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Headteacher's Message

Welcome to the October edition of the Yeading Infants News. School has been as busy as ever. I am thrilled to share with you the school has been awarded the **GOLD learning outside the classroom award**. Huge successes for our school community.

Over this 8 week half term children have quickly and comfortably settled into their new classes and are making progress towards their end of year targets. I have been meeting with the parents and you are telling me how happy you are with how the children have settled.

I have also been meeting with all the teachers to discuss each child's progress and goals for the rest of the year. Teachers will be sharing this at parent-teacher conferences, along with specific strategies for support at home. As a 'Reading School' reading everyday supports the children in achieving reading for pleasure as well

as helping them learn new vocabulary.

Please support your children into getting into good habits and access the curriculum with confidence. I have been meeting with parents who have been attending our recent parents meetings. The teachers have been sharing targets and additional support to help parents working with their children at home.

The focus is also, as always, on 100% attendance during this period. Punctuality is also very important and ensures all the children are on the green zone for the rest of the day. Stay safe and healthy and let's see how many children get their certificates before the end of the year!

Our Book Buddies have begun reading with children in school. If you are able to donate your time,

we would greatly appreciate your help. Please contact the office to let us know.

Finally, I hope all of our families celebrating Diwali and Bandi Chhor Divas had a wonderful celebration!

Mrs Ahluwalia

Doodle and Bug Club

We offer two FREE learning programmes to support children in achieving their learning goals. The programmes support children working at their own level and provide graduated challenge as they progress. Children are enjoying using the programmes and we are noticing a difference in class where children are spending time using these. We are very mindful

of screen time so the maximum children should be spending is 10 minutes everyday. This is recommended to support them in maintaining a healthy balance. If you are experiencing any issues with your child's log in, please do speak to your child's class teacher.



National Poetry Day!



Every This year the dren (and teachers!) October we theme was PLAY! also enjoy singing celebrate Poetry recitals are nursery rhymes, which are poems set to music!. Thank you to Miss Hall for organising the week! National Poetry Day their long-term support oracy. Children develop their memory and support oracy. Children develop their memory and support oracy.

Curriculum Meetings

Thank you to all the parents who attended our recent curriculum meetings and completed the questionnaire. Your feedback means that we can make these sessions the most useful for you. You have let us know that you would like more workshops and family learning sessions. After half term we have more workshops planned and the during the soft start sessions in the mornings, teachers will be sharing strategies to support you so do make sure you attend those. We look forward to seeing you after half term in parent meetings where teachers will share progress and targets to help you support your child at home. Thank you for your ongoing support. Please do complete the survey, included in this newsletter when you can.

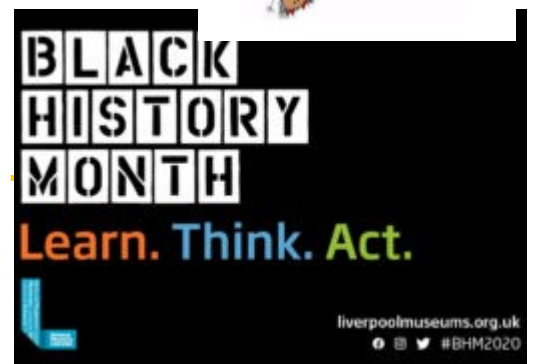


Breakfast Club!

At Yeading we have a fantastic Breakfast Club situated in our Learning Pod building. This club is designed to support all our families including those parents who are working. Children can tuck into a healthy breakfast, enjoy time to play and make new friends. We have

found it is a perfect way to get children ready for the school day on the green zone! Breakfast club supervisors drop children off at their classes at 8.45am. Breakfast club is open at 8.00am, with drop off at the very latest between 8.00-8.10am.

The cost is £1 per session. If you are interested in this service, please speak to our office to find out more.



Black History Month

This October was Black History Month, and while we celebrate Afro-Caribbean culture all year long, we took time this month to understand the art, music, culture and dance that has shaped so much of our culture.

We have studied many famous people who have

greatly influenced our lives. The children also learned about Africa, various music from different parts of Africa, and the struggles of famous people like Rosa Parks, Martin Luther King Jr. Black History Month UK is an annual celebration in October to recognize and celebrate the contributions and

achievements of Black people throughout history and in contemporary society. It aims to promote knowledge of Black history and culture, address past and present inequities, and highlight the positive role Black people have played in shaping the UK. It has been an interesting and thought-provoking time and as an inclusive school we continue to learn about the vibrant and rich cultures of our wonderful school community!

And....



From 4th November poppies will be available for the children to buy to commemorate Remembrance Day and to raise money for the Royal British Legion. Thank you to our families who purchased items to support the charity.

PEDESTRIAN TRAINING

This month Hillingdon's Pedestrian team visited Yeading Infants to learn about how to cross the road safely. Children also learnt about safe parking and how to ensure that everyone can be safe. Children were able to practice all that they had learnt in our school hall. Thank you to Mrs Siyani for organising such a useful workshop for the children.



NSPCC PANTS

Last year we were reminded us about the importance of a visit from Pantosaurus. This October Children from across the school got the chance to spend the day with Pantosaurus as he

reminded us about the importance of the PANTS lesson and supported all the children in boosting their self confidence. Try singing the catchy song found [here](#)



Diwali Assembly

Children from across KS1 performed the Diwali Assembly for the whole school. Children retold the story of Diwali and sung songs about the celebration chosen by Miss Hall. Mrs Mistry and Mrs Siyani joined in with the children's Dhandia

dance. It was lovely to see all the parents of the children performing show support by attending the show. Thank you Mrs Aboobaker and Mrs Joshi for putting together an Assembly for everyone to enjoy.





And....



Star, our therapy dog has been having lots of fun with the children playing her trick or treat game. She has shown us so many of her agility skills and tricks in time for Halloween! Thank you Star!



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Impartial and accessible advice on autism, special educational provision, behaviour and well-being from our skilled and experienced team

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We'll provide a listening ear and specialist advice from staff who are trained and experienced in autism. The Family Support service offers:

- Parent/Carer Autism Support Groups
- Parent Coffee Mornings
- Information helpline
- One-to-one appointments
- Advocacy at education, health and social care meetings

There is always someone on the end of a phone should you have any queries or concern... and they will always respond to emails. The staff and volunteers are wonderful.

What Zone Are You In?

| Blue | Green | Yellow | Red |
|--|--|--|---|
| | | | |
| Sick Sad Tired Bored Moving Slowly | Happy Calm Feeling Okay Focused Ready to Learn | Frustrated Worried Silly/Wiggly Excited Loss of Some Control | Mad/Angry Mean Yelling/Hitting Disgusted Out of Control |



Thank you to all the families that have kindly donated to OPAL Play.

Thank you to Mr Jheeta – Sahib's Dad for his creativity in building an outdoor kitchen from pallets. The children are thoroughly enjoying this new role play area.

Our school Play Charter

Be Kind

We show **compassion** for all.

Be Friendly

We include everyone.

Be Safe

We look after everyone and the equipment.



Donation Day

Friday 7th Nov 2025

Looking to have a clear out during half term holidays? Why not donate any items that are in good clean condition to our school for OPAL Play!



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| <p><u>Small world</u> Dinosaurs Cars - Dolls Action figures Lego Soft toys Animals</p> | <p><u>Role Play</u> Fancy dress Handbags Hats New born clothes Outdoor rugs and cushions Suitcases</p> | <p><u>Construction</u> Plastic crates/bread bins Plastic pipes <u>Low level wheels</u> Prams - pushchairs Trolleys on wheels</p> |
| <p><u>Creative Arts</u> Unused Paint brushes/rollers Trays Sponges (all sizes) Wallpaper rolls</p> | <p><u>Messy kitchen</u> Pots and pans Kitchen utensils Old appliances (kettles, toaster etc) <u>Water play</u> Measuring jug Watering can</p> | <p><u>Other</u> Clean tyres - car - bike - tractor Pallets wheelbarrow</p> |

Parent Survey Autumn 2025



Outstanding October at Yeading...



LEARNING OUTSIDE THE CLASS-

Where does LoTC take place?

School Grounds

- Habitats
- Growing spaces
- Reflection gardens
- Outdoor classrooms
- Amphitheatre
- Story telling area
- Heritage zone - WWI trenches, Saxon villages, Roman roads
- Active play areas & climbing walls
- Orienteering course
- Fire pit/Woodland craft area
- Den building space
- Loose parts/Scrapstore

Visitors & Interactive virtual visits

- Religious leaders
- Cultural & heritage experiences
- Theatre groups
- Sports personalities
- Authors
- Local businesses
- Planetariums & other immersive experiences
- Careers advice
- Science companies

Local Area

- Parks or woodland
- Streets
- Shops, cafes, restaurants & post office
- City farms
- Community garden/allotment
- Places of worship & other sacred spaces
- Garden centre
- Local museums
- Library
- Historic & contemporary buildings
- Art venues - theatres, galleries
- Local schools

A journey away

- Cities
- Archaeological sites & battlefields
- Regional/national museums
- Science & discovery centres
- Cathedrals
- Zoos & aquaria
- Rural farms or country estates
- Field study & outdoor education centres
- Adventure activity & leisure centres
- Nature reserves & national parks
- Botanical gardens
- Coastline
- Workplace attractions

Overnight stays

- Sleep over in school hall
- Camp over in school grounds
- Sleep over in museums & galleries
- Camping in farms & other outdoor venues
- Field study & adventure centres (UK & abroad)
- Study, cultural, language & sports tours (UK & abroad)
- Language exchanges
- Expeditions



Autumn Activities Bucketlist

Have an autumn treasure hunt

Bike ride through the park or woods.

Have a bonfire with roast chestnuts.

Fly a kite.

Have an autumn sports day.

This is one of the first things we plan in Autumn

Star gaze

Hunt for natural 'bits' to use for crafts.

Build a den in the forest

Natural projects. Do some land art

Try apple stamping

Make delicious Baked Apple donuts

Have a Halloween party and bob for apples.

Drink Hot Cocoa outdoors.

Go on a Pumpkin picking day out.

Use the pumpkins to make cinnamon pumpkin muffins! YUm!

Autumn mornings are cool and damp so go for a walk.

Visit a corn maze.

Do some leaf art.

Glowing leaf jar

Pony bead Leaf mobile

Kick and throw leaves in the air.

Use pinecones to make animals or a pinecone wreath.

Make pinecone autumn trees

Rock collecting and paint them

Leave crafts

Make a Leaf wreath

Bark or leaf Rubbing picture

Try painting your own leaves using shaving cream marbling

Acorns are so useful for crafts.

Make a Glitter acorn garland to hang in the garden

Use sweetcorn leaves to make Corn dolls.

Go Conker hunting!

Play conkers!!

Make twig weaving with a conker centre

Make a leaf mobile.

Help your garden Wildlife

Make some Bird feeders.

Save some seeds and plant them to grow more trees.

Make a Hedgehog house

Forage for fruit.

OCTOBER EVENTS CALENDAR 2025

What's Happening in October?

ADHD Awareness Month
 Black History Month
 Breast Cancer Awareness Month
 Down Syndrome Awareness Month
 International School Library Month

Navratri (22nd Sept - 1st Oct)
 Yom Kippur (1st - 2nd)
 National Vegetarian Week (1st - 7th)
 World Space Week (4th - 10th)
 Dyslexia Awareness Week (6th - 12th)
 Sukkot (6th - 13th)
 Invisible Disabilities Week (19th - 25th)

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday | Sunday |
|---|--|--|--|--|--|---|
| |  | 1 World Vegetarian Day | 2 Gandhi Jayanti National Poetry Day | 3 World Smile Day | 4 St. Francis' Day World Animal Day | 5 Grandparents' Day World Teachers' Day |
| 6 National Badger Day World Cerebral Palsy Day World Habitat Day | 7  | 8 Octopus Day  | 9 World Sight Day  | 10 World Homeless Day World Mental Health Day World Porridge Day | 11 International Day of the Girl Child World Migratory Bird Day  | 12 |
| 13 | 14 Battle of Hastings Anniversary Ada Lovelace Day Allied Health Professionals Day | 15 Global Handwashing Day Dornod Shwimee Suimee Day | 16 World Food Day  | 17 Developmental Language Disorder Awareness Day International Day for the Eradication of Poverty | 18 World Singing Day | 19 International Sloth Day  |
| 20 Dussehra | 21 National Apple Day  | 22 International Stammering Awareness Day | 23 International Snow Leopard Day | 24 The United Nations Day | 25 World Opera Day International Artist Day Dwarfism Awareness Day | 26 |
| 27 World Occupational Therapy Day | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 Halloween  | | |

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ABSENCE = LOST OPPORTUNITY



Did You Know... ?

If Your Child's Attendance During the School Year...

Your Child Would Have Lost Approximately...

or They Would Have Missed Approximately...

| | | |
|---------|----------------------------|--------------------|
| was 95% | 9 Days from School | 50 Lessons |
| was 90% | 19 Days from School | 100 Lessons |
| was 85% | 29 Days from School | 150 Lessons |
| was 80% | 38 Days from School | 200 Lessons |
| was 75% | 48 Days from School | 250 Lessons |

Getting Your Child to School Really Matters

Attendance Procedure at Yeading

Stage 1: Good Attendance (96% and above)

- **Message:** “Fantastic! Your child is attending regularly and making the most of learning opportunities.”

Action: Continue encouraging punctuality and daily attendance

Stage 2: Cause for Concern (90%–95%)

- **Message:** “Attendance is starting to slip. Missing lessons can affect progress.”

Action: We’ll contact you to discuss any challenges and offer support.

Stage 3: Serious Concern (Below 90%)

- **Message:** “Persistent absence is a serious issue. It impacts learning and may lead to formal intervention.”

Action: Meeting with school and Home visit

Stage 3 serious concern

