

Poppy Making



Little Acorns observed Remembrance Day by making poppies and learning about why it is important to commemorate all the soldiers who fought in the war to keep us safe.



Design and Technology Lesson



Last week, the Year 2 children learnt about buildings in Uxbridge during their Geography lessons and linked their learning to their Design and Technology project. They looked at the buildings in Uxbridge and their features before going on to identify the buildings on a map and creating their own 3D maps of Uxbridge.





Year 2 Parent Workshops



On Monday 15th and Tuesday 16th November, Year 2 staff delivered a comprehensive two-day workshop for parents, guardians, and carers on how to support their children with improving Mathematics, reading, writing and grammar skills. Both workshops also included details of the government expected targets in Year 2 for Mathematics, Reading, Grammar and Writing, as well as, how and when SATS will be administered and supported during this academic year. Overall, it was a successful and informative two-day workshop. If you missed the opportunity to attend, or require any clarification, please see your child's classroom teacher for further information.



Year 3 Outdoor Pedestrian Training



On Tuesday 2nd November, the Year 3 children took part in outdoor pedestrian training which took place off-site around the School grounds. The training improved children's road awareness, skills and behaviour and enabled them to establish safe practice near the road at all times. All children listened very carefully, adhered to all instructions and gained valuable knowledge on how to be responsible pedestrians.



Maths Week England 2021



Monday 8th to Friday 12th November was observed as Maths Week England nationally. The children embraced the week's activities by listening to Mathematics-related stories, competing in Times Tables Rock Stars competitions and learning about how Mathematics is used by celebrities such as Joe Wicks in their everyday lives. The week ended with the Hewens College Mathematics Department hosting a Mathematics Relay for Year 6 focusing on Numbers, Algebra, Shape and Space. The children across the School had an engaging week which boosted their knowledge, skills and attitude towards appreciating Mathematics and applying it to their everyday lives.



HOW TO PROPERLY WASH YOUR HANDS



HELP PREVENT THE SPREAD OF COVID-19



Adolescent Development Services

Adolescent Development Services continues to provide support, advice and interventions for children and young people who live, learn or earn in Hillingdon. Across the Christmas Holiday period, children and young people will have the opportunity to maximise the programme's targeted winter offer **#DoSomethingThisHoliday** through a selection of positive, fun, free online and IRL (in real life) activities designed to engage, entertain and educate. The sessions and workshops are provided on a referral basis and will run from Monday 20th to Thursday 23rd December and Wednesday 29th to Friday 31st December with a plethora of activities from games and sports, crafts, quizzes, to a thrilling online escape room! Please visit (<https://www.hillingdon.gov.uk/targeted-programmes>) for more information.

Train to Be a Family Support Volunteer

If you are interested in training to be a family support volunteer, giving support, providing practical help and making a difference to local families who are struggling to cope with issues including post-natal depression, isolation and managing difficult personal circumstances, apply now for Home Start Hillingdon's Volunteer Preparation Course starting on Wednesday 19th January.

Full training and support are provided and the agreed expenses are covered. To find out more, please visit (<https://bit.ly/3FCsckH>).

School Council Month

The month of November will be celebrated as School Council Month. At Hewens Primary School, we will be promoting pupils' voice through our newly established School Council and Leadership Teams for 2021 to 2022 from Reception to Year 6. The month's celebration began with a Pinning Ceremony where all school leaders received their respective leadership badges and mandated for the School year. The Leadership opportunities that were available through our Leadership and School Council this year were:

- Head Boy and Girl
- Deputy Head Boys and Girls
- Alliance Captains and Vice Captains
- Class Prefects
- Librarians
- Achievement Ambassador
- Sports and Fitness Champions
- Teaching and Learning Ambassadors
- Mental Health Champions
- Charity and Outreach Champion

During our School Council meeting, we will decide on spring and summer term activities in addition to other learning, health and safety and safeguarding activities that will be our priority for the School year. School Council meetings will be held on the last Friday of each month and it is expected that they will include the views of the other pupils in their classes and feedback regarding decisions taken.

Assessment Week

During the week commencing Monday 29th November, the children in Years 1 to 6 will be undertaking their Rising Stars and SATS Practice assessments.

In order for us to help the children in their progress, it is extremely important that they attend school every day. Please also remember that a good breakfast is always an essential meal for children before school, but in particular when they are sitting tests. Research has shown that children who eat a healthy breakfast have improved alertness, concentration, mental performance, mood and memory. We wish all our children every success in their tests!

School Photograph Orders

The individual school photograph proofs have been received by the School and handed out to all children.

Orders will be limited to online ordering, directly to Fraser Portraits via (https://orderphotos.co.uk/school_downloads), or over the phone at 01202 692433. You will be required to log in with your account details or enter your proof card identification/registration code to be able to make payments.

Orders must be placed by **Tuesday 30th November** in order to receive free delivery back to the School. Please note that these will not be delivered until the beginning of December. Unfortunately, any order received after this date will need to be ordered directly to Fraser Portraits and will incur an additional surcharge of £4.00 per pack. For all orders placed after the deadline date, packs will be sent directly to your home address.



HEWENS PRIMARY SCHOOL VIRTUAL OPEN EVENING

Tuesday 30th November 2021

Going Live at 6:00pm

The Virtual Tour for can be accessed via: (<https://trhat.co.uk/transition-hp/>)

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NOVEMBER TO DECEMBER 2021		
NOVEMBER		
Monday 1st to Tuesday 30th	School Council Month	
Monday 29th to Friday 3rd December	Assessment Week	
Tuesday 30th	School Photograph Order Deadline	
Tuesday 30th	6:00pm	Foundation Years Virtual Open Evening
DECEMBER		
Thursday 2nd	9:15am	Christmas Tree Trimming - AM Nursery and Reception
	2:00pm	Christmas Tree Trimming - PM Nursery, Years 1 and 2
Friday 3rd	9:15am	Christmas Tree Trimming - Years 3 and 4
	2:00pm	Christmas Tree Trimming - Years 5 and 6
Tuesday 7th		Height and Weight Screening - Reception and Year 6
Friday 10th		Christmas Jumper Day
Friday 10th	2:00pm	Winter Fair
Thursday 16th		Christmas Class Parties - Non-Uniform Day

Foundation Years Virtual Open Evening for Nursery and Reception

On **Tuesday 30th November**, we will launch our virtual open evening and tour of the School's Early Years provision where our Nursery and Reception children are based. Through the videos, new and prospective parents, guardians and carers will be able to acquire all the important information they need in choosing the best school for their child/ren and garner more insight into the School's positive ethos. We do hope that the event will allow all parents, guardians and carers to get a flavour of life at Hewens Primary right here and now, giving everyone the very best window into our school that puts well-being, safety and care above everything else.

Please view this auspicious event on the School's website. Our virtual open evening tab will go live at approximately 6:00pm via (<https://trhat.co.uk/transition-hp/>). **Please click on the thumbnail in the flag to enlarge.**

Christmas Tree Trimming Assemblies

We will be hosting our annual Christmas Tree Trimming assemblies this year and would like to invite one parent per child to attend. All the children will have a wonderful time as they sing songs and decorate the Christmas tree. Please note the following dates and times that parents, guardians and carers are invited to attend:

Thursday 2nd December:

9:15am – AM Nursery and Reception

2:00pm – PM Nursery, Years 1 and 2

Friday 3rd December:

9:15am – Years 3 and 4

2:00pm – Years 5 and 6

Week Commencing: Monday 29th November		
MENU 1		
MONDAY		
Meal Choice 1	Chicken Goujons with Homemade Oven Baked Potato Slices and Beans	Halal
Meal Choice 2	Chicken Goujons with Homemade Oven Baked Potato Slices and Beans	Non Halal
Meal Choice 3	Baked Jacket Potato with Various Fillings	Vegetarian
Meal Choice 4	Gluten free Chicken Goujons with Potatoes and Beans	Gluten/Dairy Free
Dessert Choice	Strawberry Ice Cream and Fresh Strawberries	Fresh Fruit and Yoghurts
TUESDAY		
Meal Choice 1	Spaghetti Bolognese	Halal
Meal Choice 2	Spaghetti Bolognese	Non Halal
Meal Choice 3	Ratatouille Spaghetti	Vegetarian
Meal Choice 4	Bolognese with Gluten free Pasta	Gluten/Dairy Free
Dessert Choice	Jam Sponge	Fresh Fruit and Yoghurts
WEDNESDAY		
Meal Choice 1	Chicken Tikka Masala with Rice	Halal
Meal Choice 2	Chicken Tikka Masala with Rice	Non Halal
Meal Choice 3	Macaroni Cheese	Vegetarian
Meal Choice 4	Lightly Spiced Chicken Breast with Rice	Gluten/Dairy Free
Dessert Choice	Lemon Tart	Fresh Fruit and Yoghurts
THURSDAY		
Meal Choice 1	Roast Turkey with Onion Gravy, Roast Potatoes and Stuffing	Halal
Meal Choice 2	Roast Turkey with Onion Gravy, Roast Potatoes and Stuffing	Non Halal
Meal Choice 3	Cauliflower and Broccoli Cheese Bake	Vegetarian
Meal Choice 4	Turkey Escalope with Potatoes and Gluten free Gravy	Gluten/Dairy Free
Dessert Choice	Strawberry Jelly	Fresh Fruit and Yoghurts
FRIDAY		
Meal Choice 1	Fish Fingers with Oven Baked Potato Wedges	
Meal Choice 2	Tomato Pasta Bake	Vegetarian
Meal Choice 3	Gluten free Fish Fingers with Gluten free Potato Wedges and Beans	Gluten/Dairy Free
Dessert Choice	Fresh Fruit Salad	Fresh Fruit and Yoghurts
Please note that all main meals are served with Fresh Vegetables of the Day		

Winter Fair

On Friday 10th December, we shall be holding our annual Winter Fair, starting at 2:00pm. If you are interested in renting a table, please see the School Office with a deposit of £5. All money raised will be used to fund medals and trophies for our ongoing School's Challenge Quizzes.

If you are interested in helping, please provide the School Office with your name. Thank you.

Primary School Admissions 2022

We would like to inform all parents, guardians and carers of children born between 1st September 2017 and 31st August 2018 that the closing date for applications for Primary School places to be received by the London Borough of Hillingdon, by post or online, is midnight on **Saturday 15th January 2022**. To ensure your application arrives on time and in order to give your child the best possible chance of being offered the school of your choice, we would advise that you submit your applications prior to the Christmas holiday period. The London Borough of Hillingdon states on their website that they cannot be held responsible for any delays in applications due to problems with postal or Internet service providers. Further information can be found on (www.hillingdon.gov.uk/primary) or by telephoning the School Placement and Admission Team at the Civic Centre, Uxbridge on 01895 556644.