



**Staff
Member of
the Week
Miss Vinson**



GLC

Herringham Primary Academy



**Team of the
Week
TeachMeet
Team**

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A cold and windy week at Herringham, but the children have coped really well, with not too many wet breaks! It seems unbelievable but we have already completed the first three weeks of January! We have to warn you that there may be some disruption around our new library area next week. We will be having some work carried out to run electricity to the building starting on Monday, and for reasons of Health and Safety, it will be necessary to cordon off the area once again. It will be the same as last time, the wooden gate between KS1 and the car park will be closed, so access will either be around the building by the Children's Centre, or back out on to St Mary's Road through the KS1 Gate, and back in through the KS2 Gate. We are sorry for any inconvenience, but are sure that you will agree it will be worth it in the long run. We thank you in advance for your co-operation.

ILLEGAL PARKING

We have had reports of a blue Nissan Almera illegally parking on the pavement outside the KS1 playground, despite prior warnings of the danger this causes. Although we cannot prosecute this driver, we can pass on details to the police. Please think of others safety above your own convenience when parking outside the school.

YELLOW FOR YOUNG CARERS

Thursday 25

January is a non-uniform day when we will be asking children to wear an article of YELLOW clothing or scarf. There is a fine of £1.00 for not wearing uniform, and the money will be going to support Young Carers Awareness Week. There are many young people across the country, (Thurrock included) who are carers for members of their family. The charity helps to provide these children with support and assistance where needed.

EDUCATIONAL VISITS

Lots going on over the next week. Trips begin on Friday 26 January with Reception class visiting the Natural History Museum as part of their class work. Y5 will visit Chatham Docks on 29 January – always a favourite and interesting trip. Y1 are going to Leeds Castle on 30 January – a great day out - and Y2 are visiting the Museum of London on February 1 – they will be looking into the Great Fire of London. As always, we thank you for helping to fund these trips. Without your help, they would not go ahead and the children would miss out on a wonderful extra-curricular opportunity.

ADHD SUPPORT

This is a group for parents that are all going through similar situations; we can all support each other. If you just want to chat or someone to lean on, why not come along to the following meetings, they are all held between 10am and 12pm – 23 January, 6 & 20 February, 6 and 20 March and 17 April (on 6th February SCOPE will be attending to do a workshop on EHCP plans. On 20th February, Dr Nagaraj will be attending to do a talk on Anger and Peer Management.) For more information, call Jo Kemp or Jade Smith on 01375 413742. The venue is Tilbury Children's Centre, London Road, Tilbury RM18 8EY

APPRENTICESHIPS

ARE YOU OR DO YOU KNOW ANYONE WHO IS AGED 16-29, UNEMPLOYED AND LIVING IN THURROCK?

Help is available for free advice on hundreds of job opportunities, a range of Apprenticeships, Training Courses, Personal Careers Adviser and Interview and CV support. For more information, visit Thurrock.gov.uk/careers or e-mail contract@thurrock.gov.uk, alternatively, telephone 01923 698441.

CARERS

Are you a Carer, are you feeling Anxious, worried, isolated – why not join a peer led Carers Group led by Cariads which will take place on the first Tuesday of each month from 5 – 7pm. The meeting is at The Summer House, 152 Bridge Road, Grays RM17 6DB – for more information, call Christine on 01375 659172

CHADWELL CHILDREN'S CENTRE

If you have a child aged between 5 and 8 years, you may be interested in joining Pyramid for Parents at the Children's Centre starting on 26 January from 1.45pm to 2.45pm – the course will run for six weeks and provides parents with knowledge, skills and positive experiences that can be used to enhance relationships with your children. Call 07912 781446 to book your place.

ATTENDANCE

Well done 2 Hazel, they achieved 99% attendance, closely followed by 4 Eucalyptus with 98.6%. Other classes meeting or beating our target were:

6 Oak – 98%
3 Maple – 97.7%
1 Palm – 97.3%
5 Elm – 97%
3 Ash – 96.3%
1 Birch – 96%

Classes not quite meeting our overall school target of 96% were:

2 Monkey Puzzle – 95.9% 5 Willow – 93.3%
6 Chestnut – 95.9% 4 Sycamore – 91.8%
R Conkers – 94.8% R Acorns – 91.3%

Our overall attendance this week was 95.9%

PUNCTUALITY

An improvement – last week your children lost 13 hours and 22 minutes learning time, this week, that reduced to 6 hours and 45 minutes this week. Not ideal, but any improvement is good. Once again, we would urge you to let us know if you are having any problems getting your child/children into school on time. We may be able to help. We appreciate that at times, circumstances mean that we can't all always be on time for everything. If you think you are going to be late, let us know and we can check school meals etc. – it can make things easier for your child/children when they arrive.



DIARY DATES.....

Thursday 25 January

Non Uniform day—wear something yellow for Young Carers Awareness Week: £1 donation

Friday 26 January

Reception trip to Natural History Museum

Monday 29 January

Y5 trip to Chatham Docks

Tuesday 30 January

Y1 trip to Leeds Castle

Y5 parent and child session 2pm

Wednesday 31 January

My Book Blog session for KS1 parents 8.30am and 2.30pm

Y4 parent and child session 2pm

Thursday 1 February

Y2 trip to Museum of London

Reception parent and child session 2pm

Friday 2 February

NSPCC Number Day

Y1 parent and child session 2pm

Monday 5 February

Y4 trip to Imperial War Museum Duxford

Tuesday 6 February

Internet Safety Day

Y6 parent and child session 2pm

Thursday 8 February

Y6 Thames river cruise and London Borough Market

Friday 9 February

Last Day Spring 1

Monday 12-Friday 16 February

Half term

Monday 19 February

Back to School—Spring 2

Tuesday 20 February

Reception parent partnership meeting 8.45am

Wednesday 21 February

Y1 parent partnership meeting 8.45am

Y5 parent partnership meeting 2.45pm

Thursday 22 February

Y2 parent partnership meeting 8.45am

Y4 parent partnership meeting 2.45pm

Friday 23 February

Y3 parent partnership meeting 8.45 am

Y6 parent partnership meeting 2.45pm

Thursday 1 March

World Book Day

Parent's Evening

Tuesday 6 March

Y5 trip Tower of London

Monday 12-Friday 16 March

GLC Science Week

Thursday 15 March

Thurrock Schools Poetry Competition Heats

Friday 16 March

Y6 NEC Birmingham

Thursday 22 March

Thurrock Schools Poetry Competition Finals

Friday 23 March

Non uniform day for Sport Relief