

January 16<sup>th</sup> 2026

## This week at Harewood

**Turquoise Class** have enjoyed practising their story making of Mr Gumpy's Motor Car; they are doing a superb job of remembering the words and actions. Year One have thought about the events in the story and have written the characters a thank you letter. In maths, Reception have been learning about the number 7 and Year One have enjoyed learning about doubles and near doubles. All of the children have loved exploring printmaking and have produced some wonderful transport themed prints. In history, the children have looked at different forms of transport and they then thought about ordering them on a timeline. In **Blue Class** this week the Year 1 children wrote captions for the characters in the story, Mr Gumpy's Motor Car. They also wrote a letter from Mr Gumpy thanking everyone for their help when his car was stuck. The Reception children practised letter formation and wrote simple words or sentences. In history, the children learned about transport now and in the past, and in RE they explored the Christian creation story. In science, the children looked at materials and talked about what types of objects are made from them. They also experimented with chocolate to see what would happen when it was heated and cooled. In maths, the Year 1 children have been subtracting numbers to 20 using different methods and the Reception children have been exploring number 7 and its heptagon shaped house. In **Lilac Class** this week, the children have enjoyed learning all



about different geographical features such as; hills, mountains, ports, cities, offices, towns, villages, farms and forests. They learned to recognise them and to talk about whether they were natural or man-made features and the Year 1 children then enjoyed drawing some local examples such as Robinswood Hill or the Morelands Factory. In art, the children learned about tones and shades and then explored this further by applying different amounts of pencil pressure and by hatching and cross hatching. The Year 1 children created some beautiful air balloon art using the skills they had learned. In music, the children learned about musical rhythms and enjoyed using body percussion such as clapping and stamping to match the number of syllables in different transport words

The children in **Yellow Class** enjoyed their week! In our gymnastics lesson, the children had fun in our warm up game. It was a 'traffic light system' game where they had to jog on the spot on 'green', make a star shape for 'amber' and a long shape on 'red'. On the mats, they practised different positions such as pike, tuck and straddle. They also practised pencil rolls and star jumps. In science, we learned about materials and discussed reversible and irreversible changes, such as melting and freezing. Afterwards, we put this theory into practice and melted chocolate to make chocolate nest cakes! The children also enjoyed learning about types of transport over time. This week in **Green Class**, our Year 1 children have been developing their addition and subtraction skills by solving problems up to 20, using near doubles to support their calculations. Reception have been busy learning all about the number 7. In art, the children have enjoyed experimenting with printing, using a variety of objects to create some lovely paintings. In science, they have been learning to identify the difference between an object and the material it is made from.

This week, the children in **Red Class** have been busy working hard and having fun learning. They wrote biographies about Amelia Earhart and included lots of interesting facts. In maths, they used their number knowledge



to solve tricky place value problems. In science, they learned about different materials and why they are used, and in geography and history they found out more about Amelia Earhart using different sources. The children also created some lovely artwork using mark-making techniques.

This week in **Orange Class** the children have written a biography about Amelia Earhart, learning about her life and achievements. In maths, we have been working on place value, helping the children understand the value of digits in a number. In science, we explored different materials where we identified them and discussed their uses in everyday life. In PSHE, we talked about internet safety and learned how to stay safe when sharing information. This week in **Pink Class** the children have been looking down from their imaginary planes at the land below and thinking about the geographical features they can see. We have been writing a biography of Amelia Earhart's life in English and they enjoyed creating art inspired by what they have learned. In maths, they are recapping and deepening their learning about place value. In PSHE, they looked at information they may see online and talked about how they might know if it's reliable. They also learned about what to do if they see something that confuses or upsets them. In PE the children have been practicing rolls and positions they learned in Year One and also learning some new positions and jumps.





## Termly Value

Tolerance is our value for this term. In this week's celebration assembly, certificates were awarded to Elias, Evan, Fox, Priya, Poppy, Edward, Sofiia and Sophie. Orange Class won the attendance cup with 100% attendance for the week. Pink, Lilac, Green and Turquoise Classes all had attendance over 95% so got to play our Classopoly game. Evelyn was our 'In to Win' winner for the week and got to choose a prize from the prize box.

## Paternity Leave

We are pleased to be able to share that Mr Goodland will shortly be beginning paternity leave, with the baby expected any day now! During this time, Mrs Ginwalla will be out of class to ensure the continued smooth running of the school in his absence. This means Mrs Lightfoot will be teaching in Lilac Class at the beginning of the week. Lorraine will also be here full time to help with any family support issues you may have.

## Forest School

Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> January	Lilac Class
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> January	Orange Class



## Dates for your Diary

Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> February	Parents' Evening 3.30 – 6.30. Details to follow
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## Menu for the week beginning 19<sup>th</sup> January

	Hot meals Week 3				Meal deal
	Choice 1	Choice 2	Choice 3	Choice 4	
Monday	Ham, Cheese and Tomato Pizza with Potato Wedges	Mixed Bean Fajita	Jacket potato	Cheese Sandwich	
Tuesday	Pork Sausage and Tomato Pasta	Macaroni Cheese	Jacket potato	Tuna Baguette	
Wednesday	Roast Chicken with Roast Potatoes	Roast Quorn Fillet	Jacket potato	Egg Baguette	
Thursday	Pasta Bolognaise	Vegetarian Mince Chilli with Fluffy Rice	Jacket potato	Tuna Wrap	
Friday	Fish fingers with Chips	Vegetable fingers with Chips	Jacket potato	Ham Sandwich	