

## Mini London Marathon



From Monday 26th to Friday 30th of October, our school participated in the Mini London Marathon. The event saw the children complete a distance of 2.6 miles! More than 500,000 children in schools across the UK participated in the event! What a great way to inspire children to be active! Let's hope we can have more children participating next year!





### Uxbridge – Here we come!



The Year 2 Geography topic this term is Uxbridge – Here we come! The topic involved studying Uxbridge and the surrounding areas. They studied the buildings in Uxbridge and talked about how to improve them. The kids then used clay in Design and Technology to construct new structures that they believed would improve Uxbridge. They used skills like planning and designing, using the proper equipment, and communicating their thoughts with their peers.





## Holiday Requests During Term Time

Children's absence during term time will only be approved in exceptional circumstances. Any planned term time leave of absence, must be requested in writing to the Headteacher prior to any travel arrangements being made. In such circumstances, please contact the School Office and request a Leave of Absence Form, which must be completed and returned to the School Office prior to the absence.

### Evidence is required to support the request.

You will be notified if your request is approved as soon as possible. If the absence is not approved but taken, it will be recorded as unauthorised. Please be aware that unauthorised absences could result in the issue of a fixed penalty fine and/or prosecution by the Local Authority. If you have any questions or require any further information about this procedure, please contact the School Office. Thank you.

## Black History Month – October 2022

Black History Month is the annual celebration and commemoration of moments in history, achievements and contributions that Black people have made. First brought to the UK in the 1980s,

Black History Month was initially introduced to the country by a member of the Greater London Council, Akyaaba Addai Sebo. Since 1987, Black History Month has been celebrated annually in the UK, to eradicate discrimination and encourage racial equality.

At Hewens Primary School, we will be honouring the contributions made to society by people of Black heritage and their communities. On Friday 21st October, we will host a special celebration assembly at 2:00pm in the Quad Area to commemorate Black History Month.

## World Space Week

The theme for World Space Week 2022 is 'Space and Sustainability'. World Space Week is the largest space-themed event on Earth, which runs from Tuesday 4th to Monday 10th October. It is a celebration of space science and technology that will improve conditions for humans on Earth. As a school, we will celebrate World Space Week and explore how space and sustainability help our lives every day.

## World Mental Health Day

Monday 10th October is celebrated as World Mental Health Day. On Monday 10th October, all schools will be raising awareness for this international day.

In Personal, Social, Health and Economic education (PSHE), our major focus will be to raise awareness about good mental health, how to turn negative thoughts into positive ones and how important it is to have a positive attitude.

## Fun Clubs Begin

From the week commencing Monday 3rd October, we will be starting our Fun Clubs again. All clubs will be held on Wednesdays and Thursdays each week and will run until Wednesday 30th November and Thursday 1st December. Your child should have given you a letter with the choice of clubs for you to complete and return to the School Office. Please note we have designed a system of two groups for sports club only. Below highlights the dates each group will run over the course of the autumn term.

Group One: Thursday 6th October 2022 till Thursday 3rd November 2022

Group Two: Thursday 10th November 2022 till Thursday 1st December 2022

**All clubs will start straight after dismissal and will finish at 4:30pm.**

## Early Essence Training

Parents, guardians and carers of children in Nursery and Reception are invited to an Early Essence Training Workshop on Tuesday 18th October for Nursery Parents and Wednesday 19th October for Reception Parents. All workshops will take place at 9:00am in the Computer Suite area.

## Odds Farm Park – Year 1 Trip

On Friday 21st October, the Year 1 children will be attending the Odds Farm Park in High Wycombe. We would like to remind parents, guardians and carers that the reply slip and payment for the Odds Farm Park are due by Friday 14th October.

**All payments should be made through your child's iPayimpact account.**

## School Photographs – Individual Photographs Received

The individual school photograph proofs have now been received by the School and have been provided to each child to take home this week.

Orders will be limited to online ordering only, directly to Fraser Portraits via ([https://orderphotos.co.uk/school\\_downloads](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 **Monday 31st October** in order to receive free delivery back to the School. 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.

 <b>OCTOBER TO NOVEMBER 2022</b>		
OCTOBER		
Saturday 1st to Monday 31st		Black History Month
Tuesday 4th to Monday 10th		World Space Week
Monday 10th		World Mental Health Day
Tuesday 18th	9:00am	Early Essence Workshop for Nursery Parents
Wednesday 19th	9:00am	Early Essence Workshop for Reception Parents
Friday 21st	Odds Farm Park - Year 1 Trip	
	End of Term	
Monday 24th to Friday 28th		Half Term Holidays
Monday 31st		Hearing and Vision Screening - Reception
NOVEMBER		
Thursday 4th	9:15am	Pinning Ceremony
Friday 11th		The Look Out Discovery Centre - Year 3 Trip
Wednesday 16th		Museum of Farnham - Year 6 Trip (Chestnut Class)
Thursday 17th		Museum of Farnham - Year 6 Trip (Oak Class)

## Applying for Secondary School September 2023

We would like to inform all parents, guardians and carers of children born between 1st September 2011 and 31st August 2012 that the closing date for applications for Secondary School places to be received by the London Borough of Hillingdon, by post or online, is **Monday 31st October 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 no later than Friday 21st October to ensure that it is received by the published deadline. You can apply for your child's secondary school at (<https://www.hillingdon.gov.uk/secondary>). You will have received information with regard to applying for your child starting secondary school. If you did not receive this information, please speak to the School Office.

## Primary School Admissions 2023

We would like to inform all parents, guardians and carers of children born between 1st September 2018 and 31st August 2019 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 **Sunday 15th January 2023**. 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 (<https://www.hillingdon.gov.uk/primary>) or by telephoning the School Placement and Admission Team at the Civic Centre, Uxbridge on 01895 556644.

	Week Commencing: <i>Monday 10th October</i>	
	<b>MENU 2</b>	

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>		

## Healthy Packed Lunches

We would like to thank all our families who continue to provide their children with a healthy and nutritious packed lunch. Please be reminded that we are a healthy eating school and that the following items are not permitted in packed lunches:

- Nuts
- Chocolate/chocolate biscuits, sweets or doughnuts
- Large packets of crisps
- Fizzy drinks

Thank you for your continued support.

## Physical Education (PE)

Please be advised 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.

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