

# Hatfield Heath Primary School Newsletter

*"Learners today, leaders tomorrow"*

*Issue 24*



Hello there,

Although the last half term has been short, it has been a busy one.

Our House Teams organised an orange day to raise money for the Myeloma charity and we found our funniest jokes for our big red nose day joke book. Thank you for all your financial support. It is much appreciated.

## Performances

We have shown you our musical skills with a Rocksteady concert, as well as our peripatetic concert where our children showcased their keyboard, guitar, singing and dramatic skills.

The year 3 and 4 children brought a tear to many an eye as they performed a variety of poems: classic, modern and their own during the Poetry Recital.



## Spelling Bee

Nerves ran high on Thursday afternoon, as the children who had reached the final of the Spelling Bee faced one more challenge. A huge well done to those who made it to the final.

The eventual winners were: **Noah, Max, Eros, Jackson, Lexy-Mae and Zeke.**

## Year 2 SATs Meeting

Thank you to all the parents who attended the Year 2 SATs meeting. It is always good to share with parents the expectations that we have of our children and share how the children can be supported at home, so that they go into year 3 well prepared for their next challenge.



Last Friday, teams from year 3 & 4 competed in the David Bown Memorial Rugby tournament at Harlow Rugby Club. Both teams scored memorable victories and were superb throughout. Ultimately, the prize was given for outstanding sporting behaviour - Year 4 took the trophy home for being outstanding in this area. The trophy is in the foyer for all to see!



On Wednesday, 13 children from across KS2 were escorted to Southend for The Essex Cross Country Finals. With over 600 children competing, our runners did superbly, with high finishes across the board. The conditions were awful, but they cheerfully ran through the gales and the hail with much aplomb.

### A little thank you from the House Captains to the PFA

Dear PFA ,

Thank you for all the hard work you've put in to make our school even more fun. Thank you for all the occasions that you have organised : bouncy castles, Easter egg hunt, discos, ice lolly sales mothers and fathers day room, climbing frames, coaches, summer fetes, colour run and general help. If it wasn't for you, we wouldn't have the fun events.

Also thank you for helping us to get started with our charity for Myeloma.

From The House Captains

### House Points Competition

The yellow team have won the House Team competition for this half term!

There was a 10 point difference between 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place.

Yellow team have chosen to have wear your own clothes day, which will be on the first Friday back to school.

1<sup>st</sup> Yellow- 938 points

2<sup>nd</sup> Green- 928 points

3<sup>rd</sup> Red- 856points

4<sup>th</sup> Blue- 784 points

Well done to the Yellow Team!

In assemblies we have been thinking about the meaning behind Easter, considering who Jesus was, what his life was like, what he did and why we celebrate Easter.

Well done to the children who have won our values awards this week.



### Holiday Dates 2026-2027

Please find the dates for the new school year, so that you are able to plan your holidays and ensure attendance is kept high.

Term	Dates
INSET	Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> September 2026
Autumn, Term 1	From Wednesday 2 September 2026 until Friday 23 October 2026
Autumn half term	Monday 26 October 2026 until Friday 30 October 2026
INSET DAY	Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> November 2026
Autumn, Term 2	Monday 2 November 2026 until Friday 18 December 2026
Winter holiday (Christmas)	Monday 21 December 2026 until Thursday 31 December 2026
Spring, term 1	Monday 4 January 2027 until Friday 12 February 2027
INSET DAY	Thursday 21 January 2027
Spring half term	Monday 15 February 2027 until Friday 19 February 2027
Spring, term 2	Monday 22 February 2027 until Thursday 25 March 2027
Easter holiday	Friday 26 March 2027 until Friday 9 April 2027
Early May bank holiday	Monday 3 May 2027
Summer, term 1	Monday 12 April 2027 until Friday 28 May 2027
INSET DAY	Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> May 2027
Summer Half Term	Monday 31 May 2027 until Friday 4 June 2027
INSET DAY	Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> June 2027
Summer Term 2	Monday 7 June 2027 until Wednesday 21 July 2027



We are working hard to improve on our times tables across the school. We are in a race to the top spot with schools within a 5 and 10 mile radius.

5 mile radius	10 mile radius
20 <sup>th</sup> /26 This week	60 <sup>th</sup> /77 This Week
19 <sup>th</sup> /26	58 <sup>th</sup> /77
18 <sup>th</sup> /26	54 <sup>th</sup> /77
22 <sup>nd</sup> /26	54 <sup>th</sup> /77

### Upcoming Dates

15<sup>th</sup> April -Yr 3 Roman workshop

23<sup>rd</sup> April Yr 4 Fire station visit

27<sup>th</sup> April Yr 4 Viking Day

### Overall attendance from September until now:96.7% (-0.1%)

Year 1	96.5% (-0.1)	Year 4	96.7% (-0.1)
Year 2	95.9% (+0.2)	Year 5	97.2% (0.0)
Year 3	97.2% (-0.2)	Year 6	96.4% (-0.4)

### Young Carer- Is your child a Young Carer?

A young carer is anyone under 18 who looks after someone with an illness, disability, mental health needs or substance misuse issues. This may mean helping with personal care, cooking, organising medication, looking after brothers or sisters, or helping with communication and day to day tasks. Many young carers don't realise they're carers or that help is available.

**Just before the holidays, a letter was sent home to help you to identify if you think your child is a young carer. Let us know, so that we can help your child and your family.**

### Getting Support for you and your family

**Sometimes life is difficult and we can struggle with our Mental Health. If you or someone you love is struggling you might want to contact MIND**

[www.MindInWestEssex.org.uk](http://www.MindInWestEssex.org.uk)