



# Roxeth Primary School Newsletter

December 2020



Dear Parents/Carers,

After a very challenging Autumn Term I would like to thank all parents/carers for their flexibility, resilience and understanding. Your support for the school and staff has been extremely positive despite plans being changed on a number of occasions. I would also like to thank my staff for being so dedicated to ensure your child/children have the best possible education through being in school or using the online learning platform. Please have a happy and restful time with your families. **Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Stay safe. Mr Deanus.**

## **HARROW MUSIC SERVICES - 'I promise to see you at Christmas (Wish you Well)' by Jonathan Preiss) featuring The Roxeth Choir**

Please watch through to the end – your children may not appear on every section but their voices are definitely there and they can be seen at some point during the video!

Link is: <https://vimeo.com/490524287>

18th Dec	END OF TERM
4th Jan 2021	PD Day staff
5th Jan	Pupils return to school
25th –29th	Y6 Mock SATs
5th Feb	Year 1 Play
8th –12th Feb	Geography Week
15th –19th Feb	Half Term
1st- -5th March	STEM Week
1st March	RSA Dress Up day
8th -12th Mar	Book Fair
16th –19th Mar	Y6 Mock SATs
19th Mar	Reception Play
23rd & 25th Mar	Parents Eve
31st Mar	End of Term
19th April	PD Day Staff
20th April	Pupils return to school

## VALUE OF THE MONTH



### Resilience

- \* **Moving forward positively after a problem**
- \* **Working together when things get tricky**
- \* **Trying hard not to give up or be negative**

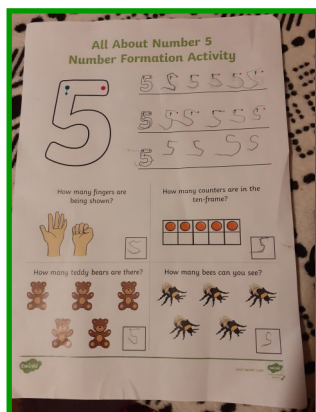
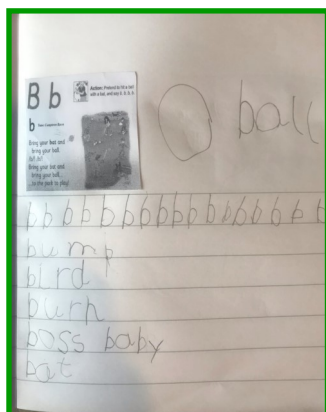




# House Point Champs



**ONLINE LEARNING**—"The children in Reception have managed brilliantly with online learning over the last two weeks. Whilst being at home, children have continued to learn how to read and write, count and add. They have also continued to learn about 3D shapes, about our topic Celebrations and much more! Here are just a few examples of the excellent learning that they have been producing. Well done to the children and grown ups, during these unusual times!"



**Year 2 Nativity Play** - The children performed the Christmas play called..... believe it or not... 'It's a Nativity!' Of course this story needs no introduction. Through simple story telling, fantastic acting and catchy songs, the children tell us how the first Christmas happened. Unfortunately, due to the pandemic, we were unable to perform before the whole school or parents. However, we did film the play and Year 2 parents should have received the link.







Year 3 had great fun making maths Christmas decorations and taking part in Stone Age Day. The children learnt how to weave using cotton and made a replica of Stonehenge using biscuits. The children also used their science learning of magnetism in order to make a fishing game. In addition, the children learnt what it might have felt like to make their own clothes by designing a Stone Age t-shirt. Year 3 demonstrated their amazing creative talents and we look forward to celebrating our next activity day!



### Attendance Awards Received December 2020

Infants	Attendance %	Juniors	Attendance %	Achievement Award date
2M & 1A	99.3	6B	100	4 <sup>th</sup> December
2M	98.9	3FP	98.6	11 <sup>th</sup> December







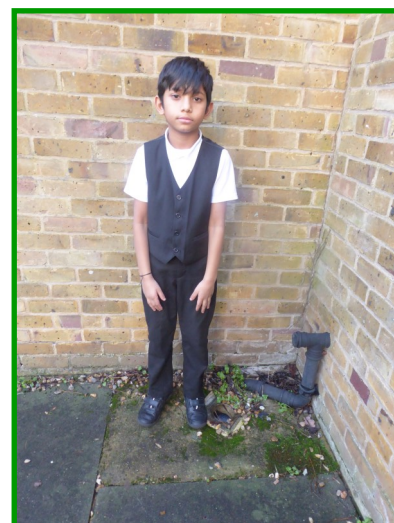
**YEAR 6 DIGITAL CITIZENS**— A huge thank you to Mr Gandhi for his talk about how to stay safe online. The children thoroughly enjoyed talking about their experiences and got some great tips on how to protect their privacy on messaging apps and games.

Mr Gandhi from Vodafone also recommends these useful resources for children and parents

- <https://www.internetmatters.org/advice/11-13/>
- [https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/11\\_13/](https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/11_13/)
- <https://www.iwf.org.uk/?gclid=CjwKCAiAwrf-BRA9EiwAUWwKXjpDEAZldw1uD->



**VICTORIAN DAY Y5**—we went back in time to the late 1800's as Victorians. We had lessons like Victorian children did such as chanting times tables and hand cleanliness inspections! It was very interesting but we are so glad it is different in 2020....or is it?!



## Voluntary organisations

Our voluntary sector has pulled out all the stops during the pandemic, offering a vast range of help to meet Harrow's needs. These are just some of the organisations

offering the most requested services. For a full list of support available, visit Voluntary Action Harrow's website at [voluntaryactionharrow.org.uk](http://voluntaryactionharrow.org.uk)



### London Community Kitchen

London Community Kitchen organise food parcels for the vulnerable. Open to the public every Friday, 3pm to 5pm.  
Christchurch Ave, Harrow HA3 5BD  
☎ 07366 088811



### Harrow Talking Therapies Service

NHS free confidential talking therapies service for people who have concerns around current coronavirus, including depression, anxiety and bereavement.  
☎ 020 8515 5015  
✉ [harrow.iapt@nhs.net](mailto:harrow.iapt@nhs.net)  
🌐 [www.cnwtalkingtherapies.org.uk](http://www.cnwtalkingtherapies.org.uk)



### Harrow Carers

Support, counselling, home care and befriending for carers and food, medication, essentials, shopping and delivery for the isolated.  
☎ 020 8868 5224  
✉ [info@harrowcarers.org](mailto:info@harrowcarers.org)  
📍 376 to 378 Pinner Road, North Harrow HA2 6DZ  
🌐 [www.harrowcarers.org](http://www.harrowcarers.org)



### Romanian and Eastern European Hub

Free support and advice to vulnerable Eastern Europeans. They also provide a food parcel service.  
✉ [info@communitybarnet.org.uk](mailto:info@communitybarnet.org.uk)

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[harrowgiving.org.uk](http://harrowgiving.org.uk)



### Citizens Advice

Free support and advice on issues including benefits, housing, debt, employment and immigration. 20+ languages spoken.  
☎ 020 8427 9477  
✉ [advice@harrowcab.org](mailto:advice@harrowcab.org)  
🌐 [citizensadviceharrow.org.uk](http://citizensadviceharrow.org.uk)



### Young Harrow Foundation

Safe, local offers for children and young people.  
🌐 [youngharrowfoundation.org](http://youngharrowfoundation.org)



### SWiSH

Monday to Friday 9am-5pm  
Helping adults in Harrow access services and information, including counselling and support for bereavement, mental health and ways to reduce isolation.  
☎ 020 8515 7867  
✉ [support@swishharrow.org.uk](mailto:support@swishharrow.org.uk)  
🌐 [swishharrow.org.uk](http://swishharrow.org.uk)



### Voluntary Action Harrow

Voluntary Action Harrow puts people in touch with local charities offering a range of support services, including help with food. Contact them if you would like to become a volunteer.  
🌐 [voluntaryactionharrow.org.uk](http://voluntaryactionharrow.org.uk)  
✉ [contact@voluntaryactionharrow.org.uk](mailto:contact@voluntaryactionharrow.org.uk)

## Are you helping a vulnerable person?

If you're providing unpaid care and support to a vulnerable person, we'd like to share the latest information and advice with you.  
✉ [carers@harrow.gov.uk](mailto:carers@harrow.gov.uk)



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## Help with living costs

### Financial support

If your income has been affected by coronavirus, use our online tool to find out what financial support you are entitled to  
🌐 [harrow.entitledto.co.uk/home/start](http://harrow.entitledto.co.uk/home/start)

If you're on Universal Credit you may be eligible for Council Tax Support and receive a £150 discount on your Council Tax bill.

If you're struggling to buy essentials like food, prescriptions or toiletries – our Coronavirus Hardship Fund could help.  
🌐 [harrow.gov.uk/supportforresidents](http://harrow.gov.uk/supportforresidents)



### Help with housing

Rent or mortgage problems? You will not be evicted from your home this summer due to a fall in your income. The Government is suspending bans on evictions from social and private rented accommodation by a further two months.

If you're worried about becoming homeless and are already claiming Universal Credit and Council Tax Support, contact our Housing Advice Team.  
✉ [housing.advice@harrow.gov.uk](mailto:housing.advice@harrow.gov.uk)  
☎ 020 8424 1093



### Domestic violence support

If you or someone you know is at risk from domestic violence, isolation rules do not apply. Police response and support services remain available.

National Domestic Abuse Helpline ☎ 080 8200 0247  
Harrow Domestic Abuse Service ☎ 020 8907 8148.

Always call 999 if you are in immediate danger

### Support with information, advice and food

Help Harrow is a partnership between Harrow Council, local charities and voluntary organisations working in Harrow to provide support, including access to a range of information, advice and food parcels. Register online.  
🌐 [helpharrow.org](http://helpharrow.org)



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## Test and Trace

NHS Test and Trace is helping to break the chain of infection and keep everyone in our community safe.

The symptoms are a fever, a new persistent cough and a change in sense of taste or smell.

If you develop coronavirus symptoms, you and your household should self-isolate immediately.

Developing even just one of these symptoms means you should take immediate action.



1

Book a test, either online at [nhs.uk/coronavirus](http://nhs.uk/coronavirus) or by calling 119.

There are regular testing units at Northwick Park Hospital and Harrow Civic Centre. Check [harrow.gov.uk/testing](http://harrow.gov.uk/testing)



2

If the test is positive, NHS Test and Trace will contact you to ask about your recent close contacts.

Your contacts will be told to self-isolate for 14 days from the onset of your symptoms.



3

If you are called by an NHS contact tracer, you will be told to self-isolate for 14 days.

Remember, genuine contact tracers will never ask for payment, passwords, or ask you to download anything.

If we all follow these steps, lockdown restrictions can continue to be lifted. Please play your part in testing and tracing, so we can start to get back to a more normal life.

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