



The Orchard Primary School

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21st April 2023

Welcome back!  
It's lovely to have the children in school, rested and ready for this busy Summer Term.

As you know, the school held an Easter Raffle at the end of last term. As a result of your generosity, we raised a fabulous £457, we have been able to buy some plants and seeds for our Orchard Garden.

Our Garden is well established now. It won't be long until our courgettes, beetroots, chillies, potatoes and herbs are ready to pick. We would not have been able to purchase any of these items without your kind support. Many thanks.



### REMINDERS

Please bring a named water bottle into school each day for your child.

When the weather is warmer, please also remember to apply sun cream on your child (before they come to school) and provide a named sun hat.

Please also put your child's name in any clothing that they wear or bring to school. This helps items from being given to the wrong child or lost. Lost property is kept outside the Medical/Welfare Room.



### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Week of 24th April 2023  
Summer Term Clubs Start Football (Monday), Martial Arts (Tuesday), Game Building (Thursday) and Art (Friday)

Thursday, 27th April and Tuesday, 2nd May 2023  
National Education Union (NEU) industrial action (to be confirmed)

Friday, 28th April 2023  
Aspen class assembly, Junior Hall

Monday, 1st May 2023  
Bank Holiday



Redwood class and Nursery (afternoon) class achieved the highest attendance for this week, the 17th to 21st April 2023



Every school day does matter.

### Attendance Week 27th—31st March

Attendance in the last week of the Spring Term is as below. As a school we need to improve on this—our whole school expectation is 96%.

We thank you for your support in focusing on attendance.

| YEAR GROUP   | ATTENDANCE PERCENTAGE |
|--------------|-----------------------|
| Year 6       | 96                    |
| Year 5       | 96                    |
| Year 4       | 91                    |
| Year 3       | 92                    |
| Year 2       | 93                    |
| Year 1       | 92                    |
| Reception    | 83                    |
| Nursery      | 80                    |
| Whole School | 91                    |

### Special Mention

During the school holidays, Prayas and Aditya attended a 'Jam Coding' gaming course and were delighted to win the 'Digital Superstars' trophy.

Congratulations to you both!



We would be very pleased to receive news of your child's achievements for our newsletter.

Email: parent@tops.hounslow.sch.uk

We continue to be concerned about the punctuality and attendance of the children at this time.

### 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.

We want the children in on time and ready to learn.

### 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 email details (appointment & time) to the absence email. If collecting early to take your child to an appointment, please also include this in your email.

Thank you.