WEST ACTON PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER Friday 17th October 2025











Thank you Bri @ealingfoodbank we always love having you visit.

Look at our Harvest from our school vegetable patch!

Thank you for our Foodbank Donations!

Humanities Autumn Half-term Challenge 2025

We challenge you to complete the suggested half-term activity to develop your understanding of your up-coming Humanities topic. All of these places/ activities are FREE.

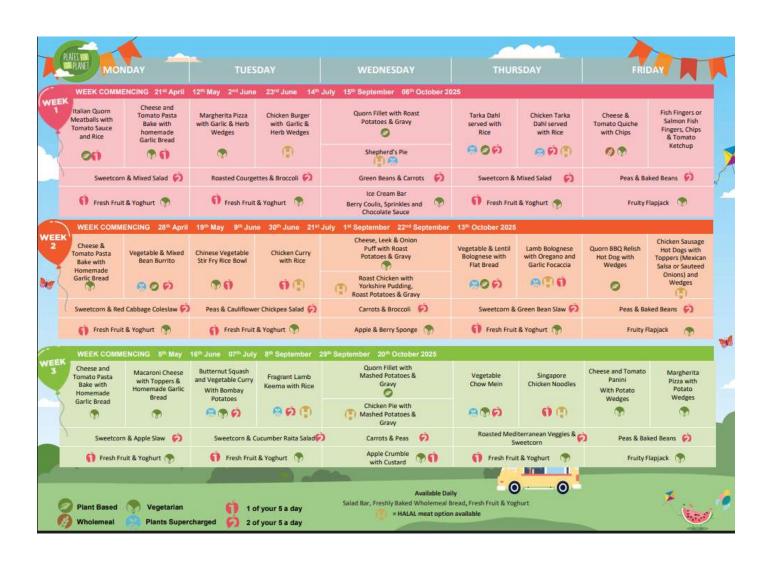
Complete a **1 PAGE** summary of something that interested you most (include writing/drawing/a photo) to be in with a chance of winning a prize after half-term!

Give your entry to your class teacher after half-term (include name/year/class). Have fun!

Year Group	Autumn 2 Humanities Topic	Suggested Autumn Half-term Activity	
Y1	My Local Area	Visit a different park in Acton. What do you like? https://www.gungle.com/maps/searth/parks-in-sector/gip5.5047388. 62752512,142/data=13m334517emry=tuRg_ep=Eens/600MTA/HHARKMIDSA/SA/GA/MSDMSD	
Y2	Seasons	Draw an Autumn picture. What do you like about Autumn?	
Y3	Bronze Age to Iron Age	Visit Mill Hill Gardens in Acton. How does it li to the Bronze Age? https://www.goparks.london/park/mill-hill-gardens/.	
Y4	Extreme Weather	Visit the Natural History Museum. What can you learn about volcanoes and earthquakes? https://www.nhm.ac.uk/visit/willeries.and-museum-map/volcanoes-and-earthquakes.html	
Y5	Rivers (Autumn 1)	Take a walk from Kew Bridge to Hammersmith Bridge. Sketch and discuss your observations. http://www.outdooracline.com/m/pute/bibling-costs/south-east-england/engling-law-bridge-to-hammersmith-initias-3/m-5-like-/255795945/himidab-aast-tabl	
Y6	Protecting the environment	Visit the Science Museum. How can we protect our environment? https://www.sciencemuseum.org.uk/objects-and-stories/our-environment	



Last week in Reception, the children were learning to compare capacity. They had the opportunity to work independently, pouring coloured water into different containers. Through this hands-on activity, the children explored concepts such as more and less, while developing their mathematical understanding and language in a fun and engaging way.



PAYMENTS

Communication – notices/letters and emails



Just a reminder of how we keep you updated



https://www.westactonprimaryschool.org/news-dates/newsletters

FACEBOOK - https://www.facebook.com/westactonpri
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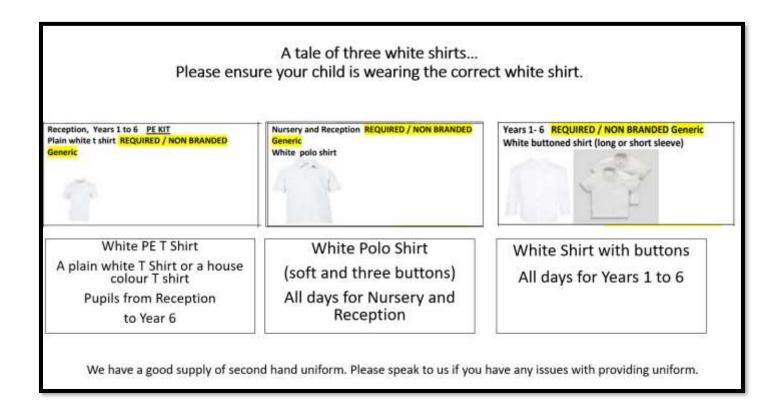
community of lifelong learners. We nurture every child to reach their full potential through an engaging, forward-thinking curriculum and a culture that builds courage, consideration and collaboration. As an aspirational community, our staff, pupils and families grow together—developing digital and emotional intelligence, a strong sense of wellbeing and environmental awareness—ready to make a positive impact on their communities and the wider world.

Please can I remind you to wait until your child is off of the school site before you start giving them food and snacks. As you know we are a healthy school with a sugar smart status.

Please do NOT give your child snacks on site at 3.15pm - especially bags of crisps, cakes, ice lollies and ice cream.

Thank you for your continued help making our school neat and clean.





PE DAYS - come to school in your house colour T shirt

Tuesday	Year 5
Wednesday	Year 1 and Year 3
Thursday	Reception and Year 4
Friday	Year 2 and Year 6

We were very lucky to have T- shirts donated for all our children in July. If your child has out grown their T-shirts please wash and return them so that we can recycle it and give it to another child. If we have another T-shirt we can offer your child one – if not please provide your child with a plain white T-shirt (or purchase another house colour T-shirt yourself).

We hope to replenish T-shirts every two years.



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West Acton Primary School Term Dates 2025 - 2026

Autumn Term 2025				
SCHOOL CLOSED for pupils	Monday 1st - 2nd September - INSET DAYS for staff training 1 and 2			
Start of term for pupils Y1-6 Autumn 1 Term	Wednesday 3 rd September 2025 Wednesday 3 rd September - Thursday 23 rd October			
SCHOOL CLOSED for pupils	Friday 24th October - INSET DAY for staff training day 3			
SCHOOL CLOSED HALF TERM	Monday 27 th - Friday 31 st October			
Autumn 2 Term	Monday 3 rd November - Friday 19 th December			
End of Term	Friday 19 th December at 1.30pm			
SCHOOL CLOSED Holiday	Monday 22 nd December - Friday 2 nd January			
*	Spring Term 2026			
Start of term for pupils Spring 1 Term	Monday 5 th January 2026 Monday 5 th January - Friday 13 th February			
SCHOOL CLOSED HALF TERM	Monday 16 th February - Friday 20 th February			
Spring 2 Term	Monday 23 rd February - Friday 27 th March			
End of Term	Friday 27 th March at 1.30pm			
SCHOOL CLOSED Holiday	Monday 30 th March - Friday 10 th April			
	Summer Term 2026			
Start of Term for pupils Summer 1 Term	Monday 13 th April 2026 Monday 13 th April - Friday 22 nd May			
SCHOOL CLOSED	Monday 4 th May - May Bank holiday			
SCHOOL CLOSED HALF TERM	HALF TERM Monday 25th May - Friday 29th May			
SCHOOL CLOSED for pupils	Monday 1st June - INSET DAY for staff training day 4			
Summer 2 Term	Tuesday 2 nd June - Friday 17 th July			
End of Term	Friday 17 th July at 1.30pm			
SCHOOL CLOSED Holiday Monday 20 th July - INSET DAY for staff training day 5 Tuesday 21 st , Wednesday 22 nd , Thursday 23 rd July - occasion				

















Greetings in Spanish



Hola ¿Cómo estás?

Hello How are you? Buenos días ¿Cómo te llamas?

Good morning What's your name? **Buenas tardes** Gracias Thank you Good afternoon

Adiós **Buenas noches** Good night Bye

¿Cómo estás?



Estoy bien



Estoy así, así



Estoy mal



Estoy fatal

Los números





Year 4 Autumn 1

LOS NÚMEROS

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3 tres
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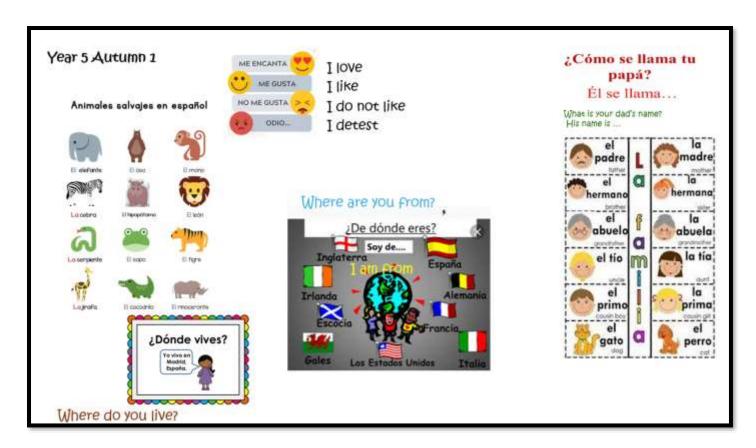


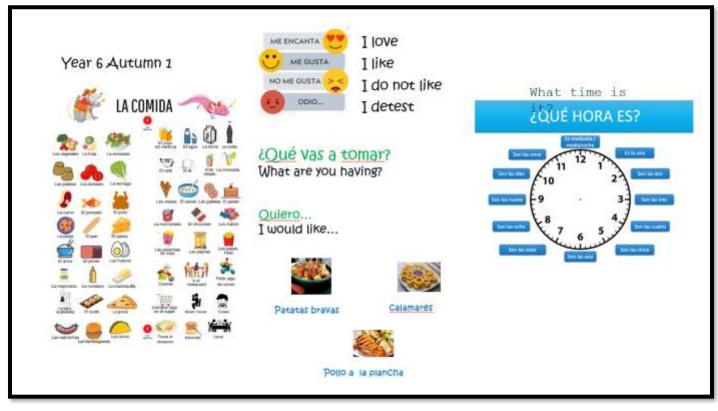






Meses Months
enero January
febrero February
marzo March
abril April
mayo May
Junio June
julio July
agosto August
septiembre September
octubre October
noviembre diciembre December





TIP FROM SCHOOL THERAPIST MRS PEARCE



In recognition of black history month, this week I'm sharing an inspirational black history fact that spreads the message of collaborating and supporting each other when faced with challenges.

The story of braids

Long ago, during slavery in Colombia, people showed great strength and creativity to help one another in difficult times. Women used beautiful braids, not just to style their hair, but also to send secret messages and stay connected with each other. One special braid style, called departes, had tight braids and buns that signalled hope and the desire for freedom. Another braid style, with curved patterns, represented the paths they would follow to safety. These braids became symbols of courage, love, and survival. Sometimes, they even tucked away small things like seeds, preparing for a brighter future after they found freedom.

This story reminds us that even in hard times, people can find hope, work together, and take care of each other in creative ways. Just like these women, we can also face challenges with resilience, compassion and care for those around us.

Let's keep working together and inspire our children to be supportive.

Maria Pearce

Wishing everyone a wonderful weekend – especially our friends and families celebrating Diwali this weekend.

Well done to Elder Class for a fantastic assembly this morning.

We look forward to seeing you at parents' evenings next week.

Miss Kondo

Therapist



WEST ACTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

RECEPTION



For applications for September 2026

OPEN DAYS

Tuesday 4th November 2025 4.00pm to 5.00pm

Wednesday 12th November 2025 9.00am to 10.00am

Please come and visit our
Reception classes and meet our staff







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Noel Road, Acton, W3 0JL
Email or phone to book a place:
admin@west-acton.ealing.sch.uk or 0208 992 3144



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1st September 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

Re: Class Assemblies 2025 - 2026 Reception to Year 5

We hope that parents/carers can join us at 9.00am in the Jubilee Hall. Woodlands ARP pupils will join their main stream classes.

Autumn Term 2025

Class	Date	
Willow	Friday 3rd October	
Quince	Friday 10th October	
Elder	Friday 17th October	
Mulberry	Friday 16th January	
Sycamore	Friday 23rd January	
Pine	Friday 30th January	

Spring Term 2026

Class	Date	
Damson	Thursday 15th January	
Juniper	Thursday 22nd January	
Chestnut	Thursday 29th January	
Guava	Friday 6th February	
Katsura	Friday 13th February	
Ash	Friday 6th March	

Summer Term 2026

Class	Date	
Rowan	Friday 1st May	
Holly	Friday 8th May	
lvy	Friday 15 th May	
Olive	Friday 19th June	
Fir	Friday 26th June	
Banyan	Friday 3rd July	

Yours faithfully, Karen Kondo Headteacher















FREE FAMILY COME & SING IN EALING





Tuesday 28 October
10.30am-12.00pm
Shaw Room, The Questors Theatre
12 Mattock Lane, Ealing
London W5 5BQ



Free half-term singing session for the whole family to enjoy together

TO SIGN UP Scan QR code or visit Iondonyouthchoirs.com



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Tuesday 7th October 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

Re: Ealing's 10-day Active Travel Challenge

Our school is participating in a borough wide 10-day Active Travel Challenge this October to embed healthy habits around active and sustainable travel to and from school. Join us by walking, cycling, scooting or Park & Striding to school from Monday 13th October – Thursday 23rd October

What is the 10-day Active Travel Challenge?

This October we are participating in Ealing's 10-day Active Travel Challenge, as part of Walk to School Month. We challenge you and your children to actively travel to school across all 10 school days to help increase physical activity, reduce congestion, and improve air quality around the school gates. Participating pupils will be awarded a Terri the Tiger sticker. As part of the autumn Challenge, Ealing Council are running a Design a Bookmark competition. Your children will be given the competition entry form at school and these needs to be submitted by Wednesday 22nd October 2025. The overall winner will receive a rucksack with some goodies inside and their school will receive a goody bag. The winning bookmark will be used in the 2026 summer Challenge.

What are the benefits of walking, cycling, scooting or Park & Striding to school?

- Actively travelling to school helps children feel happier and healthier, and they arrive refreshed, fit and ready to learn.
- More families that actively travel to school means fewer cars on the road during the school run, helping to reduce congestion and air pollution, and increase road safety at the school gates.

What if you can't walk all the way to school?

 If you live too far away or do not have time to walk the whole way to school, you can Park and Stride. Park or hop off public transport at least ten minutes away from the school and walk the rest of the way.

What can YOU do?

Join us from Monday 13th October by walking, cycling, scooting or Park & Striding to school with your child and show your commitment to making a cleaner, greener and less polluted route to school.

Yours faithfully,

Miss Murphy Eco Schools and Active Travel Leader















Weekly attendance: WE 10th October 2025				
Acorn		Woodlands		
94.48%		91.14%		
Olive	Banyan	Fir		
99.9% 🔥	94.44%	97.93%		
Ash	Guava	Katsura		
98.28%	98.00%	96.21%		
Damson	Chestnut	Juniper		
95.71%	95.71%	93.93%		
Holly	Rowan	lvy		
97.93%	93.33%	99.26%		
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Mulberry	Pine	Sycamore		
93.45%	87.14%	97.93%		
Willow	Elder	Quince		
92.76%	96.21%	93.79%		
Lime	Tamarind	Zaytouna		
98.93%	97.93%	<u>9</u> 8.93%		





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Dear Parents/ Carers,

Re: October 2025 is Black History Month which we celebrate each year in West Acton.

Now we are in October, we are proud to once again celebrate Black History Month at West Acton Primary School. This special month is an important opportunity for our school community to reflect on the rich history, culture, and contributions of Black people in Britain and around the world.

The theme for Black History Month UK 2025 is "Standing Firm in Power and Pride," a powerful tribute to the resilience, strength, and unwavering commitment to progress that defines the Black community across the globe. This year, the theme highlights the profound contributions made by Black people be they leaders, activists, or pioneers who have shaped history, while also looking towards a future of continued empowerment, unity, and growth. (https://www.blackhistorymonth.org.uk/article/section/bhm-intros/black-history-month-2025-standing-firm-in-power-and-pride/)

History

All over the UK, Black History is celebrated during the month of October (BHM). Black History Month has become an important date in the cultural calendar of many of the UK's schools, museums, galleries and local authorities. Although BHM has been celebrated every February in the USA since 1970, it was not officially celebrated in the UK until 1987. The first Black History Month took place in London.

Black History in West Acton

In West Acton, we learn about the inspiring contributions of a range of significant individuals in Black history, through an interesting and diverse curriculum within different subjects. Furthermore, Black History Month is celebrated through stories, discussions and creative activities. This means that the children are learning about a broader range of people who greatly contribute to our society.

Who We Are Learning About

Each year group is focusing on key individuals or books that highlight Black excellence and achievement:

Nursery

Handa's Surprise, The Leopard's Drum, Kechi's Hair Goes Every Which Way / Daddy Do My Hair — Exploring stories
and characters that celebrate African culture and identity.

Reception

- Ruby Bridges The first Black child to desegregate an all-white school in the USA.
- Tessa Sanderson Olympic gold medalist and role model in sports.

Year 1















- Mae C. Jemison First Black woman in space.
- Barack Obama First Black President of the United States.
- Trish Cooke British author and playwright.
- Walter Tull Footballer and WWI soldier.

Year 2

- . Lenny Henry Comedian and co-founder of Comic Relief.
- Katherine Johnson NASA mathematician.
- · William (Robbie) Clarke First Black pilot to fly for Britain.
- · Sislin Fay Allen Britain's first Black female police officer.

Year 3

- · Faith Ringgold Artist and author.
- Trevor MacDonald Pioneering British newsreader.
- · Maggie Aderin-Pocock Space scientist and broadcaster.
- · John Alcindor Doctor and WWI medical hero.

Year 4

- · Claudia Jones Founder of the Notting Hill Carnival.
- Benjamin Banneker Inventor and mathematician.
- Frank Bailey One of the first Black firefighters in the UK.
- Margaret Busby Britain's youngest and first Black female book publisher.

Year 5

- Lewis Howard Latimer Inventor who improved the lightbulb.
- Dame Eugenia Charles First female Prime Minister of Dominica.
- Paul Stephenson Civil rights activist in Bristol.
- Phillis Wheatley First published African American poet.

Year 6

- Malorie Blackman Author and former Children's Laureate.
- Charles Ignatius Sancho Writer and abolitionist.
- Beryl Gilroy First Black headteacher in the UK.
- Chadwick Boseman Actor and role model for young people.

ARP (Additional Resource Provision)

Pupils in Elm, Birch, and Oak classes will be learning from the same year group selections, adapted to meet their individual learning needs and abilities.

Why We Celebrate Black History Month

Celebrating Black History Month is part of our commitment to:

· Courage - Learning about brave individuals who stood up for what is right, often in the face of adversity.





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- · Consideration Understanding and valuing the experiences, perspectives, and contributions of others.
- Collaboration Working together as a school community to build an inclusive and respectful environment.

We also uphold British Values, including:

- Mutual respect and tolerance of different cultures and beliefs.
- Individual liberty and the right to be proud of one's identity.
- Democracy and the rule of law, recognising those who fought for justice and fairness.

Through Black History Month, we honour the Equality Act 2010, which protects all individuals from discrimination and promotes equal rights and opportunities for everyone, regardless of race, background, or heritage.

Parents / Carers Invitation on Thursday 6th November

Following Black History Month, we warmly invite all parents and carers to join us in school for a celebration of our learning. Come and take part in BHM coffee afternoon where there will be a presentation, displays about significant people in history, quizzes and prizes to be won.

This event is a fantastic opportunity to:

- · See what your children have been learning
- · Celebrate our shared values of courage, consideration, and collaboration
- · Continue the conversation about equality, diversity, and inclusion at home and in the community

We look forward to welcoming you into school for an engaging and inspiring afternoon.

Let's celebrate and continue to grow together!

Thank you for supporting our continued journey in making West Acton a truly inclusive school where every voice is valued, and every child can make a positive impact on their community and the wider world.

Thank you for your kind support.
Miss James and Miss Kondo
RE Lead Headteacher



















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Dear Parents / Carers,

The 2025 HEALTH RELATED BEHAVIOUR SURVEY

Our school has agreed to participate in a very important children's and young people's Health Behaviour Survey. We have been asked to support the work of the Local Authority and the school itself stands to benefit substantially through its participation in the survey.

The survey data in schools has been used in a variety of ways including:

- 1. As a starting point for discussion in classroom activities
- 2. As a guide in the choice of resources
- 3. As a beginning for further enquiry to strengthen existing programmes, e.g. in PE
- 4. As a starting point for discussion between parents and schools

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An Ealing head teacher who has used the survey in their school said:

"....it gives us useful data to show us the impact of strategies we use and informs us about the physical and emotional health and well-being of the children. It also helps us to plan for the future and to allocate resources and the budget appropriately".

The survey method that we are using has been developed by the Schools Health Education Unit and has been in use for over 40 years. Over 4000 schools have used the survey, many of them regularly repeating the survey. In Ealing the survey has been carried out every two years since 2005 and has been very successful in highlighting the health and well-being needs of young people. The results have been used to inform the support our school receives, the curriculum we use as well as make changes to our school environment and provision.

The questions concern a wide range of health behaviour,:

- Home and family
- Health
- Healthy Eating
- Feelings
- Bullying
- Alcohol
- Physical activity
- Smoking
- Leisure time
- Growing up















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The Local Authority will also have a reliable database upon which it can plan service provision for children and youn people. This is being done in partnership between the local authority, health services and our school.

Each questionnaire is confidential, and no pupil will be identified when the data is returned to school. The local authority will receive the total summary of all schools results in which individual schools are not identified.

I hope you will agree with us that this is an exercise in which we wish to co-operate fully. I will assume you do approve unless I hear otherwise and I look forward to sharing with you in planning improved health promotion for our pupils. We hold a copy of the questionnaire in the school office, and if you would like to examine it, you are welcome to do so by appointment.

The survey will be carried out in October 2025.

Yours sincerely,

Karen Kondo

Headteacher



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West Acton Primary school are proud to be a parkrun primary school.

A junior parkrun is **free**, **fun** and **friendly** weekly 2km event (run/walk) for children aged 4-14years old.







West Acton Primary School

is proud to be a 2025-2026 parkrun primary!

Promoting a healthier and happier planet for everyone.

Join in the fun every Sunday at Acton Park



What is Acton junior parkrun?

A free, fun, and friendly weekly 2k event for juniors (4 to 14 year olds). Nearby Saturday parkrun events can be found here.

When is it?

It is held every Sunday at 9:00am.

Where is it?

The event takes place at Acton Park, Uxbridge Road, London, W3 7LB. See Course page for more details.

What does it cost to join in?

Nothing - it's free! but please register before you first come along. Only ever register with parkrun once and don't forget to bring a scannable copy of your barcode (request a reminder). If you forget it, you won't get a time.

How fast do I have to be?

The aim is to have fun. Please come along and join in whatever your pacel



https://www.parkrun.org.uk/acton-juniors/



Send us your pictures of you joining the Junior Parkrun to receive your certificate!

Take a selfie/picture of you and your family joining the run and send it to admin@west-acton.ealing.sch.uk

We look forward to seeing them all ©



West Acton Primary School Weekly Values Rewards

w/c 6 th October 205	Courage	Consideration	Collaboration
Acorn	Maily	Eesa	German
Banyan	Lilian	Aly	Yui
Fir	Reem	Malaika	Lise
Olive	Куо	Sally	Taha
Ash	Chloe	Jana	Mohammad
Guava	Hanan	Saif	Laith
Katsura	Rintaro	Meina	Tougo
Chestnut	Akari	Alaa	Zayn
Damson	Kai	Petrus	Jacob
Juniper	Rehan	Evelyn	Zakaria
Holly	Paigm	Sulaiman	Ward
lvy	Rowan	Amy	Wakana
Rowan	Aaban	Andrii	Mariam
Mulberry	Keijel	Billie	Haruchika
Pine	Rena	Dhanvi	Zain
Sycamore	Aridon	Emma N	Eamon
Elder	Layah	Itsuki	Tino
Quince			
Willow	Mila	Sana	Adam
Lime	Itsuki	Maya H	Prajay
Tamarind	Anaya	Hari	Annabelle
Zaytouna	Anaya	Zainab	Tomoki
Birch	Alaya	Isabelle	Hakeen
Elm	Gabi	Elay	Abudi
Oak	Hawa	Abdul	Reggie