

January 30th 2026

This week at Harewood

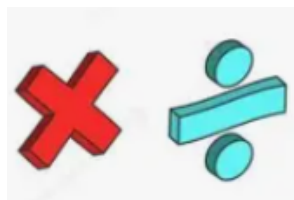
In Turquoise Class, the Year One children have really impressed us with their effort during handwriting lessons this week; they are carefully considering the formation and placement of the letters and applying this to their other writing activities. Reception have been practising Fred Talking and writing words containing special friends. In maths, Year One have continued to explore place value and regrouping two-digit numbers; Reception have been learning about the number 9. They have all been geographers and have looked at different geographical features and how we could describe them. In PE, the children were very excited to get out the equipment and rehearse different balances, seating positions and ways of travelling. In **Blue Class** this week the children have learned a story about The Little Red Runaway Train. In geography, the children looked at different geographical features in the world around them and went on to learn about the four countries of the UK, their capital cities and the seas around them. Year 1 children have been writing a poem about the geographical features they could see from the windows of the Little Red Train whilst the Reception children have continued practising letter formation and writing simple words or sentences. In science, the Reception children explored which materials were absorbent and non-absorbent and what sort of things are made out of them and why. The Year 1 children learned how to identify human made and natural objects. In RE, the children thought about how and why Christians say thank you to God. In maths the Year 1 children have been splitting numbers up to 50 into tens and ones and then adding them together. The Reception children have been exploring number 9 and its nonagon shaped house. In **Lilac Class** this week, the Year 1 children enjoyed talking about some of the geographical features they might see from a train window. The Year Ones wrote lovely poems using interesting adjectives to describe each feature, and the Reception children continued practising applying their phonic knowledge to write simple words and sentences. In history, the children were fascinated to explore Victorian artefacts including; chamber pots, irons, butter pats and storage containers and they handled them very carefully and respectfully. In RE, they learned more about the Creation story and thought about some of the ways in which we can show kindness to the people and animals around us. In DT, the children made moving pictures of aeroplanes using split pins.



This week in **Yellow Class**, the children were geographers! They learned all about the UK and its surrounding seas. They labelled a map of the UK and plotted the countries and their capital cities. The children had a lot of fun in forest school where they were thinking about their senses, particularly their sense of sound. They listened carefully to the sounds around them in nature and beyond. In maths, Reception learned about number 9 and Year One were focusing on tens and ones. The children had lots of fun programming the Bee-bots in computing - their programming skills are becoming more complex! This week in **Green Class**, the Year 1 children have written poems all about geographical features they might spot on a train ride around the UK. All of the children enjoyed creating transport collages in art. They chose whether they wanted to create a collaged background of water, air, train tracks or road and then chose an appropriate vehicle to stick on top. In music, the children explored beat and enjoyed marching round the classroom in time to the beat and then using musical instruments to play along in time to the music. In computing, the children explored Beebots and practised programming them to reach different destinations on a mat.



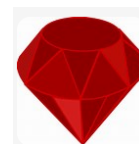
This week in **Red Class**, we have been learning all about instructions and we wrote our own guides for going on a space mission. In history, we learned about Neil Armstrong and his moon landing, and in science we explored waterproof materials. In DT, the children made moving pictures, and in PSHE we continued learning about online safety. Everyone enjoyed creating gymnastics routines in PE, and in maths we returned to multiplication and division. Another great week of learning — well done, Red Class! This week in **Orange Class** the children wrote fantastic



instructions explaining how to go on a space mission. They used bossy verbs, adverbs and time words. In maths, the children practised multiplication and division. In science, they tested how stretchy different materials are and in history, they learned all about the amazing life of astronaut Neil Armstrong and his journey to the moon. This week in **Pink Class** the children have been learning about Neil Armstrong and the moon landing. They created a class time line together, of his major life events. They also explored what life was like in the 1960's when the space landing took place, and created posters in groups, displaying their knowledge. In writing, they have been writing instructions on how to go into space. In maths, we have returned to addition and subtraction and have been focusing on two step calculations.

Termly Value

Tolerance is our value for this term. In this week's celebration assembly, certificates were awarded to Cowyn, Kiera, Paige, Ernie, Maisie, Leba and Evelyn. Pink Class won the attendance cup with over 99% attendance for the week. Yellow, Lilac, Blue and Turquoise Classes all had attendance over 95% so got to play our Classopoly game. Clara from Pink class was our 'In to Win' winner for the week and got to choose a prize from the prize box.



Baby News

We are delighted to share the lovely news that Mr Goodland welcomed a baby girl on Tuesday morning. She weighed 9lb 4oz and has been named **Emma Louisa**. The family are all doing well and are enjoying some special time together.

Socks and Tights

We like to keep a stock of spare socks and tights in school for when children have accidents or get wet on the playground. However, our supplies are running very low! If you have any at home that your child has grown out of, or no longer needs, we would be very grateful for any donations.



Mobile Phones

This week, the government released new guidance on mobile phone use in schools, which makes clear that mobile phones have no place in the school environment and that schools should be phone-free spaces. We fully support this guidance and kindly ask parents and carers to minimise their own mobile phone use while inside the school building or on the playground wherever possible. This is an important message for our children, and it is most effective when they see it consistently modelled by the adults around them. We appreciate your understanding and support as we work together to create a focused and positive environment for all pupils.

National Story telling week

Next week is National Story telling week and the children will be enjoying some story themed activities throughout the week. The theme of the story telling week this year is Story Soundtracks and we will be using musical instruments and body percussion to add sound effects to some of our favourite stories. We would also like to encourage you to share some lovely stories with your child at home if you can.

Forest School

Thursday 5 th February	Turquoise Class
Friday 6 th February	Blue Class



Dates for your Diary

Wednesday 4 th February	Parents' Evening 3.30 – 6.30. Details to follow
Wednesday 11 th February	Parents' Evening 3.30 – 6.30. Details to follow
Thursday 5 th March	Year 2 trip to the Black Country Museum

Menu for the week beginning 2nd February

	Hot meals Week 2			Meal deal
	Choice 1	Choice 2	Choice 3	Choice 4
Monday	Beef Burger in a Bap with Jacket Wedges	Veggie Burger in a Bap with Jacket Wedges	Jacket potato	Cheese Sandwich
Tuesday	BBQ Chicken with Fluffy Rice	Tomato and Basil Pasta	Jacket potato	Tuna Baguette
Wednesday	Roast Gammon & Gravy	Roast Quorn Fillet	Jacket potato	Egg Baguette
Thursday	Minced Beef Pie with Diced Potatoes	Cheese & Tomato Pizza with Baguette Slice	Jacket potato	Tuna Wrap
Friday	Fish fingers with chips	BBQ Mixed Bean Fajita	Jacket potato	Ham Sandwich