

Weekly Newsletter

9th October 2026

HARROW LODGE
PRIMARY SCHOOL



Here's what has happened over the last week!

Dear Parents and Carers,

It's been a whirlwind of a week starting on Monday when poor Riley-Jay (4B) took an innocent drink from the fountain in the KS2 playground only to have the spout shoot off the tap and a torrent of water (akin to Niagra Falls) poured out into the playground. Children scattered like rats off a sinking ship and the screeches alerted staff to a crisis at the level of a full-scale national emergency! Ms Clarke called the emergency services (aka Mr Welch and Mr Scott) who appeared on the scene within seconds carrying their toolkits like a pair of emergency plumbers — plungers, spanners, mysterious bits of pipe and all manner of gadgetry clanking at their sides. They saved the day whilst hoards of children watched and applauded and Riley just kept saying, "I didn't do anything, I swear! I just turned the tap on!"

This week, our Performing Arts Club members made the exciting trip to the West End to see The Lion King. Last year, when they went to see Wicked, they stood outside waiting for about an hour so, when they departed on Wednesday, in torrential rain, there were worried faces as they anticipated sitting in the theatre soaked to the skin. Luckily, the rain slowed down and the theatre's compassion ramped up so they were able to take their seats whilst still in a relatively dry state! They had a truly wonderful time and came away stoked and eager to emulate Simba, Nala and Mufasa in their own performance of the musical in the summer! Personally, I can't wait!!

On Wednesday, we also had our annual visit from the school nurse who came in to measure height and weight of Year 6 children to ensure that they're all growing nice and healthily. I've got to

say, there was a very loud buzz of excitement and cheery laughter as each class awaited their turn to take part. I don't know about you, but I never get that excited (or happy) before stepping on the scales - in fact, I approach with a tremor of dread not laughter. Oh to be young again and excited to see how many inches I've *grown* not *shrunk*!!

In other news, classes have been thoroughly enjoying Black History Month. Y6 have been learning about the challenges Nelson Mandela faced and why his legacy remains so important today. They've even been designing their own Nelson Mandela-inspired T-shirts, using their creativity to communicate powerful messages linked to equality and change. Y3 are preparing their paper strips for producing Kente weaving next week which is a traditional handweaving art from Ghana.

And finally, a little mention for something that doesn't always make the headlines but is just as important. I've noticed so many lovely examples this week of children helping one another, holding doors, including others in their games and simply showing kindness without being asked. These are the moments that make me especially proud because they show that our school values aren't just words on a wall — they're being lived out every day by our children.

And, on that note, I shall wish you a wonderful weekend and leave you with this thought:

"Kindness is a language which the deaf can hear and the blind can see!"

With kind regards and best wishes,

Mrs Searle

Stars of the week

Kindness Award



R1 Jai	4A Majus
R2 Ara	4B Raihan
1A Amaya	5A Summer
1B Mikaeel	5B James
2A Franco	6A Jacob
2B Niyanshi	6B Harry
3A Rocko	6C Promesse
3B Danielius	

R1 Kaiden	4A Franky
R2 Beau	4B Alice
1A Hurain	5A George
1B Harper	5B Heidi
2A Lennox	6A Joshua
2B Joshua	6B Roger
3A Ariana	6C Ayanah
3B Arisha	

Achiever Badges



Book Tokens



Remember to keep working to reach gold.
Once you reach gold 5 times you will earn
an acheiver badge!



Well done to the following
children for earning their book
token this week:

Irhaa 6A



Reaching gold this week:

Greyd 1A	Aleena 2A	Amelia 2B	Fletcher 3B	Alice 4B	Shiloh 5B	Jessica 6B
Rayaan 1A	Amayah 2A	Nila 2B	Danielius 3B	Elizabeth 5A	Aria 5B	Eshaal 6B
Luca 1A	Ruby 2A	Haleema 2B	James 3B	Diyan 5A	Finn 5B	Seth 6B
Lottie 1A	Rahman 2A	Niyanshi 2B	Lola 3B	George 5A	Idris 5B	Albie 6B
Imaani 1A	Da'Ud 2A	Michael 3A	Ayat 3B	India 5A	Sia 5B	Emma 6B
Micah 1A	Mia 2A	Billie 3A	Hudson 3B	Summer 5A	Milana 5B	Promesse 6C
Bonnie 1B	Tafeef 2A	Camilla 3A	Kendall 3B	Dalia 5A	Ardion 5B	Maxwell 6C
Denys 1B	Teddy-Jacob 2A	Hurmat 3A	George 4A	Toby 5B	Mithran 5B	Kimberley 6C
	Amelia-Rose 2A	Meltem 3A	Ameer 4A	Lorin 5B	Harley 5B	Oscar 6C
	Isaiah 2B	Fola 3A	Evani 4A	Haakil 5B	Sophia 5B	
	Joshua 2B	Mannat 3A	Henry 4B	Kasey 5B	James 5B	
	Zac 2B	Bella 3B	Zayna 4B	Thea 5B	Jenson 6A	

Golden Welly Award

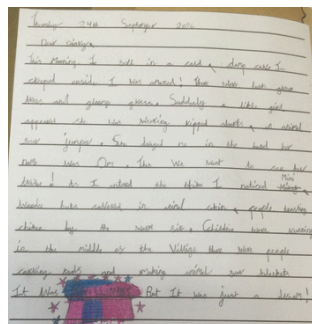
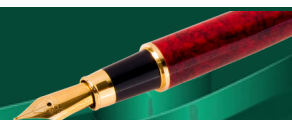
The award for great OPAL play this week goes to:

Luca in 1A
Halimat in 6A

Well done!



Presentation Award



This week's presentation award goes to:

Camilla in 3A

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Upcoming dates:

- Tuesday 13th October - Flu Vaccinations
- Monday 19th October - Wear pink for Breast Cancer
- Monday 19th October - Parent's Evening
- Tuesday 20th October - 9:15 am EYFS Harvest assembly
- Tuesday 20th October - 2:15 pm Year 5 Harvest assembly
- Thursday 22nd October - Parent's Evening
- Friday 23rd October - break up for half term
- Monday 2nd November - Return to school
- Thursday 5th November - PTA Firework Night
- Monday 9th November - Year 5 Bikability Week
- Monday 16th November - Learn to ride for year 2-6
- Tuesday 17th November - Learn to ride for year 2-6
- Thursday 19th November - Individual school photos
- Friday 20th November - Children in Need day
- Monday 23rd November - Stay and Learn week
- Thursday 3rd December - sponsored reindeer run
- Friday 4th December - Whole school panto trip
- Monday 7th December - am Year 2 Christmas concert, pm Year 1 Christmas Concert
- Tuesday 8th December - am EYFS Christmas concert, pm Year 2 Christmas concert
- Wednesday 9th December - am Year 1 Christmas concert, pm EYFS Christmas concert

Thank you for reading!

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