

British Science Week – Watch this Space!

On the week commencing Monday 8th March, we celebrated British Science Week powered by the theme 'Innovating for the Future'. As a part of welcoming all the children back to school after the lockdown, there were a variety of entertaining and engaging activities and events centred around the theme across Early Years, Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2. Here are the highlights...

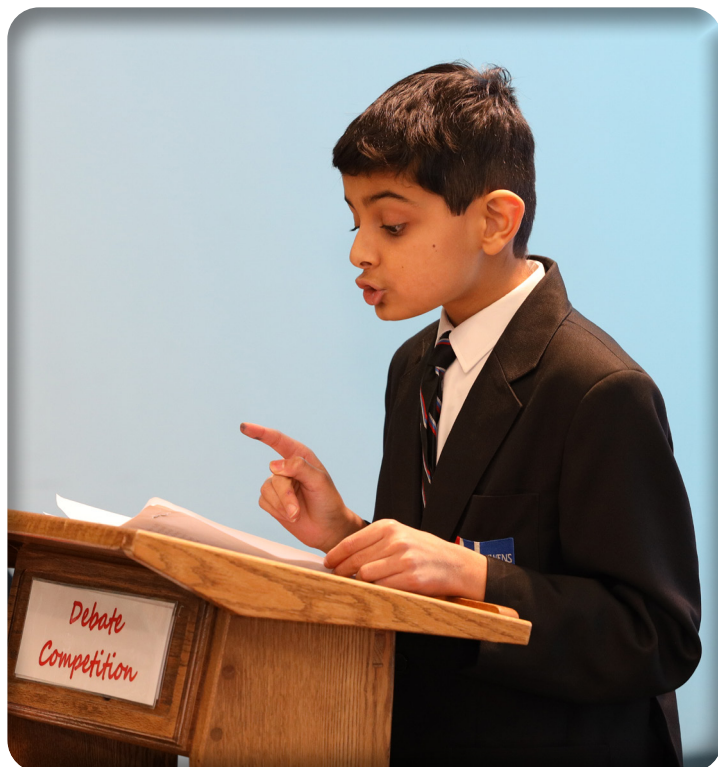
Debate Competitions

Classes in Years 4, 5, 6 participated in a debating competition and challenged each other's moot points on arguments presented based on the following:

- Year 4 - Technology will diminish social interactions and reduce human activities.
- Year 5 - Technology is and will play a prime role in Medical Science.
- Year 6 - Technology in the future will cause more problems than solutions.

Each year group decided which class will present arguments 'for' and 'against' the moot points and it was a challenge for the judges to declare a winner from all the year groups but more so, from the Year 6 debate which ended in a tie.

Congratulations to Ash, Rowan, Oak and Chestnut who came out as the winners and the pupils who were awarded 'Best Speaker' of the debate!



Spelling Bee Competitions



Pupils in Reception to Year 6 were challenged to study and spell scientific vocabulary words that they had learnt in their Science lessons since September 2020. Congratulations to all the winners from each year group.

Year Group	1st Place	2nd Place	3rd Place
Reception	<i>Siem</i>	<i>Kay</i>	<i>Sami</i>
Year 1	<i>Ayan</i>	<i>Bahar</i>	<i>Avi. T</i>
Year 2	<i>Rohan-Jae</i>	<i>Zarni</i>	<i>Ailey</i>
Year 3	<i>Ayesha</i>	<i>Toby</i>	<i>Natalia</i>
Year 4	<i>Hiba</i>	<i>Jeet</i>	<i>Musa</i>
Year 5	<i>Kashbah</i>	<i>Gagan</i>	<i>Sanaa</i>
Year 6	<i>Mandeep</i>	<i>Aman</i>	<i>Ruqayya</i>



School's Challenge Quiz



The classes in each year group faced-off against each other in a nail-biting match of the School's Challenge Quiz. Questions were asked based on the Science Curriculum learnt since September 2020 and pupils had to answer a variety of questions based on the content learnt. Congratulations to all the pupils who spent extra time preparing and studying for the quiz. Here are the winners from each year group.

Year Group	Winners
Reception	<i>Blossom Class</i>
Year 1	<i>Hazel Class</i>
Year 2	<i>Elm Class</i>
Year 3	<i>Pine Class</i>
Year 4	<i>Holly Class</i>
Year 5	<i>Hawthorn Class</i>
Year 6	<i>Oak Class</i>

We will feature other activities in next week's edition of the School Newsletter. **Watch this space!**



Physical Education Days

Please be reminded that pupils should arrive at school in their Physical Education (PE) kits on the day of their PE lesson; they will remain in their PE kits for the whole day and thus are not required to bring in their school uniforms. This change has been made to reduce close proximity to others when changing before and after the lesson.

Year Groups	Day of the Week for PE Class
Reception	Tuesday
Year 1	Monday
Year 2	Wednesday
Year 3, 4 and 5	Friday
Year 6	Thursday

Climb the Mountain Challenge

Last week, children got involved in Week 5 of the Hillingdon Weekly Challenges – Climb the Mountain. We would like to say a huge well done to all the children who participated in the challenge and congratulate those who received Bronze, Silver and Gold. This time round, we had an amazing number of **32** children who scored within the Bronze to Gold bracket.

After the fifth week of the Climb the Mountain challenge, we are currently **2nd** place on the Hillingdon Virtual Challenge Leader board for percentage of pupil participation. **Come on children, let's all get involved and aim for 1st place!**

Rising Stars Assessment Week

Assessment week has been taking place from **Monday 15th March and will continue until Wednesday 24th March**. Therefore, it is extremely important that your child attends school every day and arrives on time. This will assist us further to identify and address any gaps in the children's learning. 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.



**Aldrin
Alliance**




**Columbus
Alliance**



**Garrett-Anderson
Alliance**



**MacArthur
Alliance**

 <h1>MARCH 2021</h1>		
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Monday 15th to Wednesday 24th	Rising Stars Assessment Week	
Monday 22nd	World Water Day	
	World Poetry Day Celebrations	
Friday 26th	Online Asthma Parent Workshop	
Wednesday 31st	End of Term - finishes from 11:30am	
APRIL		
Monday 19th	1:00 to 5:00pm	Parent Consultation
Tuesday 20th	1:00 to 5:00pm	
Wednesday 21st	Start of Term	

World Water Day

Monday 22nd March will be celebrated as World Water Day. Our aim is to ensure that the children understand that water means different things to different people in different settings. By sharing all the different ways water benefits our lives, we can value water properly and safeguard it effectively for everyone at school and in our communities.

World Poetry Day Celebrations

Monday 22nd March will be observed as World Poetry Day at Hewens Primary, although the official date is Sunday 21st March. Our aim is to encourage all the pupils to participate in the oral tradition of poetry recitals which research has shown improves memory. Since it will also be World Water Day, pupils will learn and recite poems about water.

Virtual Asthma Parent Workshop

On **Friday 26th March**, the NHS Team would like to invite parents, guardians and carers to sign up for an online Asthma workshop. This session will run from 2:00 to 3:00pm and is designed to help you understand what to do if your child is having an Asthma attack, providing inhaler techniques and highlight common triggers. There are limited spaces available so if you are interested, please contact the team to **book your place** at (www.myhealthhillingdon.nhs.uk/workshops/).

Parent Consultation Meetings

We would like to inform all parents, guardians and carers of the upcoming dates for Parent Consultation meetings in April 2021. Parent consultation will fall on **Monday 19th and Tuesday 20th April 2021**. We will continue to offer virtual Parent Consultation appointments via your child's Microsoft Teams login.

If your child has Special Educational Needs, you will be asked to meet the teacher face-to-face so that your child's Individual Education Plan (IEP) can be further discussed and signed and have the opportunity to look at your child's progress in their books. You will receive a letter next week with your allocated time slot and other relevant information.

	Week Commencing: <i>Monday 22nd March</i>	
	MENU 2	

MONDAY		
Meal Choice 1	Beef Meatball Pasta Bake	Halal
Meal Choice 2	Beef Meatball Pasta Bake	Non Halal
Meal Choice 3	Vegetable Pasta Bake	Vegetarian
Meal Choice 4	Meatballs with Gluten free Pasta	Gluten/Dairy Free
Dessert Choice	Strawberry Mousse with Fresh Strawberries	Fresh Fruit and Yoghurts
TUESDAY		
Meal Choice 1	Lamb Koftas with Rice and a Yogurt and Cucumber Dip	Halal
Meal Choice 2	Lamb Koftas with Rice and a Yogurt and Cucumber Dip	Non Halal
Meal Choice 3	Creamy Pasta Bake	Vegetarian
Meal Choice 4	Lamb Patty with Rice	Gluten/Dairy Free
Dessert Choice	Chocolate Sponge	Fresh Fruit and Yoghurts
WEDNESDAY		
Meal Choice 1	Baked Jacket Potato with Fillings (sliced chicken, salad, coleslaw, tuna)	
Meal Choice 2	Sweet Potato with Fillings (sliced chicken, salad, coleslaw, tuna)	Vegetarian
Meal Choice 3	Baked Jacket Potato with Salad and Beans	Gluten/Dairy Free
Dessert Choice	Fruit Tarts	Fresh Fruit and Yoghurts
THURSDAY		
Meal Choice 1	Roast Chicken with Roast Potatoes, Stuffing and Onion Gravy	Halal
Meal Choice 2	Roast Chicken with Roast Potatoes, Stuffing and Onion Gravy	Non Halal
Meal Choice 3	Vegetable Tart	Vegetarian
Meal Choice 4	Roast Chicken with Roast Potatoes and Gluten free Gravy	Gluten/Dairy Free
Dessert Choice	Vanilla Cheesecake	Fresh Fruit and Yoghurts
FRIDAY		
Meal Choice 1	Fish Fingers or Battered Chicken with Oven Baked Potato Wedges	Halal
Meal Choice 2	Fish Fingers or Battered Chicken with Oven Baked Potato Wedges	Non Halal
Meal Choice 3	Vegetable and Cheese Pasta Bake	Vegetarian
Meal Choice 4	Gluten free Fish Fingers with Gluten free Potato Wedges and Beans	Gluten/Dairy Free
Dessert Choice	Apple Pie	Fresh Fruit and Yoghurts
<i>Please note that all main meals are served with Fresh Vegetables of the Day</i>		

End of Term - Wednesday 31st March

Parents, guardians and carers are reminded that Wednesday 31st March is the last day of term. Children will be dismissed at staggered times starting from 11:30am. Please see below for times:

Year Group	Pick-Up Time
Nursery AM	11:30am
Years 2 and 6	12:00pm
Years 1, 3 and 5	12:15pm
Reception and Year 4	12:30pm

Please note that afternoon Nursery will not be open on this day.

6R Award for being 'Responsible'

AM ACORNS <i>Raza</i>	PM ACORNS <i>Hamdan</i>	BLOSSOM <i>Jad</i>	CHERRY <i>Ashwaaq</i>
HAZEL <i>Alexandra</i>	MAPLE <i>Aryan</i>	ELM <i>Isaiah</i>	WILLOW <i>Antonia</i>
BEECH <i>Osheli</i>	PINE <i>Kyanna</i>	ASH <i>Sai</i>	HOLLY <i>Karys</i>
HAWTHORN <i>Imanni</i>	ROWAN <i>Maisie</i>	CHESTNUT <i>Prabhgun</i>	OAK <i>Aman</i>