



The Orchard Primary School

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15th December 2023

You may have noticed we had some special visitors in school this week checking that we continue to be a great school. Thank you for all you did to support us which we appreciate very much indeed. We will have official news on this in the new year...

Next week we are hoping to have another special visitor...
Ho, Ho, Ho!



Year 4 Concert

On Tuesday evening and Wednesday morning, Year 4 performed a pantomime, 'Goldilocks and the Three Bears'. Everyone practiced lots and we had many rehearsals. There were 9 songs and on each song we sang, we needed to stand up!

Anahita, Willow class.

The Year 4 Team thank the parents for supporting the children and attending the shows. Congratulations Year 4 on wonderful performances

SCHOOL ALLOTMENT

After planting the seeds in year 4, these year 5 children picked the last of the vegetables they planted in the school allotment. As the tomatoes were still green, the cucumbers odd shapes, and the peppers looking too ornamental to chop into a salad, Year 5 shared the vegetables between themselves and reported that "they were the freshest and tastiest ever!"

Abdi, Samicah and Zainab - Aspen



SCHOOL INFORMATION

School telephone: 020 8570 6247

School email: parent@tops.hounslow.sch.uk
For enquiries or to update address or phone contact.

School website: www.orchardprimary.com



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Tuesday, 19th December 2023 Rock Steady Concert at 2pm

Wednesday, 20th December 2023 Christmas Parties

Wednesday, 20th December 2023 Last day of Nursery

Thursday, 21st December 2023 at 1.30pm

School breaks up for the holidays (please remember it's early closing)

Monday, 8th January 2024

Spring Term—children in school

Thanks to everyone who supported the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal.



This week we received notice that Orchard Primary School raised £369.34. This money will make a real difference to those formerly in the armed forces community.



Orchard Primary School is monitored by CCTV 24/7 for the safety and security of our school community.



The Orchard Globetrotting Guild

Where in the world is Subhan?

Yes that's correct! It was Laos last week.

Today I went north of Laos.

I went to the highest mountain in Europe. It's called Mount Elbrus and it was freezing. I also went to Kivach Falls, a waterfall, where it was really busy.



I went to St. Basil Cathedral, it was full of colours and it kind of reminds me of Christmas. I went to the Church of the Savior on Spilled Blood and someone told me that it was built during 1883 and 1907. I was fascinated by the view of it.



I also went on a Trans Siberian Express railway ride. It was so picturesque! When I went to a restaurant, I tried a cooked fish meal called black sea barabulka and it was really tasty.



Laurel class and Beech class achieved the highest attendance for this week, the 11th to the 15th December 2023.

Every school day does matter.



Thank you for your support with attendance. This week:

YR. GROUP	ATTENDANCE %
Yr. 6	94
Yr. 5	94
Yr. 4	93
Yr. 3	92
Yr. 2	90
Yr. 1	87
REC.	87
Nursery	88

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, or has been at the hospital, please provide an appointment card, hospital discharge letter 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.