

## Multiplication Timetables Check Cup Final



At the beginning of the month, our Year 4 pupils took part in Emile's Multiplication Timetables Check Cup Final and 9 of our pupils placed in the top 100! Join us in saying a big well done to these pupils for achieving top scores.

## Plants Lifecycle



Over the term, the Year 3 pupils have been learning about plants and their lifecycle. They set up a practical investigation to explore germination using kidney beans, to learn which conditions are best for them to grow from a seed into a young plant or a seedling.

Pupils used magnifying glasses to explore the inside of the seed so that they could understand how it germinates – from the inside out. They will use their scientific skills to measure and record their observations in a table, and draw a simple line graph showing its growth weekly.

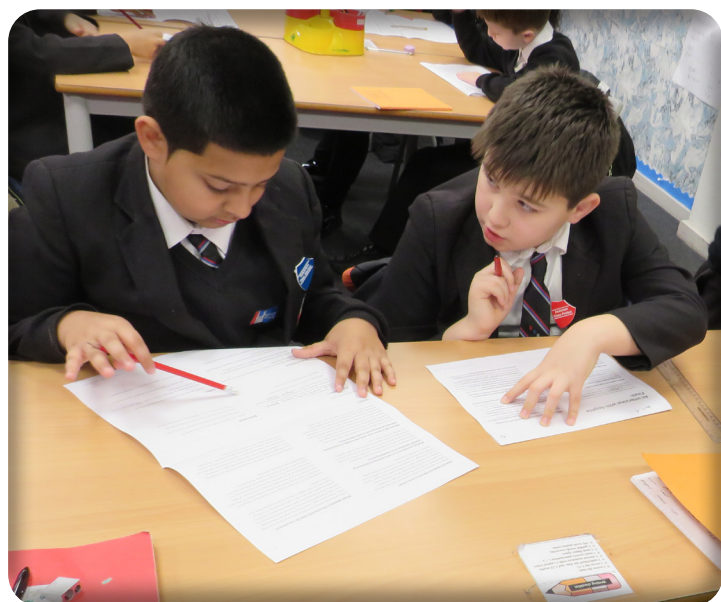
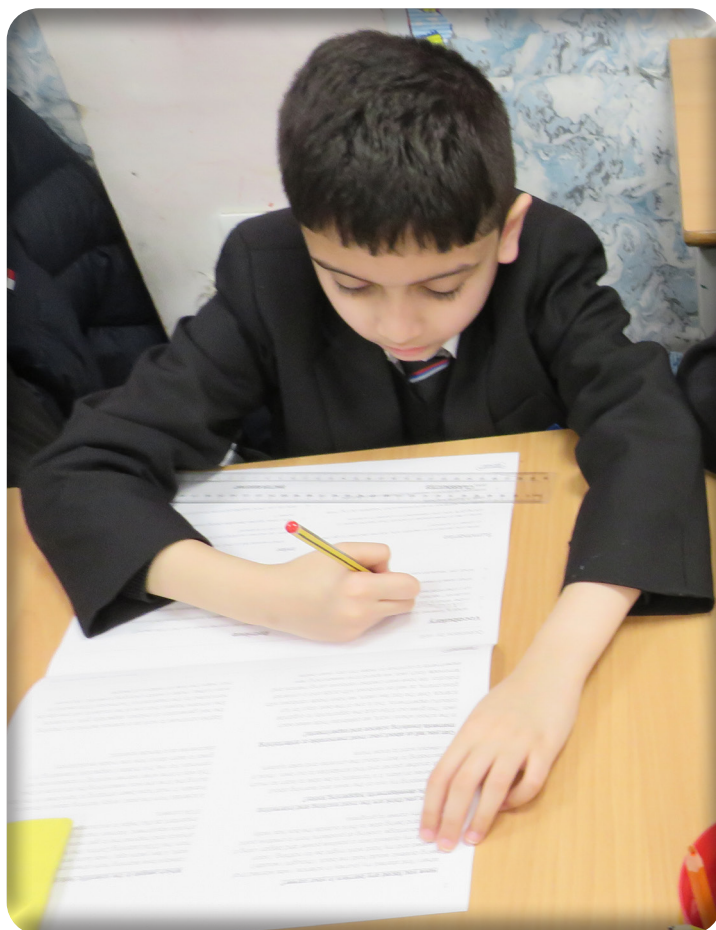




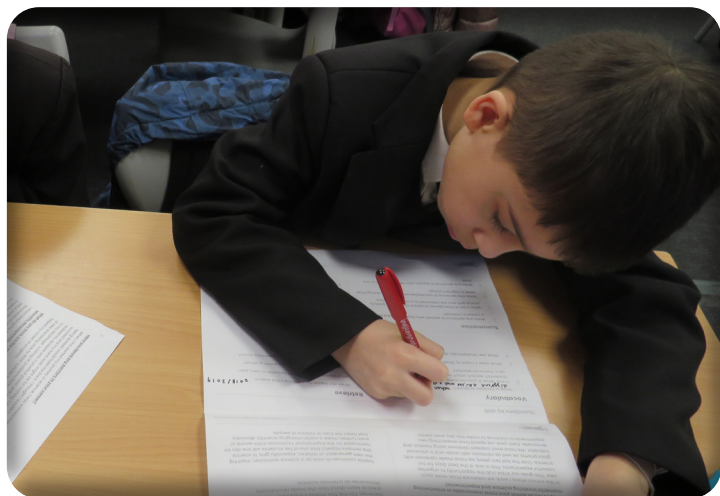
## Tooth Decay Experiment



Our Year 4 super scientists carried out an experiment to investigate if sugary drinks cause tooth decay. They used eggs to represent their teeth, as the shell of an egg is made of a similar substance to tooth enamel. The eggs were placed in different drinks including water and placed aside in a safe place for several days. The scientists then recorded their findings and saw if their predictions were correct or not. Overall, it was an informative and fun-filled experience!







### Enrichment Clubs – Spring Term

Enrichment clubs will continue for the term and will be held on Wednesdays and Thursdays each week until Wednesday 20th and Thursday 21st March. All. If you are unsure about which group your child is in, please contact the School Office. **All clubs will start straight after dismissal and will finish at 4:30pm.**

### Incredible Eggs



**Coming Soon!**

A truly unforgettable  
10 day experience...



**We are going to hatch some ducklings!**

Our eggs arrive on: **Monday 4th March**

They will be hatching around: **Thursday 7th March**

The ducklings will be leaving us on: **Thursday 14th March**



## Parent Carer Support

Raising children doesn't come with a handbook, and sometimes knowing who to reach out to for support or advice is tricky. Brilliant Parents and the Stronger Families Key Working team are offering a friendly and informal drop-in for parents/carers of 0-18 year olds and 0-25 year olds for those with SEND.



We'll be there for a chat, to share advice, support and a range of information in relation to parenting, and mental and emotional wellbeing for all the family.

2024	Harefield Children's Centre High Street, Harefield UB9 6BT	Uxbridge Family Hub Civic Centre, High Street, Uxbridge UB8 1UW	Hayes Family Hub College Way, Hayes UB3 3BB
	Wednesdays 1-3pm	Fridays 5-7pm	Fridays 10am - 12pm
March	6th	8th	15th
April	3rd	12th	19th
May	1st	10th	17th
June	5th	14th	21st
July	3rd	12th	19th
August	7th	16th	23rd
September	4th	13th	20th

For more information contact Sarah on:  
07495 024 449 or  
sarah.rust@brilliantparents.org

Our goal is to empower parents to feel safe, strong and healthy, whilst building resilience and confidence in your parenting decisions, with the support of a community network.

### Term Dates - 2024 to 2025

#### AUTUMN TERM 2024

**Staff Training:** **Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2024**  
(Half day) [Training – morning only]  
[Parent Consultation – afternoon and early evening]

**Staff Training:** **Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2024**  
(Half day) [Training – morning only]  
[Parent Consultation – afternoon and early evening]

**Term Begins:** **Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2024 (All year groups)**

**Half Term:** **Monday 28<sup>th</sup> October to Friday 1<sup>st</sup> November 2024**

**Term Ends:** **Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2024**

#### SPRING TERM 2025

**Staff Training:** **Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2025**  
(Half day) [Training – morning only]  
[Parent Consultation – afternoon and early evening]

**Staff Training:** **Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2025**  
(Half day) [Training – morning only]  
[Parent Consultation – afternoon and early evening]

**Term Begins:** **Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2025**

**Half Term:** **Monday 17<sup>th</sup> to Friday 21<sup>st</sup> February 2025**

**Term Ends:** **Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April 2025**

#### SUMMER TERM 2025

**Staff Training:** **Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2025**  
(Half day) [Training – morning only]  
[Parent Consultation – afternoon and early evening]

**Staff Training:** **Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2025**  
(Half day) [Training – morning only]  
[Parent Consultation – afternoon and early evening]

**Term Begins:** **Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> April 2025**

**Bank Holiday:** **Monday 5<sup>th</sup> May 2025 (May Day)**

**Half Term:** **Monday 26<sup>th</sup> to Friday 30<sup>th</sup> May 2025**

**Term Ends:** **Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2025**

<div></div> <h1>MARCH TO APRIL 2024</h1>		
MARCH		
Monday 4th to Thursday 14th	Incredible Eggs	
Monday 4th to Friday 15th	Fairtrade Fortnight	
Thursday 7th	World Book Day (Themed Day)	
Friday 8th	International Women's Day	
Friday 8th to Sunday 17th	British Science Week	
Monday 18th to Friday 22nd	Practice Papers - Year 1 Phonics and Year 6 SATs	
	Shakespears Week	
Wednesday 20th and Thursday 21st	Last Days of Enrichment Clubs	
Thursday 21st	World Poetry Day	
Thursday 21st	Junior Citizens Event - Year 6	
Friday 22nd	World Water Day	
Wednesday 27th	Easter Bonnet Showcase	
Thursday 28th	End of Term (Early Dismissal)	
APRIL		
Monday 15th	1:00 to 5:00pm	Parent Consultation Meetings
Tuesday 16th		

### Fairtrade Fortnight – Year 6 Assembly

On Monday 11th March, the Year 6 children will be hosting an assembly for their peers about Fairtrade. They have been working on designing a T-shirt to wear during the assembly to highlight key points on the topic.

### World Book Day – Themed Day

In celebration of World Book Day, all children have been invited to choose their favourite book and dress up for the day as a character from that book on Thursday 7th March. We are encouraging all children to be creative and make their own costumes using old clothes or recyclable goods. We respectfully request a donation on this day; all money raised will go towards the funding of more books for our school library. We look forward to seeing our most-loved book characters come to life on this day!

### International Women's Day

International Women's Day is a day to celebrate the acts of courage and determination of empowering women, whose remarkable achievements have played an extraordinary role in the history of their nations. It is a day dedicated to honouring the contributions of such women who have made a difference through their resolve, sacrifices and their part in the advocacy of women's rights. On Tuesday 5th March, Hewens Primary School will be welcoming Anna Hampshire – Premier League Primary Stars Coordinator, who will be hosting a special assembly focusing on International Women's Day. This year, they are working alongside the QPR Women's Team who are looking to allocate complimentary tickets to the QPR Women's match at Loftus Road on 10th March. **Tickets will be allocated on a first come, first serve basis and all parents have been sent the link to register their interest for these tickets.**

	Week Commencing: <i>Monday 4th March</i>
	<b>MENU 2</b>

<b>MONDAY</b>		
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
<b>TUESDAY</b>		
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
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>		
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
<b>THURSDAY</b>		
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
<b>FRIDAY</b>		
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>		

### British Science Week

Friday 8th to Sunday 17th March will be observed as British Science Week under the theme, 'Time. Across the School, children will be guided to link Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) to the curriculum subjects and to their background, lives and interests. In addition, there will be various school competitions such as Spelling Bees, Debates, Poster competitions and School's Challenge Quiz. Lots of awards, Alliance points and certificates to be won, so get involved!

### Change to Term Dates – 2023 to 2024

<b>Staff Training:</b> (Half day)	<b>Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April 2024</b> [Training – morning only] [Parent Consultation – afternoon and early evening]
<b>Staff Training:</b> (Half day)	<b>Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> April 2024</b> [Training – morning only] [Parent Consultation – afternoon and early evening]
<b>Term Begins:</b>	<b>Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> April 2024</b>
<b>Bank Holiday:</b>	<b>Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May 2024 (May Day)</b>
<b>Half Term:</b>	<b>Monday 27<sup>th</sup> to Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May 2024</b>
<b>Term Ends:</b>	<b>Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2024</b>

Please note the last day of term for this academic year has been changed to **Friday 19th July 2024**. The last day will be an early dismissal where children will be dismissed at 12:00pm. The 2023 to 2024 term dates are detailed on our website and can be accessed via [[www.hewensprimary.co.uk/term-dates](http://www.hewensprimary.co.uk/term-dates)].