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Dear parents and carers,

Another fantastic week here at Edinburgh. Children enjoyed their Christmas lunch/Christmas Jumper Day and the year R/I nativity was also a great success. Yesterday, our year 2/3 children went out and about in the local area, carrying out some map work. This was a really great additional outing that was enjoyed by all. Thank you to all the parents who helped.

Huge thanks also to the PTA. Many children and adults have commented on what a wonderful Winter Fair we had and this is all down to the hard work of all the parents who got involved. In Monday's assembly next week, our baking competition winners will receive their prizes and all children who took part, will receive a small prize.

Next week, we look forward to the final events and please do remember that your child can bring in a snack box to enjoy on the last day for the fabulous finish. Please do ensure your children are collected at 2.15pm so staff can finish for the holidays.

Best wishes,

Faye Rider

Headteacher

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Art Smart Winners

Thank you to everyone who entered the Art SMART challenge this half term.

My ArtSmart entry tray has been full of colour and character inspired by David Hockney.

Thank you to all who entered!



The KS1 winner is...

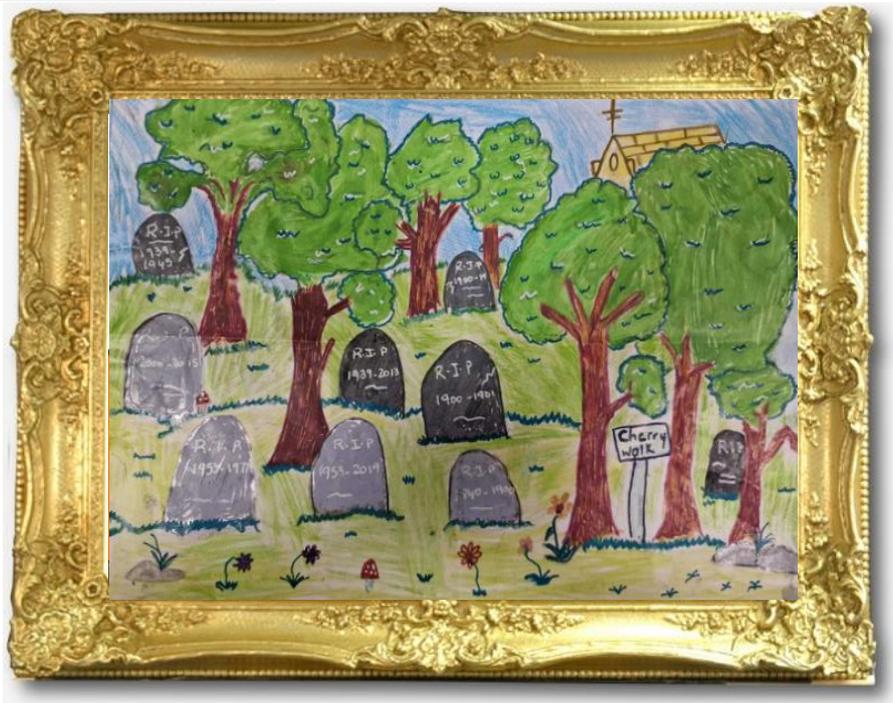
Layyana

Hornbeam class

The KS2 Winner is...

Rayyan

Pine class



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Waltham Forest School Travel Plans

Be more active and explore the local walks



Go Jauntly Walks

Go Jauntly is a free walking and wellness app that helps bring happiness outdoors and enables users to discover urban walks, nature trails, historic tours and puzzle hunts in-app. You can download the app for free on the App Store or the Play Store.

We're excited to launch a new set of Waltham Forest walks that highlight the rich history, hidden nature and vibrant community life of the area.

Together, these routes celebrate the community's commitment to sustainability, heritage, and cultural enrichment, providing engaging experiences for locals and visitors alike.

Share these walks with your school community to encourage them to be more active and explore their local area!

Waterside Walkabout: This route takes you along the River Lea and Tottenham Marshes, showcasing Walthamstow Wetlands, an internationally significant nature reserve. It also includes a visit to the William Morris Gallery, a museum dedicated to the famed designer.

Mosey on the Marsh: Explore the green spaces of the Lea Valley, including Ive Farm Community Garden and the Christopher Robbins Woodland Walk. Highlights include Friends Bridge, steeped in history as a former boundary between Anglo-Saxon England and Viking Danelaw.

Walthamstow Village Walk: Celebrating 10 years of the Sustainable Transport program, this walk features Walthamstow Market, the longest outdoor street market in Europe, the soon-to-be-reopened Soho Theatre, and St. Mary's Church with its new arts focus.

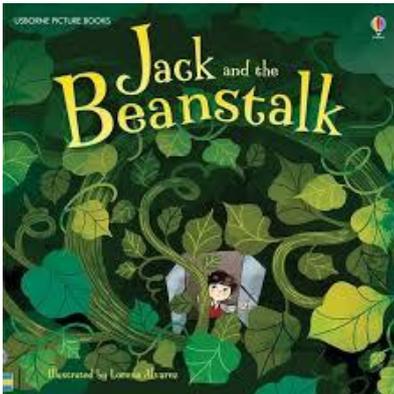


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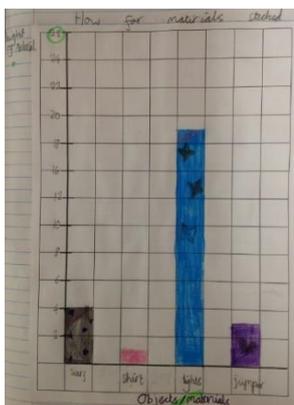


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Gingko Class Corner



On the 29th November, we had the fantastic opportunity of watching the pantomime performance of Jack and the Beanstalk. We have since used the story in our English and guided reading lessons and are currently focusing on re-telling the story using descriptive language and complex sentences. We will also learn how to use speech punctuation accurately when using dialogue. We have particularly enjoyed our 'Book Talk' lessons in guided reading where we have taken on the roles of Jack and his mother in a variety of drama activities, including interviews, news presenting and 'hot seating'. We have been thoroughly impressed by their enthusiasm and imaginative responses!



This half term in Science, we are continuing our exploration of materials. The children have had lots of hands-on opportunities to carry out mini-experiments to determine the elasticity, rigidity and durability of different materials. We have particularly focused on different ways of collecting data and presenting our findings in charts and graphs.

Monday 4th November
Mrs. Cad / investigate the suitability of materials

Type of ball	How high did it bounce?
golf ball	30cm
sponge ball	29cm
hockey	40cm
beach ball	100cm



In DT, pupils embarked on an exciting journey of creativity and problem-solving by designing and building castles made from junk modelling materials. Using everyday items such as cardboard boxes and kitchen roll holders, they transformed ordinary objects into extraordinary structures.

This hands-on project encouraged collaboration, as pupils worked together to sketch their designs, plan the layout, and determine how to assemble their materials. They used critical thinking skills, as they experimented with different ways to make their castles sturdy, aesthetically pleasing, and functional. Through this process, the children learned valuable lessons about resourcefulness, teamwork, and the importance of imagination in construction.



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Attendance and punctuality



Sam, our **S**chool,
attendance **m**ascot



Early Bird
our punctuality mascot

Attendance Awards

Lower floor: Hornbeam
Upper floor: Redwood

Punctuality Awards

Lower floor: Hornbeam
Upper floor: Tamarind

Whole school: 96%

Our whole school attendance should be 97% or better.

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Please ensure your child is in school and do not plan any routine appointments (including medical) during school hours or visits abroad during term time

Did you know being 5 minutes late to school everyday equates to 3 days of lost learning time over the school year.

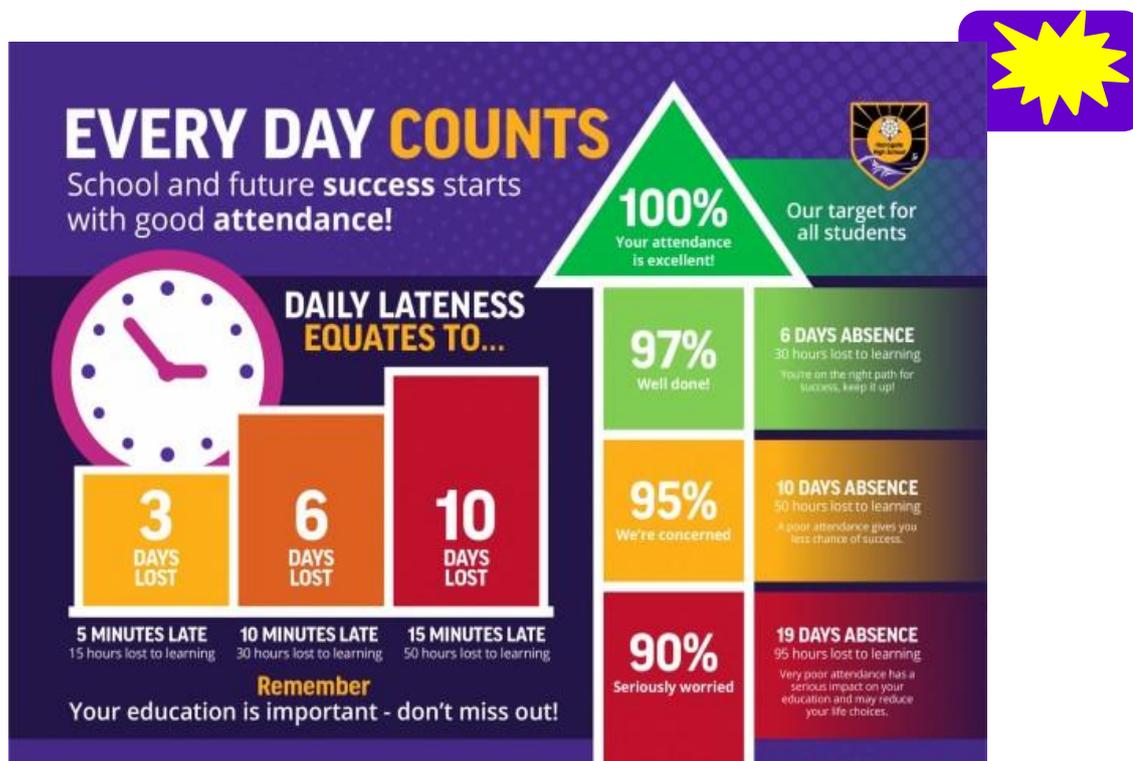
Did you know 95% attendance is a cause for concern as it equates to 10 days absence from school and 50 hours of teaching time.

Tip

Make every effort to schedule doctor, dentist, and other appointments after school hours or in school holidays.

Homework Tip

Limit Distractions. Create a homework zone for your child that is away from the T.V. and other places where there could be distractions such as pets, people coming and going and loud noises.



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Weekly House Points Winner!



Team Emerald!

Values certificates for showing the Edinburgh values...

KINDNESS

HONESTY

RESILIENCE

RESPECT

POSITIVITY

	KINDNESS	HONESTY	RESILIENCE	RESPECT	POSITIVITY
Banyan				Sabiha	
Gingko			Juwairiya		
Hornbeam	Ameen				
Oak	Madina				
Pine					Harry
Redwood			William		
Tamarind				Safwaan A	



Shining stars

Abdullah – Tamarind
 Aayan – Gingko
 Azaan – Banyan
 Annays – Hornbeam
 Muhammad – Pine
 Marcel – Oak
 Raima – Redwood
 Smaranda – Redwood

Gold Awards

Armani – Oak

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Homework stars!

Reading Stars



Mariyah – Tamarind

Humaid – Ginkgo

Avantika – Banyan

Matthew – Hornbeam

Aydin – Pine

Ariana – Oak

Isra – Redwood

Spelling and Handwriting Stars



Maaryah – Tamarind

Aad – Ginkgo

Emilia – Banyan

Muhammad – Hornbeam

Armandas – Oak

Times Table and Numbers Rock Stars



Rayyan – Tamarind

Muhammad – Ginkgo

Leila – Banyan

Amin – Hornbeam

Zayyan – Pine

Danyil – Oak

Healthy eating awards!

Azlan - Pear

Nasar - Pear

Sabiha - Banyan

Layyana - Cingko

Zainab - Hornbeam

Mohamed - Tamarind

Adam K - Tamarind

Adam S - Tamarind

Please remember only healthy foods are permitted at break time. At this time of the day, we encourage children to enjoy a piece of fruit. **No crisps, sweets or chocolate bars are allowed.**

For children on the upper floor, due to a later lunchtime, you may like to prepare a small sandwich for your child to enjoy at break time (lunch is at 12.45pm).





We value your feedback – if you have any positive feedback about your child's experience at school, please do write a note and hand this to the school office and we will pass this on to the relevant member of staff.

Equally, if you have any concerns, please do meet your child's class teacher or arrange an appointment to see me so that matters can be resolved quickly.

Thank you

Dates for the diary

Autumn 2 Key Dates	
16 th December	Value of the Week: British Values
	Enrichment Clubs to go Live at Midday
18 th December	Christmas Activity Day (Craft)
19 th December	Last Day of Term – Fabulous Finish Day- snack boxes – dress up (class theme) OR non- uniform. School closes at 2.15pm
20 th December – 5 th January	School Holiday
6 th January 2025	Inset Day
7 th January	Children return to School