

# Newsletter

**Tuesday 21st March 2023**

Roundhouse Way, Harlow, Essex, CM17 9SF



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## Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you have had the chance to read our Ofsted report. We are thrilled that Newhall Primary Academy and Nursery is **good in all areas** and is a good school for the children that attend here. Thank you for all of your kind words since receiving our report. We will continue to work on the areas suggested for development and look forward to building upon the success of our inspection over the years to come.

We have now had an assembly from each of our school classes where the children have confidently spoken about their learning and performed to parents. We had a great turnout for the assemblies and we were so proud of our children and their involvement in these.

Thank you to those of you who attended the school's World Book Day Parade. It was wonderful to see so many of you there to cheer on the children and their costumes were fantastic! It was great to hear the conversations about good books and book characters. Reading is the key to everything!

We hope you enjoy reading about our learning in this newsletter.

Mr. Duffy

*Thank You*  
for your support

## Message from the Nursery Manager

What an eventful few weeks it has been!

World book day was lovely to see the children all dress up as animals of their favourite book.

This half term's topics are now in full swing in Snowdrop and Bluebell. There have been some fantastic smells from Snowdrop making Gingerbread men for their 'Food Glorious Food' topic and Bluebell were so excited tasting their fruit tea whilst learning about the 'Tiger that came to tea' story as part of their 'Land of Rhyme' topic. The Pictures of the Tiger displayed in the room are amazing!

Blossom Room is transitioning their topic from Winter to Spring; let's hope the weather starts to become more spring-like soon!

It is also very lovely to have Irene back in Blossom Room and return to work at Newhall for us.

I think the most important thing that I have to say is 'Well done and thank you to all the team at Newhall Primary Academy and Nursery for their hard work and dedication not just on the day of Ofsted but every day.' I am very proud from the nursery point of view that our under 2s provision and our over 2s provision both has a "GOOD" Rating. We are very grateful for all the support we have had from our parents and carers.

Emma

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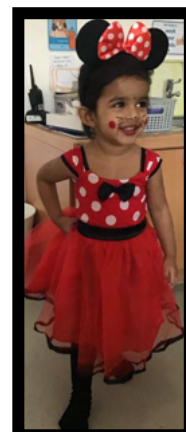
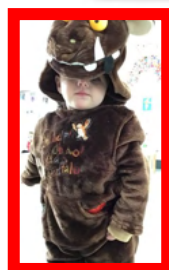
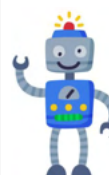
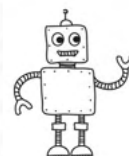
## Reception

We have been reading 'The Little Red Hen'. We enjoyed using the teaching kitchen to make our own bread. We followed a recipe and had to knead the ingredients together. After our bread had baked in the oven, it was finally time to taste it. The children loved trying bread that they had made from scratch and said it was 'soft' and 'delicious'!



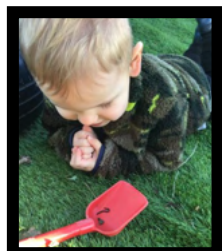
## Year 3

Year 3 enjoyed celebrating their tea party after we finished reading 'Alice in Wonderland' and should be proud of the fantastic pieces of writing they have produced. This term we have been very busy looking at different frames and getting ready to create our own ones in DT. We are also enjoying reading 'The Iron Man' and we created some excellent robots on our robot day too! Book day was a huge success, creating some excellent chalk scenes from the book 'Tuesday' and getting in role as the characters during our hot seating activity.



## Blossom

In Blossom Room we have just started our spring topic where we will be learning about what happens in spring time, including baby animals, flowers and other wildlife. The children have already been interested in some bugs we found in our garden, celebrating St. David's Day and World Book Day. Over the past few weeks, we have been doing lots of activities around the book 'Monkey Puzzle'. The children have been using puppets along to the story and making the characters to the book while learning about what sounds they make and how they move.





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## Year 1

Year 1 had a fantastic time kicking off our design and technology unit on bridges. We used different recourse to build bridges and discussed what the different types could be. We look forward to designing and creating our own at the end of term.



## Snowdrop

To explore our "Food glorious food" topic, Snowdrop room have been busy baking! They have been learning about safe ways to bake and cook. They rolled, mixed and measured to create their own delicious gingerbread men. The children discussed the ingredients they needed and even recalled some of the story!



## Year 4

Year 4 concluded their geography by learning about the different types of goods the UK imports from Spain. We discussed the positives and negatives of trade and even had a go at planting Spanish tomatoes. In art, we concluded our Vivienne Westwood textiles topic by creating our upcycled t-shirt. We were blown away by each child's creativity and their embroidery skills! Lastly, as their latest Dojo reward, Ash Class came to school in their pyjamas! One of us even said it felt like having school on a Sunday (and we all agreed!).



## Year 2

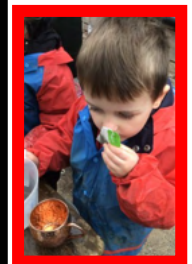
Children in Year 2 have had great fun learning all about 'Still Life' in art. They have developed their skills and understanding of colour and composition with a special focus on shade, tint, tone and shadow. We focused on the artist Morandi as our inspiration and built up to creating a final piece using oil pastels and watercolour.



## Bluebell

Bluebell have loved delving into our new topic 'Land of Rhyme'.

We had a great first week of term by reading 'Mr Wolf's Pancake'. The children enjoyed shopping for the ingredients, making Play-Doh pancakes and writing lists. We have been using the 'Tiger who came to tea' in our learning this week. The children's painting skills have developed beautifully and they all painted amazing tigers. They were so good we had to display them in the classroom. We have been learning some interesting facts about tigers and writing them, using our phonic knowledge. We have been experimenting with different teas to see which one the tiger would like. We noticed the changes it made to the water and some teas smelt delicious! We tasted red berry tea. We thoroughly enjoyed World Book a Day and read lots of books throughout the day.



# NEWHALL



## EVENTS



REMEMBER

Date	Event
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> March	Parents' Evening 15:30 – 17:30
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March	PTA Meeting at 17:00 – 18:00
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> March	Parents' Evening 17:30 – 19:00
Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 4 Visit to West Stow Village
Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 1 History Off The Page
Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> March	PTA Easter Disco 15:30 – 16:15 (R-2) 16:30 – 15:15 (3-4)
Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> March	Last Day of Term (School Closes at 13:30)
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> April	Children Return to School

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**Attendance Matters**  
...every school day counts!

# Exciting Opportunity

### Attendance

Our attendance for each class since we have been back from February half term was as follows.



Well done to Elm Class!



Year Group	Class	Attendance
R	Cherry	91.0%
R	Willow	92.8%
1	Rowan	88.1%
1	Beech	91.2%
2	Elm	97.2%
2	Hazel	96.1%
3	Maple	93.1%
3	Chestnut	95.9%
4	Ash	95.0%
4	Juniper	91.6%



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