



The Orchard Primary School

www.orchardprimary.com

8th September 2023

Welcome Back

A warm welcome back to all our pupils, and you the parents / carers. We hope you all had a relaxing and peaceful Summer break.

This year we welcome the following new staff members.

Mrs. Saini: Sycamore class
Ms. Kochhar: Olive class
Mrs. Usha Shah: Nursery

Secondary School Transfer

Leaflets have been given out to the Year 6 children with advice for parents on how/where to apply online.

Secondary School Transfer will also be discussed at the Yr. 6 Induction Meeting on Tuesday, 12th September @ 2.30pm in the Junior Hall.

Closing date for applications:
31.10.2023

Admissions link:
www.hounslow.gov.uk/admissions

For further information, please contact admissions@hounslow.gov.uk

WILSONJONES Simply Fresh

Our school dinner providers have now changed. We hope that your children have already reported to you that the food provision has improved. The menu is both on the website and on parentpay. The Mayor's pledge means children from year 3 to year 6 get a free meal by telling their teacher in the morning when registered that they would like a school dinner that day. The government already gives a free meal to Reception to year 2. If your child prefers they can still bring a healthy packed lunch instead.

REMINDERS

Please remember to name all your child's clothing and to have a named water bottle for your child to bring to school daily.

If you need to update any information held on record, (address, phone number, contact details etc.) please email:
parent@tops.hounslow.sch.uk

If you have a school query, please come to the school office.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

'Meet the Team' Meetings in Junior Hall:

Tuesday, 12th September @ 2.30pm Yr. 6

Thursday, 14th September @ 2.30pm Yr. 5

Friday, 15th September @ 2pm Yr. 4

Week of 11th September 2023
Reception children start

Week of 18th September 2023
E-safety Week

Reception Admission 2024

The application process went live on the 1st September 2023. You are now able to apply for a place in our Reception classes for September 2024.

Information can be found @ www.hounslow.gov.uk/admissions

Or please contact admissions@hounslow.gov.uk

Closing date : 15.01.2024

The Orchard Explorers

Welcome back!



We hope you've all had an amazing summer holiday. We would like to know if you travelled anywhere exciting this summer. Maybe you saw some of the wonderful places that the UK has to offer? Did you travel to somewhere sunny and warm in Europe? Or maybe you travelled further afield to Africa or South America? Wherever you went, we'd love to hear about your holiday.

Can you write a few sentences to describe your travels. Please send your entries to parent@tops.hounslow.sch.uk so we can make a display about your summer holidays



Answer from Issue 36



This is the Leaning Tower of Pisa, Italy. It is 55.86 metres high and was built between 1173 and 1399.

When it was built it did not lean and amazingly, it has survived four earthquakes.



Juniper class and Aspen class achieved the highest attendance for this first week of term, the 6th to 8th September 2023.



Every school day does matter.

Punctuality

Gates open at 8.45am. Children can go straight into class at this time.

- ◇ Key Stage 2 children MUST be in class by 8.55am.
- ◇ Key Stage 1 children MUST be in class by 9.00am.

Please be on time to school. Being late disrupts the start of the class and can make your child miss out on important lessons and time with their classmates.

Attendance

If your child is unable to attend school, for any reason, please let us know. Please email:
absence@tops.hounslow.sch.uk
Or telephone the school on 0208 570 6247 and leave a voicemail message on the absence line by choosing Option 2.

Please leave as much detail as possible —'sick' or 'unwell' cannot be accepted as a reason. Please try to make appointments outside of school time. If your child needs to attend an appointment during the school day, please provide an appointment card or email details (appointment & time) to the absence email.

This is needed to authorise absence.

If collecting early to take your child to an appointment, please also include this in your email.

Thank you.

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