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### Rugby

Last week, our rugby team of 10 set off to go to Chatsworth Primary School. We were very confident because Miss Glassman and Miss Nangle had taught us very well. When we arrived, the organiser of the rugby event told us the safety rules. We won the first match automatically because the other team didn't turn up. Sadly, that was the only one we won. Amaru scored a few tries and me and Mannat were great at tagging. At the end, we had all enjoyed ourselves and once again gathered around the organiser. Generously, the Harlequin's school had given us tickets to see the rugby match for the Saturday! They also gave personalised caps for people who they thought had done exceptionally well. Surprisingly I had been given a cap for myself. Robert had also been given a cap for fantastic defending. After we got back to Orchard, my parent had kindly given us a huge box of 20 doughnuts for our hard work. I think we deserved it!



Sarah Year 5 Sequoia class

### Dates for your Diary

- 17.02-21.02 Half Term
- 24.02.2020 Teacher Training Day (NO SCHOOL)
- 02.03.2020 National Offer Day—Secondary Schools
- 16.04.2020 National Offer Day—Reception Class

### ATTENDANCE

Congratulations to **PECAN** and **WILLOW** who achieved the highest attendance during the last week!



### Nursery Forms

Application forms for September 2020 are available to print from

[www.hounslow.gov.uk/nurseryadmissions](http://www.hounslow.gov.uk/nurseryadmissions)

or from the school office

Please see the starting nursery class in a Hounslow School September 2020 brochure, for more information.

Please remember to submit the forms to us with a copy of your current council tax bill (or tenancy agreement) and a birth certificate.

The closing date is 1st May 2020.

### School Ping

We are using School Ping to send school messages, so if you haven't already, please log on and get started....if you have any issues please see the office.



It was great to see so many of you at our reading workshop for parents and carers of Year 3 & Year 4 parents on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> January. For those of you who were not able to attend, here are the key messages from the presentation:

- 1) As parents / carers it is important that we encourage and support a love of reading in our children by reading to them and listening to them reading. We should model and take the time to enjoy reading ourselves (newspapers, books, magazines).
- 2)  You need two working wheels.
- 3) Reading books beyond our children's reading ability listening to audio books while children are improving their reading fluency so that they are exposed to more interesting stories, vocabulary and language.
- 4) Register with Oxford Owl to access free resources



### PARKING NEAR ORCHARD SCHOOL

Just a reminder that we need to consider the residents of Orchard Road/Benham Gardens and people's safety when delivering children to school by car. We are happy to note that things have slightly improved, but there are still instances of parking across driveways, double parking, traffic jams and angry exchanges with residents who are being trapped in their homes, and unable to drive up or down Orchard Road. Please remember: let oncoming cars through one at a time when there is a space beside you, do not park across driveways, and for the children's safety DO NOT stop your car outside the main gate. The Council's Parking Wardens and the Police are regularly patrolling the area and we don't want anyone to get a ticket! We know it's difficult, but whenever you can, please leave the car at home and walk your children to school.

