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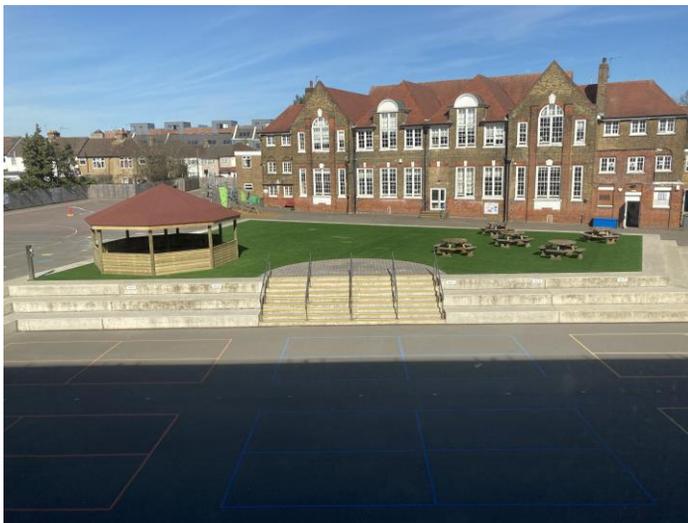
April 2021



## Green Heart

We are delighted to announce that the first phase of further improvements to our outdoor spaces has been completed.

Our new Green Heart area is now open and includes a great outdoor classroom, a lovely playing surface and a picnic table area for pupils to relax and spend time with their friends.



Value of  
the month



## Patience

- Not rushing
- Letting others go first
- Happily waiting for your go



Article 13 : Your right to have information.



Article 31 : You have the right to play and relax



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## Get Set Travel to Tokyo



This term pupils at Whitefriars have begun an exciting project created by Sports England called Get Set Travel To Tokyo. The project is linked to the Olympic games that will be held this year in Tokyo, Japan. The aim of the project is to get

every pupil in the school physically active over the coming weeks. The pupils accumulate kilometres each week to help everyone in the school gain enough kilometres to get to Tokyo. The winners are the class/house who gain the most kilometres. Good luck to all our pupils!



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## Dates for May...

- 3<sup>rd</sup> ~ School closed - Bank Holiday Monday
- 21<sup>st</sup> ~ Early closure Secondary Section
- 27<sup>th</sup> ~ Early closure Secondary Section - last day before Half Term
- 28<sup>th</sup> ~ Staff Training Day - Secondary Section
- 28<sup>th</sup> ~ Primary - last day before Half Term
- 31<sup>st</sup> - 4<sup>th</sup> June ~ Half Term
- 7<sup>th</sup> June ~ Secondary pupils return to school
- 7<sup>th</sup> June ~ Staff Training Day - Primary Section
- 8<sup>th</sup> June ~ Primary pupils return to school

## Spanish



Pupils in Years 4, 5 and 6 have started their new Spanish lessons. They were all excited to start learning a new language and to learn about a different culture. In their first lessons the children were introduced to the country of Spain, its culture and other Spanish speaking countries around the world.

## Music



Year 3 have started learning about Ravi Shankar. They listened to 'Banjara' and discovered the different instruments used in the piece. They created a music piece using their body. They stomped their feet, clapped their hands and tapped their knees. Year 3 enjoyed this activity immensely!



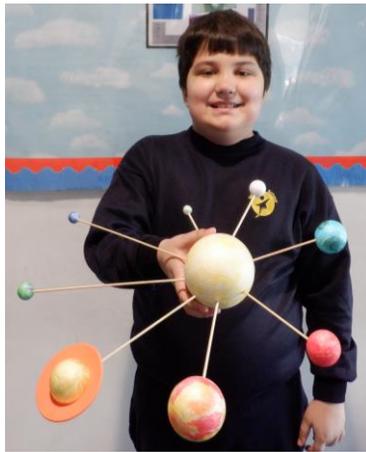
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## Our Solar System

In preparation for their new topic 'What is Earth's role in space?', Year 5 created their own models of our solar system over the Easter holidays. They researched our solar system and included their findings in their models. Well done Year 5!



Article 28: Your right to learn and go to school.

## Swimming Lessons



Year 6 have started swimming lessons at Harrow Leisure Centre. This is an amazing opportunity for them to learn new skills and most importantly life skills that will help them remain safe in and around water. The pupils all did exceptionally well in their first swimming assessment. Activities included practicing kicking in water and blowing bubbles under water to help with underwater breathing. Amel from Chamaeleon said "I really enjoyed the first session, I had the chance to practice skills that I have never done before. My favourite part was walking back and forth in water which was actually quite tricky!"



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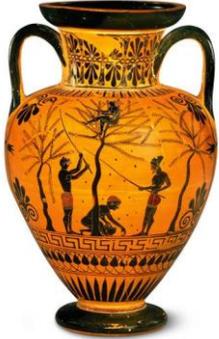


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## Latin and Classics



Years 7, 8 and 9 have been looking at what elements are used in classical mythology. Pupils have been looking closely at Ancient Greek beliefs and how that impacted Greek mythology and story-telling. They have been looking at different ways these stories are represented, such as pottery. In the upcoming weeks, pupils will be learning about Greek heroes and the origins of the Olympic Games.

## Geography



In Geography KS3 pupils are learning about the sustainability features of the Tokyo Olympics. The Olympic Village is going to be run completely on

renewable energy and the buses will run on hydrogen fuel cells. In addition the medals that will be awarded during the games have been made from recycled electronic waste. People across Japan have donated their old phones to provide the raw materials to make the medals.



Also the furniture of the Olympic Village is being designed to be collapsible - even the beds have been made out of cardboard to reduce waste. It is hoped that these will be the

most environmentally friendly Olympics ever and show the world how it is possible to live more sustainably in the future.

## GCSE Food Preparation



GCSE Food Preparation and Nutrition pupils are looking at the functions and chemical properties of food. They have carried out a number of exciting food experiments this term.

## GCSE Design Technology



Year 10 GCSE Design and Technology pupils have been making their own felt using wool fibres. They also learnt the processes all fibres go through before becoming whole pieces of fabric. Some pupils chose to mix multiple colours of wool and also create their own decorative designs. These will be sewn together to create a piece of art for display in the Design and Technology room.



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## School Awards

Congratulations to the following pupils who achieved their Bronze, Silver and Gold Awards this month:



### BRONZE AWARDS:

Bhakti – 3 Cassiopeia  
Arushi – 3 Cassiopeia  
Aiza – 4 Corvus  
Moriah – 5 Leo  
Daniela – 5 Leo  
Alayna – 3 Aquarius  
Imaan -3 Aquarius  
Joel – 5 Aquila



### SILVER AWARDS:

Ridwan – 5 Leo  
Chand – 5 Leo  
Skomantas – 5 Leo  
Ibrahim – 5 Leo  
Habib – 5 Leo  
Khushi – 5 Aquila  
Alex – 5 Aquila



### GOLD AWARDS:

Edward – Andromeda  
Omran – Chamaeleon  
Mafaaza – Draco  
Aissatou – Draco  
Evie – Draco  
David - Draco



### BRONZE AWARDS:

Tyra – 8 Baneker  
Srishiv – 8 Baneker  
Elizabeth – 8 Baneker  
Noah – 8 Baneker  
Hassan – 8 Baneker  
Mawa – 7 Kusama  
Sarah – 7 Kusama  
Lucas – 7 Kusama  
Kayon – 7 Kusama  
Josiah – 7 Hockney  
Anas – 7 Hockney  
Yasir – 7 Kusama  
Aaliyah – 7 Hockney  
Rai – 7 Hockney  
Nivriti – 7 Wiley



### SILVER AWARDS:

Tyra – 8 Baneker  
Hargun – 7 Kapoor  
Daniel-Beneamin – 7 Kapoor  
Henry – 7 Kapoor  
Mohamed – 7 Kapoor  
Lukas – 7 Hockney  
Tia – 7 Hockney  
Elise – 7 Kapoor  
Sahil – 7 Kapoor  
Annie – 7 Kapoor  
Om – 7 Wiley  
Nadia – 7 Kapoor  
Sushant – 7 Hockney  
Ehsan – 7 Kahlo  
Abdur – 7 Kapoor  
Nico – 7 Kapoor



### GOLD AWARDS:

Tyra – 8 Baneker  
Zackariah – 7 Kapoor  
Shamina – 7 Kahlo  
Joshua – 7 Hockney  
Atharv – 7 Kusama



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## Get Set Travel to Tokyo Certificates

Congratulations to the following Primary section pupils who have begun their journey to Tokyo and achieved their first Get Set Tokyo Certificates:

Zuzanna ~ Pictor  
Amalia ~ Pavo  
Diane ~ 1 Cygnus  
Mia ~ 1 Centaurus

Arohi ~ 2 Perseus  
Fahd ~ 2 Phoenix  
Smrithi ~ 3 Aquarius  
Richard ~ 3 Orion

Magan ~ 4 Hercules  
Younis ~ 5 Aquila  
Shan ~ 5 Leo