

Have a happy half term

Dear Community,

Thank you for all of your support, feedback and most of all, for welcoming me into the community so warmly. I hope you have a great half term and we will see all the children back on Monday 29th October at 8.55am.



Join our Governing Board

We currently have a single vacancy for a Parent Governor, for which we'd like to recruit this term. Governors will be in touch after half term to formally begin the process. Should we receive more than one application, an election will be held and all current parents/carers will be invited to vote.

Please consider standing. The only qualification needed is that you're a current parent/carer at the school. Otherwise, a passion for the education of our students, as well as some time out of school hours are the only essentials. Full training and ongoing support is provided.

When we launch the process, there'll be more about the responsibilities and expectations of our Governors.

Dan Salem
Chair of Governors

Come and talk to me about my learning:

Open classrooms and an opportunity to look at your child's learning, talk with your class teacher and from 5.00pm to 6.00pm talk with leaders, governors and key staff.

For parents unable to attend please contact your class teacher to arrange a different time to discuss your child's learning.

For further information on the parent/teacher meetings please refer to the website from Monday 27th October. A detailed email will also be sent to clarify this information, as requested.

EYFS Families

7.11.18

Parents' session and 'Special Book' look - Wednesday 7th November 3.30 - 5.00pm.

Y1-Y6 Families

7.11.18

Parents' Evening: Classrooms open from 3.30 - 5.00pm. Children will present their learning from this half term. Come and talk to the children and teachers and see their books.

Children with Additional Needs

W/B: 29.10.18

Sarah has been in touch with you to set a time for your Structured Parent Conversation (SPC), as outlined in your recent letter.

We want to see your 'Spooktacular' Halloween Pumpkins!

THE GREAT HALLOWEEN PUMPKIN CARVING COMPETITION

To enter grab a pumpkin, carve your design and send us a picture, and you could be in with a chance of winning a selection of fantastic board games.

Entries should be emailed to pumpkins@abmcatering.co.uk by no later than Friday 2nd November. Remember to include your name and the name of your school.

The winner will be drawn on Friday 9th November.

Design it. Carve it. Snap it!



Visit to Ally Pally to meet Rhodes Avenue School and Hari Bear.

Some of our school councillors walked to Alexandra Palace to meet Rhodes Avenue School children and collect Hari Bear to take back to our school.

Hari bear has been to most of the schools in the Borough of Haringey and the 'trail' started last week at Coleraine Park School in Tottenham. Each school receives Hari Bear and then some children walk to their neighbouring school to hand him on. So far he has travelled right across the Borough of Haringey.

Hari's name represents **H**ealthy - **A**ctive - **R**esponsible - **I**ndependent and is part of the School Travel Plan initiative and coincides with International Walk to School Month.

We had great fun and enjoyed our walk and treasure hunt that we participated in with Haringey's School Travel team at the Palace.

Other news:

Visit from People's Dispensary for Sick Animals (PDSA)

On Wednesday (4th October) and Thursday (5th) we had a visit from Michelle who works at the PDSA. She held assemblies for KS2 and KS1 and then facilitated workshops with Years 4 and 5 and the Reception classes. The focus, for this visit, was about care for our pets and safety around animals and what signs to look out for when approaching animals that are unknown to them.

The children were really interested in her talk and there were PLENTY of questions for her at the end of her assemblies and workshops. Lots of children had stories about their own or family pets and Michelle was very impressed by their knowledge and enthusiasm for the topic.

This year's school councillors (whose members last year requested the visit) have decided that they would like to donate to the charity as part of their fundraising project this year. We hope that your child told you about it all! Apologies to Year 6 pupils, who missed the presentation, but you were having a great time on the Isle of Wight.

Helen Hattersley





EYFS updates:

My name is Helen Hattersley and I am the Early Years (Red and Ruby classes) leader.

This year I will be working on Wednesdays and Thursdays. Our team is dedicated to ensuring that your child has settled into their class happily and confidently.

We are all looking forward to another exciting and interesting year together and I welcome you to our Reception classes and our school.

Warm regards,

Helen Hattersley



First half term report for 2018

We are thoroughly enjoying meeting our new children in Red and Ruby classes.

The settling in process has been very successful and most children manage to leave their parents and enter the classrooms happily and with enthusiasm. Lots of parents have mentioned how excited their children have been when coming to school and this is lovely to hear.

Toby (Red class teacher), Grace (Ruby class teacher) and myself held a 'Meet the Teacher' meeting on Wednesday 4th October where we explained the routines, procedures and curriculum for the coming year.

It was great to see so many parents and carers at that meeting- we had to find more chairs for everyone!

Our power point presentation is on the website and you should all have received a pack of useful information. Please let us know if you have not received this. If you could not attend the meeting then it will have been placed in your child's book-bag.

There is a display explaining a bit more about the seven areas of learning that underpin the Early Years curriculum as you enter the door to the Reception classes.

If it is not too crowded in the morning in the cloakroom area, then please take time to look at it.



Pumpkin celebrations

Bring in a decorated pumpkin on Tuesday 31st October.

Optional: bring in a donation and fundraise for dressing up costumes for Reception and Year 1.

31st October 2018

Heads Up:

Dress up for Halloween

Send your child to school dressed up ready for some trick or treating!

Bake Sales and Ice Lolly Fridays:

Friday 12 th October 18	Y1 Bake Sale	Friday 9 th November 18	Y2 Bake Sale
Friday 23 rd November 18	Y3 Bake Sale	Friday 18 th January 19	Y4 Bake Sale
Friday 8 th February 19	Y5 Bake Sale	Friday 8 th March 19	Reception Bake Sale
Friday 29 th March 19	Y6 Bake Sale	Friday 3 rd May 19	Y2 Bake Sale
Friday 17 th May 19	Y4 Bake Sale	Friday 7 th June 19	Ice Lolly Day
Friday 14 th June 19	Y5 Bake Sale	Friday 21 st June 19	Ice Lolly Day
Friday 28 st June 19	Ice Lolly Day	Friday 5 th July 19	Ice Lolly Day
Friday 12 th July 19	Y1 Bake Sale	Friday 19 th July 19	Ice Lolly Day

Dates for SPA events 2018/19

AGM	<i>Weds 10th October</i>	<i>7.00pm</i>	<i>Junior Hall</i>
Fireworks	Thursday 1 st November SPA Committee	5pm	Junior Playground Hall/Kitchen
Xmas Fair	Saturday 1 st December Year 1 <i>(Music Evening Friday 8th February – to be arranged via Yvonne)</i>	12 – 3pm	Junior/Infant Hall
Quiz Night	Saturday tbc March Year 2	7.30pm	Junior Hall
Jumble and Bike Sale	Saturday 27th April Years 4 & 5	11 – 2pm	Junior Hall and Playground
Sponsored Walk	Sunday 12 th May SPA Committee	11 - 2pm	Infant Playground
Summer Fair	Saturday 22 nd June Year 3	12 - 3pm	Junior Playground and Hall if raining
Penny Competition	Friday 5 th July Reception (Subject to change re: Y6 things and sports days)	9am	Junior and Infant Playgrounds

Information and reminders

Secondary School Applications

Please don't forget that secondary school applications must be made by 31 October 2018. Applications should be made online or you can collect a paper copy from Haringey Admissions in Wood Green – we do not have paper copies at school. If you have any problems please speak to the school office and we will try and help.

Applications received late go to the bottom of the waiting list so it's important not to miss the closing date.

LOST PROPERTY AND PACKED LUNCH CONTAINERS

Please remind your children to bring their packed lunch containers home today – Friday 19 October. Also, please check the lost property containers that are overflowing and take home anything that belongs to you.

Anything left at school will be put in the TRAIID BIN outside the main entrance and the lunch containers will be thrown away.

HEAD LICE

Please could all parents/carers take the opportunity at half term to check their child's head for lice. If everyone ensures that their child is checked, and treated appropriately if needed, it might help stop the spread of these unwelcome visitors. Thank you for your support with this.

World Diabetes Day is on

WEDNESDAY 14 NOVEMBER 2018

The school is joining in to raise awareness of the condition and to help raise funds to support medical research.

Around the world people will be celebrating the unsung heroes who support people with diabetes every day.

We would love it if children could dress as their favourite super hero or unsung hero on that Wednesday; if they would like to bring in a £1 to help raise funds that would be wonderful.

CHANGING LUNCH OPTIONS?

If you want to change your child's lunch option (school dinner or packed lunch) please make sure you let the school know as we do ask you to commit to half term of whatever option you choose.