know (finance@harveyroad.herts.sch.uk).

Relationships and Sex Education (RSE)

The RSE policy has been revised following some significant statutory changes in how this subject area is taught. The changes have been made by myself and Mrs J Jones, the PHSE leader and approved by Ruth Precey, our safeguarding governor. I am now sending it out to parents for a two week consultation period. The revised policy is attached to this parentmail and I would invite any comments or feedback to be sent to me through coming into speak with me or emailing admin@harveyroad.herts.sch.uk.

Childcare options

Herts County Council would like your feedback on the childcare options available to you and your family. If you're a parent or carer of a child between the ages of 0-14 years then they would like to hear from you.

Please may we ask you to complete the following survey by the **Friday 30th November 2018**:

<https://surveys.hertfordshire.gov.uk/s/JHFVI/>

School assemblies

Every Tuesday we invite guests to come and speak to the children about their faith, charity or special interest. These visitor assemblies are an important part of the provision of a broad curriculum at Harvey Road. We would love to involve more parents in this so if you have a particular interest, job, charity involvement or personal faith which you would be interested in sharing with the children, please do come and speak with Nicola in the school office.

School News

Our year 6 school councillors, Diana and Jai are meeting with representatives from local school councils from 16 schools on Monday at the Youth Council Forum. This event organised by Three Rivers District Council is the start of a year-long project enabling schools to be involved in their local communities. This year's projects have a focus on the environment and one of the activities we will be involved in is the planting of 100,000 bulbs across Three Rivers. Some more information is attached to this parentmail and we are excited to all get involved in this.

Stranger danger

We have been speaking with the children about stranger danger this week, in an age appropriate way across the classes. It would be worth reinforcing this at home and if you would like any advice on how to approach this subject, please do speak with your child's class teacher.

Thank you

A big thank you to two of our parents: Mr Fair for helping paint our swimming pool fencing this week and to Mr Beauchamp for providing the paint. Such generosity is really appreciated.

PTA news

Thank you to everyone who came to Happy's Circus! We hope you enjoyed the show which raised £1800 for the school.

The next PTA event is the Halloween Disco on the 27th October, 5-7pm. Tickets are selling fast!

Tickets include entry to the disco and either a meat or vegetarian meal choice- they can be bought through

<https://www.pta-events.co.uk/hrsa>

School Governors

You will have received a letter this morning outlining who our School Governors are for this year. The Governors work in all different areas of the school and we meet regularly both as a Full Governing Body and in two smaller committees overseeing school resources and school improvement. Each Governor has specific responsibilities and individual projects which they work on through the year. They are always available to parents who wish to discuss particular concerns or make suggestions for school improvement. Contact details will follow in the next newsletter but if you want to make contact with a Governor this week, please do so via Nicola in the school office.

Best wishes, N Rowlands

Parent Consultations

Please do not forget that school finishes at 2.30pm on Tuesday to allow time for Parent Consultations.