

Issue 21
22nd April 2022

A warm welcome back to all our children, staff and families. I hope you had a wonderful Easter break.

Although a short week, the school has been buzzing with excitement, learning and play this week. The children have returned well rested and keen to get back to learning as we enter the summer term.

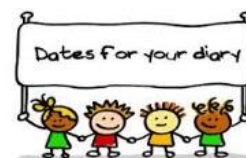
It has been wonderful looking out of the window and seeing classes learning outside the classroom. Studies show that children that use the outside learning environment retain 20% more than those restricted to indoor learning alone. Keeping on the theme of outdoor learning, the children have got straight back into our OPAL programme at lunchtimes. This week we introduced tyres and a newly built sandpit (KS1) and the children have enjoyed a wonderful week of exploration, while continuing to develop their play skills. School staff have continued to support the children and lunchtime supervisors while we are in the infancy stages of the OPAL programme and this is proving to be invaluable.

Term Time Holiday Requests

We have recently received a high number of requests for holidays and periods of absence in school time. The law changed some time ago, when schools were stopped from granting families holiday leave. Schools are now required to refuse requested absence. This means that if you choose to take your child on holiday during term time it will not be authorised.

Attendance

Attendance is tracked at Beavers and there are clear links between attendance and the impact on children's learning. Considering the amount of lost learning and disruption to children's education in recent years, it is vital that children attend school regularly. If you are struggling or have any queries about your child's attendance please email or ring the school office. If we become worried about your child's attendance you will receive a letter and will be offered a meeting in school to support at an early stage with attendance issues.



April—Co-operation/Equality
29th Early Years—Perform for Schools Assembly
May—Equality
2nd May Bank Holiday
W/C 9th Y6 SATS week
10th Y5 Swan Lake, Royal Opera House
20th Y3 Lookout Centre Bracknell
W/C 30th Half term
June—Kindness
21st Nursery—Heathrow Gym
28th Nursery—Wild Fang reptiles in school



Attendance

Good attendance is very important for learning!

Attendance cup winners were:

K1 1st Y1 Yellow 95% • 2nd Y2

Sky 94% • 3rd Y2 Blue 93%

K2 1st Y3 Jade 94% • 2nd Y6

Silver 93% • 3rd Y6 Jet 91%

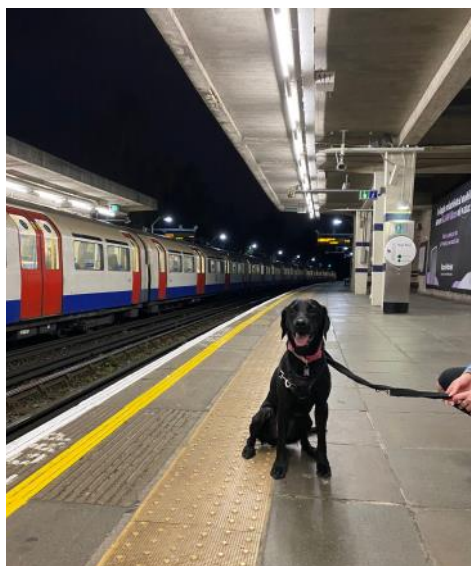
Well done!

Classes with 100% attendance earn a multi-day as a prize.



Chrissie has been in school this week and has enjoyed being back in, she has had lots of cuddles from children and staff.

During the Easter break she went on an adventure and travelled by tube with Jude and Holly.





Nursery children have been busy looking after the potatoes we have planted in our garden. The children have been watering the potatoes. Well done Nursery!

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GOOD NEWS! FREE HEALTHY LIFESTYLE COURSES ARE STARTING IN HOUNSLOW IN MAY.

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	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
Starts w/c 9th May for 11 weeks	ISLEWORTH The Smallbury Green Primary School 17:00 - 19:00 Age 5 - 15	CRANFORD Cranford Community College 17:00 - 19:00 Age 5 - 15	HOUNSLOW CENTRAL Grove Road Primary School 17:00 - 19:00 Age 5 - 15	FELTHAM Marjory Kinnon School 17:00 - 19:00 Age 5 - 15
Starts w/c 9th May for 10 weeks	ONLINE 17:30 - 18:15 Age 5 - 8	ONLINE 18:15 - 19:30 Age 9- 12	...AND SIGN UP FOR FREE	

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OPAL (Outdoor Play and Learning) has been up and running for 2 weeks now and already the children have gained a lot from their experience. The children now have access to a wide range of activities at lunchtime including a wheel area, music, creativity area, sports, quiet area and den building.

Feedback from the lunchtime supervisors has been really positive with reports of less accidents and more evidence of the children exploring the different activities and working well together.

You will have noticed building work taking place. We have had a large sand pit constructed in the infant playground, which the children absolutely love, and we hope in time we can do the same for the juniors - watch this space!

If you have any of the following items that you don't need any more and are happy to donate to school then please send them in:

- Buckets and spades (for playing in the sand pit)
- Small world creatures and toys (e.g. animals, dinosaurs, cars, insects etc.)
- Old cookery things e.g. sieves, colanders, pans, spoons, ladles etc (for use in the sand pit)

Many thanks and we look forward to some more exciting play ahead.



Year 1 had a great day with the final day of their History topic. They made diseases from paint, Florence Nightingale lamps and learnt some basic first aid.



TERM DATES 2022 / 2023

AUTUMN TERM 2022

Thursday 1st September to Friday 16th December

1st, 2nd September STAFF INSET - school is closed to children

- ***Half Term – Monday 24th October to Friday 28th October***
- ***Christmas holiday – Monday 19th December to Monday 2nd January***

SPRING TERM 2023

Tuesday 3rd January to Friday 31st March

New Year's Day - Sunday 1st January (holiday Monday 2nd January)

- ***Half Term – Monday 13th February to Friday 17th February***
- ***Easter holiday – Monday 3rd April to Friday 14th April***

SUMMER TERM 2023

Monday 17th April to Friday 21st July

- ***May Day: Monday 1st May***
- ***Half Term – Monday 29th May to Friday 2nd June***

3 INSET Days yet to be set – School closed to children

All dates are subject to amendment