



The Orchard Primary School

www.orchardprimary.com

22nd September 2023

MOROCCO EARTHQUAKE APPEAL



The Mufti-Day today to support the appeal for earthquakes in Morocco and the floods in Libya raised over £800. Thank you all so much for your very generous donations.

Secondary School Transfer

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

Closing date for Secondary School Transfer applications is 31.10.2023

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

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

WILSONJONES *Simply Fresh*

The menu is both on the website & on parentpay. Speak to your child about what they will be eating the following day and then please book your child's meal on parent pay—the meal is free but needs to be ordered in advance the day/evening before by you 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 but what they are eating is your choice and must be ordered in advance by you on parentpay.

The government already gives a free meal to Reception to year 2 and this should be ordered daily on parentpay as above.

If your child prefers they can still bring a healthy packed lunch instead.

Please ensure you have no meal debt on parentpay from last term as this will prevent you booking your child's free meal

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

The school uses SchoolPing to communicate information with parents and carers. Please download the app on your phone.

If you have a query on this or any school matter, please come to the school office. The school office is staffed 8.30am to 4.00pm.

School website: www.orchardprimary.com



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Week of 25th September 2023
Autumn after school clubs begin.

Reception children are in school next week until 1.45pm— please collect promptly.

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

School Streets

Orchard Primary is located within a zone where traffic is restricted at the start and end of the school day.

The School Street operates Monday—Friday during term time: 8.15am-9.15am and 2.45—3.45pm

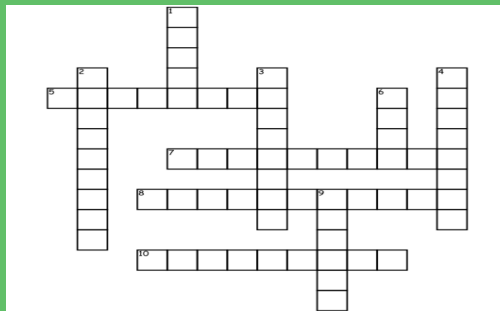
Access at this time is permitted for authorised vehicles only.

Find out more:

hounslow.gov.uk/schoolstreets

The Orchard Explorers

World Geography crossword this week.



Across

- 5. Largest lake in Africa (8 letters)
- 7. The southernmost continent (10 letters)
- 8. Longest river in North America (11 letters)
- 10. Largest island in the world (9 letters)

Down

- 1. One of the longest rivers in Africa (5 letters)
- 2. Mt Everest is part of this mountain chain (9 letters)
- 3. Mt. Kilimanjaro is in this country (8 letters)
- 4. This is an island off the coast of Australia (8 letters)
- 5. A volcanic mountain in Japan (4 letters)
- 9. The largest desert in the world (6 letters)

Answers next issue.

Answer for Issue 2: Japan



Juniper class (for a wonderful third week in a row!) and Sycamore class achieved the highest attendance for this week, the 18th to the 22nd 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 so absence can be authorised.

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

Thank you.