

NEWSLETTER

Friday 1 December 2023



Dear Parents & Carers,

Christmas Jumper Day is an annual fundraising campaign in the UK organised by the charity Save the Children. On Friday 8th December 2023, it will be Xmas Jumper Day for the children at Concordia!



Help us to make the world 'better with a sweater' and raise funds for Save the Children by getting your child to wear a Christmas jumper and making a minimum donation of £1.

Please do not feel that you have to buy a jumper especially for the occasion as there are many ways children can still participate.

Have a good weekend, all.

Kind Regards

Mr Akhtar Headteacher Key Dates
Autumn Term Second Half 2023

Tuesday 5 December Aerospace engineer workshop for Y3-Y6

> Friday 8 December Xmas Jumper Day

Monday 11 December iRock Concert for parents from 2.30pm

Tuesday 12 December iRock Concert for parents from 2.30pm

Wednesday 13 December Flu vaccines for Reception-Y6

Thursday 14 December School nurse drop-in at 8.50am

Friday 15 December PTA Event: Santa's Grotto

ATTENDANCE

Congratulations to Daisy Class for being our attendance winners in Reception with 96.3% attendance for the week. Congratulations to Lily Class for being the attendance winners in Key Stage 1 with 96.6% attendance, and also to Iris Class who are our Key Stage 2 winners with 98% attendance for the week.

ALL CHILDREN IN SCHOOL UNIFORM EVERY DAY PLEASE! THANK YOU!

Reception

Bluebell Aisha Daisy Dariya Buttercup Malachi

Year 1

Daffodil Maya Lilac Nouh Sunflower Lenny

Year 2

Tulip Finley
Lily Valentina
Poppy Aathanya

Year 3

Carnation Olivia Freesia Riley Blossom Dominik

STAR OF THE WEEK



Year 4

Orchid Jordan Dahlia Karam

Year 5

Magnolia Monika

Year 6

Iris Adah

HEADTEACHER AWARD

Reception

Bluebell Sankeerth
Daisy Humza
Buttercup Adnan

Year 1

Daffodil Hamza Lilac Bobby Sunflower Vinutha

Year 2

Tulip Hudson
Lily Teresa
Poppy Muhammad
Islam

Year 3

Carnation Erin
Freesia Nina
Blossom Rija

HEADTEACHER AWARD



Year 4

Orchid Isra
Dahlia Aanya

Year 5

Magnolia Siyam

Year 6

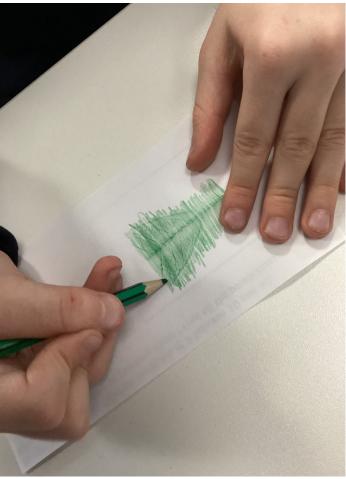
Iris Luka

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CURRICULUM CORNER- YEAR 3

Year 3 have thoroughly enjoyed developing their singing skills during Music this week, learning how to sing in unison and use simple rhythmic notation to compose a Viking battle song. The children also began to add instrumental elements and body percussion to add realistic sound effects to their composition. Continuing with the creative elements of their learning, Year 3 have also been focusing on using a frottage technique to collect textured rubbings of objects and using their skills learnt so far to sketch botanical drawings.







IT WEEK

Over the course of this week (and for some classes next week), the children have dived into the computing curriculum with great enthusiasm!

Year 2 have been researching about endangered animals and then learning to create a PowerPoint presentation based on their research, adding images, text and animations to their slides.

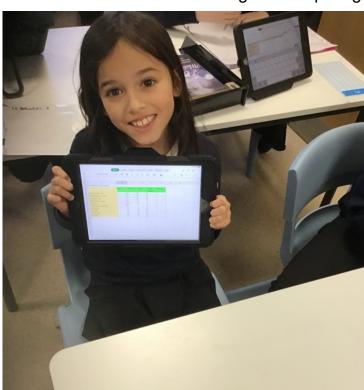
Year 3 have begun to learn how to navigate their way around Excel spreadsheets, entering data and using formula.

These skills have been developed upon in Year 4 where they have been entering data and creating graphs with the data.

Year 6 have also been creating PowerPoint presentations and presenting them to the class, building on their presenting skills as well as their computing skills. They have used their research to create informative presentations on such topics such as the UK economy.



Next week, Year 1 will begin learning how to use Microsoft Word while Year 5 will create information leaflets using Microsoft Publisher. All students have had a lesson on Online Safety and have discussed varying topics around being safe online. Everyone has shown a real excitement and fantastic knowledge of computing.





COMMUNITY UPDATE—NATIONAL AUTISTIC SOCIETY





To find out more visit: www.autism.org.uk/earlybird

Has your child received an autism diagnosis?



Join the National Autistic Society's EarlyBird Plus programme to understand more about autism and how you can support your child.

EarlyBird Plus programme

Meet other parents and share experiences on our ten-week programme. Designed for parents of children aged from four to nine, we can help you understand autism and support your child, including:

- supporting interaction
- understanding sensory differences
- developing play
- interpreting behaviour.

"EarlyBird Plus is an absolute must to help you begin to learn and understand how your child's mind works."

We encourage you to attend the sessions with a professional, such as a teaching assistant, who is working regularly with your child.

> This is your local licensed EarlyBird Plus group leader, trained by the National Autistic Society.





Contact them for more information:

Name: Kelly Cornish & Gill Cockram

Contact: 01708 433 936 CAD5to19@havering.gov.uk

Information and support

Get free resources and expert advice on a wide range of issues affecting autistic people and their families.

Q Visit: www.autism.org.uk

COMMUNITY UPDATE—THE KIDS BANK

Just a reminder that we are supporting the Baby Bank and the Kids Bank this year with their Christmas appeal. They work hard to ensure that any children from local families who face waking to no presents this Christmas, WILL receive a gift on Christmas morning.

With the support of the local community, every year they have managed to meet the number of gifts required. However, with the cost of living crisis they are worried this year they might not be able to meet their target, so any help is very much appreciated.

There has been a huge response to their Christmas Appeal so far, however they still have over 200 children in need of a gift Christmas morning. Their appeal is running until 4th December so there is still time to get involved.

You can find out more information on their website: www.thekidsbankhq.org/christmasappeal

Please do drop any gifts that you wish to donate to the school office for the attention of Ms Pettigrew or Ms Mills.

As always, your support is much appreciated!







Dedicated Dads

HEST and CAMHS would like to invite you to come along and have a chat with other Dads and our teams.



Where - Hornchurch Fire Station, Community

Room, 42, North Street, Hornchurch RM11 1SH

Please regsiter your interest MHSThav@nelft.nhs.uk



NELFT NHS

NHS Foundation Trust







Supporting families during the Christmas Holiday

Skating

From Wednesday 20 December 2023 to Wednesday 3 January 2024





For more information visit www.Havering.gov.uk/HAF





Department for Education



COMMUNITY UPDATE—CYCLING

GROUP RIDES DECEMBER

Attention all cyclists!

Our men's, women's and mixed group led rides will be a great opportunity to explore the beautiful nature around Thames Chase Forest Trust.

Please ensure you have a helmet and that your bike is in good working order. If you don't have a bike or helmet, we can provide them on the day free of charge.

Multiple dates throughout December...

Meet at 9.50 am, start at 10 am - 1 hour ride Finish at 11 am

With coffee and cakes provided after!



Meeting point: Thames Chase Forest Trust reception (near carpark and cafe)
The Forest Centre
Broadfields Farm, Pike Lane
Upminster, RM14 3NS

To find out more and register, please visit our website: www.cycleconfident.com/havering

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