

It has been a busy week at school this week. Year 3 and Year 5 went back in time with workshops for their history topics: Stone Age and Anglo-Saxons. It looked as though they all had a wonderful time. Year 5 also put on a fantastic assembly to celebrate Lunar New Year - thank you to all those who were able to attend. You may have seen in the news that some members of the National Educational Union will be striking on the following dates:

1st February  
2nd March  
15th March  
16th March

We are currently consulting staff on their intention to strike and will keep you updated of our plans. There is a chance that some classes, year groups or the whole school will need to close.

If you think you are eligible for free school meals visit the Hounslow website [https://www.hounslow.gov.uk/info/20025/schools\\_and\\_colleges/61/free\\_school\\_meals](https://www.hounslow.gov.uk/info/20025/schools_and_colleges/61/free_school_meals)  
Families who are in receipt of free school meals currently receive £15 vouchers per child per week during the school holidays.



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January
Spring 1—Determination
24th Choir—Young Voices
27th Y1 Bird Man Visit
February
Spring 1—Determination
3rd Author visit—Banji Alexander
6th Nursery—Library visit
8th Y2 Visit to St Paul's Church
10th Break up for Half Term (normal time)
20th Back to school
Spring 2—Co-Operation
21st Parents Book Look
22nd Parents Book Look
23rd Parents Book Look
March
Spring 2—Co-Operation
1st Parents Evening
2nd Parents Evening
3rd World Book Day
W/C 6th Y1 Trips to local church
17th Rec & Y1 Ark Farm in school
31st Break for Easter—Close at 1:30
31st No Nursery

## Attendance—Did you Know that ...

**97% attendance means your child will have missed 6 days of school throughout the year.**

**If you take a two week holiday during term time your child's attendance will automatically be reduced to less than 95%.**

**90% attendance means that your child will have been absent for the equivalent of one half day every week! This also means that your child will have missed the equivalent of 4 whole weeks throughout the school year!**

A two week holiday each year in primary school means a total of 14 weeks teaching time missed. This is the equivalent of a whole term and can have a real impact on your child's literacy and numeracy skills.

If your child does not attend school regularly and you fail to work with the school and The Education Welfare officer you may be fined up to £2,500.

## Nursery Admissions

If your child was born between **1 September 2019** and **31 August 2020** they can start in our nursery class in September 2023. Please note we offer places for 15 hours either Morning (8.30am - 11.30am) or Afternoon (12.30pm - 3.30pm). Application forms are available on the school website. <https://www.beaversprimaryschool.co.uk/page/?title=Admissions&pid=16>

### Key dates:

- **1st January 2023**—applications open
- **10th March 2023**—Closing date
- **11th March—5th May 2023**—Offers made



## Attendance Ladder



## Attendance

Good attendance is very important for learning!  
Attendance cup winners were:

**Y3 Lime with 98.3%**

**Y5 Red with 98%**

**Y6 Silver with 97.2%**

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

Spring 1's value is Determination

UNICEF Article 42 – (knowledge of rights) Governments must actively work to make sure children and adults know about the Convention.



## Parent & Community Partnership



### Parent Mental Health Day takes place on Friday, 27 January.

The day helps to raise awareness about the importance of good mental health and wellbeing in parents and carers to help families adapt to challenging situations.

The theme for this year's event is all about building family resilience and will focus on how parents and carers can manage their own stress and anxiety while guiding the family through difficult times.

There is a free online webinar all about building family resilience on Thursday, 26 January, between 7pm and 8pm.

Find out more and register for a place by visiting the link below:

<https://stem4.org.uk/parentmentalhealthday>

Community News —

Barbara Moses

Community Liaison Officer



#### Golden Ticket:

Awarded for: Good Values,  
Good Behaviour

WE 20th January 2023

Apricot—Elisha	Jade—Sian
Orange—Arrianna	Green—Hana
Amber—Umar	Lime—Nadine
Primrose—Eva	Lavender—Gabriel
Yellow—Nathan	Purple—Bhagi
Indigo—Melwynn	Lilac—Sapphire
Blue—Rayan	Ruby—Hannan
Sky—Elizabeth	Crimson—Demian
	Red—Sukhmani



Hounslow Council and its partners have opened a network of warm spaces across the borough to help people cope with the cold weather.

Everyone is welcome at any of the warm spaces and you can stay as long as you like. The borough's libraries and leisure centres are amongst the venues offering a warm space and there are many others operated by community groups and charities.

For more information please visit: <https://www.hounslow.gov.uk/warmspaces>

If you are interested in purchasing the commemorative coin for the Kings coronation, see images below, please email Ms Moses -

[b.moses@beavers.hounslow.sch.uk](mailto:b.moses@beavers.hounslow.sch.uk).

The price will be approximately £4.



Obverse



Reverse



**OHM & Let's Leap Clubs: 3.15PM to 4.30 PM**  
**Teacher Led (TL): 3.15PM to 4.15PM**

There are still places for the following clubs:

Wednesday – Craft Club – Reception to Year 2 only - £1 per week

Wednesday – Football Reception & Year 1 - £3 per week

Thursday Mathsletes Club (Years 4 and 5 only) - Free

Thursday – Multi Sports with Let's Leap – all year groups - £3 per week

Please contact Ms Moses if you wish to join any of these clubs

### BEAVERS AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

**SPRING 1 TERM 2023:**

**9<sup>th</sup> January to 10<sup>th</sup> February 2023**

**(5 weeks)**





Kayleigh Spencer, a Senior Countryside Ranger from Lampton (LBH) visited our school today to carry out a little upcycling project with the Eco Warriors. Kayleigh helped the children create their own bird feeders using plastic bottles, string and sticks. The bird feeders are hanging by Hut 1 and look wonderful. We are looking forward to next week's little project, creating bug hotels in the conservation area.





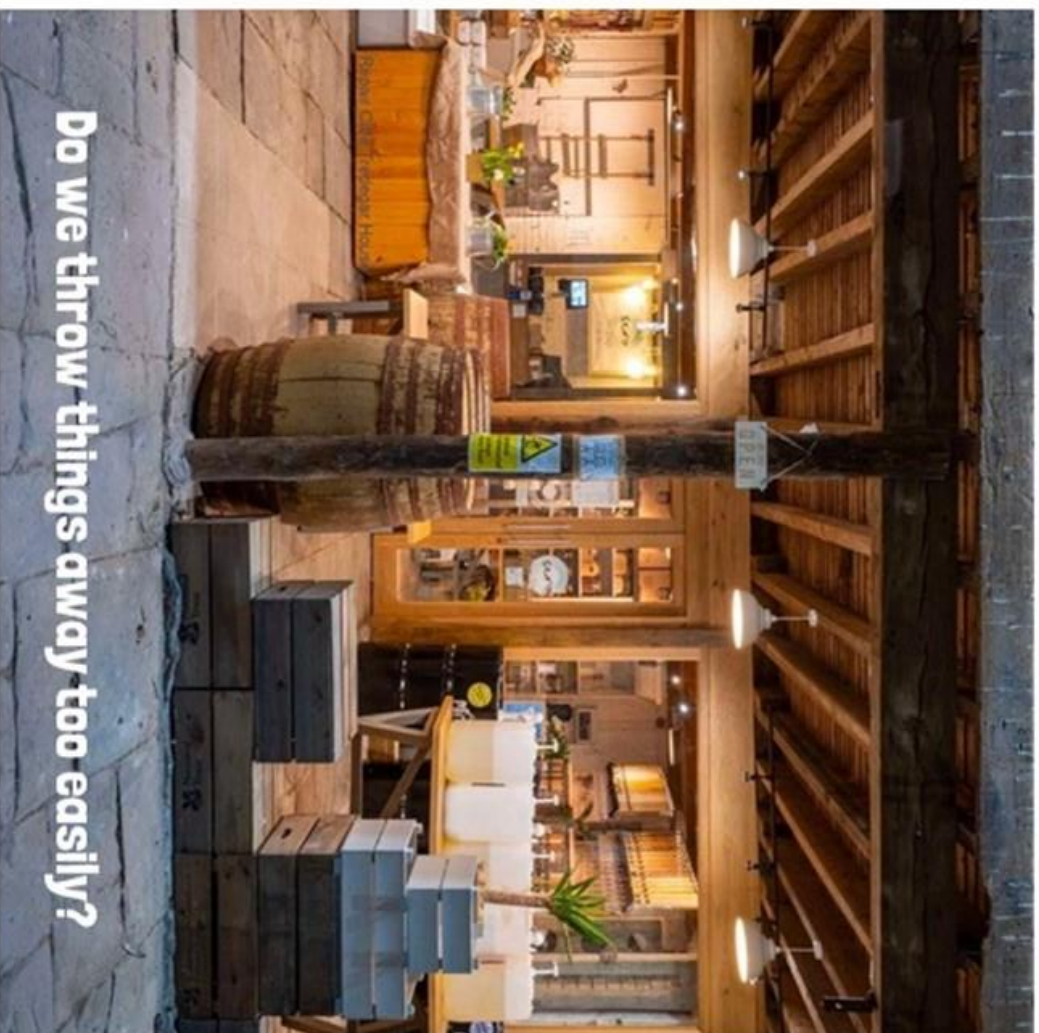


Year 3 had a Stone Age Workshop on Monday. They had a great day and were fully immersed in the Stone Age life; building Stonehenge, burying royalty and hunting and gathering!





# TAKE HOME



Do we throw things away too easily?

## In the news this week

Many of us are increasingly reusing, repairing, and upcycling items, instead of throwing them away and replacing with new ones, according to experts. Upcycling shop, the Repair Café in Wales believes, that because of the cost of living crisis, people are making the most of what they already have. Throwaway culture has been the norm since the 1950s but now appears to be declining.

### Things to talk about at home ...

- > Do you think repair cafés are a good idea?
- > If there were a repair café near you, would you use it? What types of things might you take?
- > Do you have any repairing skills? Is it something you would like to learn?

### Please note any interesting thoughts or comments

Share your thoughts and read the opinions of others

[www.picture-news.co.uk/discuss](http://www.picture-news.co.uk/discuss)

