

October 2nd 2026

This week at Harewood

Turquoise Class have been very creative this week. They have all created a moving 'Runaway Pancake' picture in D&T and made puppets to go with the characters in our new story making. In PE, the children have been practising ball skills and learning about the importance of warming up and cooling down. In maths, Year One have begun to learn more about addition and Reception have been learning about the number three. This week in

Blue Class the children have been learning the story of 'The Runaway Pancake' and the Year 1 children wrote descriptions of the characters using adjectives. The Reception children learned to say, recognise and write the sounds e, f, l, and h. In Design Technology the children made a moving picture of the runaway pancake using a slider and split pin. They were very proud of the results and hoped you liked them too. In science, the children explored their sense of taste and the Year 1 children tried a variety of different things to stimulate their taste buds. In maths, the Year 1 children have been introduced to part, part whole bar models and have been exploring the number sentences they can write using the



information in the bar model. Reception have met number 3 in its triangular house and have explored finding, writing and counting to 3 as well as finding 1 more and 1 less than 3. In **Lilac Class** this week, the Reception children have continued to learn new sounds and this week, they have focused on the sounds e, l, h and r. They have enjoyed learning to orally retell the story of, 'The Runaway Pancake' and have come up with some great actions to go along with the story. The Reception children have been

learning all about the number 3 and have practiced recognizing the number, counting 3 objects, forming the number and finding one more or less than 3. The Year One children have been learning about fact families and have been using bar models to write simple addition sentences. In DT, the Year 1 children practiced their cutting and juicing skills before tasting different fruits and then designing and making their own smoothies. Reception children also enjoyed tasting fruits and exploring cutting using playdough. The children have all enjoyed learning about ways to calm down and relax; they particularly enjoyed learning new yoga poses!

Yellow Class have had another fabulous week! In English, the children enjoyed describing the characters from The Runaway Pancake, using lots of interesting and imaginative describing words. Reception practised forming the letters f, e, l and h, while Year One worked hard to write their character description ideas in their books. In maths, Year One explored the part-part-whole model and found lots of different ways to make a number, while Reception focused on the number 3. In science, we had lots of fun exploring our senses of taste and touch, making some interesting discoveries along the way! During PE, we practised our benchball skills, working on our throwing, catching and teamwork. In music, the children got creative by changing the lyrics of well-known nursery rhymes to match our topic. This week in **Green Class**, the children have had great fun learning about story making through *The Runaway Pancake*. Reception have continued to work hard in phonics, learning some new sounds and practising their reading and writing. In science, we continued our learning about the senses by exploring **taste** and thinking about how our tongues help us to experience different flavours. We have also been very creative this week! In art, the children enjoyed painting their clay pots, adding colour and detail to their creations. In DT, they completed their fantastic moving pictures and were very proud of the finished results.



What a busy week we have had in **Red Class**! The children wrote diary entries as Charlie Bucket, describing their exciting chocolate factory experience. They thought carefully about Charlie's feelings, used time words and wrote in the past tense. In maths, the children have been subtracting using the column method. In geography, the children learned about Fairtrade and created colourful posters to share what they had discovered. In art, the children learned about the amazing artist Carl Warner and explored how he creates artwork using food. It has been another wonderful week in **Orange Class**. In writing, we have been writing diary entries as Charlie Bucket, about his day at the Chocolate Factory. In maths, we have started



learning about subtraction and we have practised counting back. In science, we have been learning about the life cycle of a butterfly. We had lots of fun at Forest School, where we used sticks, bark and leaves to make our own artwork. We played lots of different games in PE and in RE, we learned about being peaceful. We then made friendship hands in PSHE and talked about how to be a good friend. We have also looked at the importance of Fairtrade in geography, where we made some amazing posters. What a lovely week we have had in Orange Class! We have all worked hard and

had lots of fun. This week in **Pink Class** the children have been writing in the style of a diary entry, sharing their adventure of visiting Willy Wonka's chocolate factory. In maths we have begun to revisit subtraction. We have been discussing friendships in PSHE and talked about why we need them and how we can overcome obstacles within them. In computing we have thought about the different forms technology can take and in science we have compared the life cycles of animals and humans.

Termly Value

Responsibility is our value for this term. In this week's celebration assembly, certificates were awarded to Nevaeh, Adalaya, Patryk, Olivia, Nusaibah, Joshua, Harriet and James. Well done for being such great role models!

Reminder to complete The Big Future Survey

If you haven't had a chance to do this yet, it would be great if you could do so. *The Big Future* is a project which is asking children and young people about their lives, their experiences and their hopes for the future. The Children's Commissioner, Dame Rachel De Souza, will be using what children tell her to build a national picture of what matters to children today and to ensure their views are heard by Government. The survey takes just a few minutes to complete with your child and can be accessed here: <https://www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/thebigfuture>

Collections for the Food and Hygiene Bank

Thank you for all your kind donations for Gloucester Food Bank Everything will be collected by the Food Bank in the near future and we will let you know how much we were able to raise. Your support will not only help those in need, but it has also been a great opportunity to teach the children about care, kindness and support for others.

Parent Gym is coming to Harewood!

We're excited to invite our parents and carers to join us for Parent Gym – a FREE, friendly six-week programme full of practical tips, shared experiences and ideas to support family life. It's a lovely opportunity to meet other parents, have a chat and explore ways to help our children thrive. Come along to our taster session to find out more!

Date: Tuesday 3rd November

Time: 9:00am – 9:45am

Place: Harewood Infant School



Everyone is welcome, and there's no pressure to commit to the full programme. Come along, meet Fern and Lorraine and find out what Parent Gym is all about! If you are interested, please complete our short registration form here:

[REGISTRATION FORM](#)

We'd love to see you there!

Forest School

Thursday 8 th October	Turquoise Class Reception only
Friday 9 th October	Pink Class



Dates for your Diary

Wednesday 14 th October	Parent's Evening
Wednesday 21 st October	Nasal Flu Vaccinations
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Menu for the week beginning 5th October

	Hot meals Week 3			Meal deal
	Choice 1	Choice 2	Choice 3	Choice 4
Monday	Cheese and Tomato Pizza with Potato Wedges	Sausage in a roll with Potato Wedges	Jacket potato	Cheese Sandwich
Tuesday	Chicken Noodles with Rice	Vegetable & Five Bean Noodles with Rice	Jacket potato	Tuna Baguette
Wednesday	Roast Chicken with Roast Potatoes	Veggie Sausage with Roast Potatoes	Jacket potato	Egg Baguette
Thursday	Pasta Bolognaise	Vegetarian Mince Bolognaise	Jacket potato	Tuna Wrap
Friday	Fish fingers with Chips	Vegetable Balls with Chips	Jacket potato	Ham Sandwich