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December 2021



## Christmas Card Competition



Reception to Year 6 pupils entered the Harrow Christmas Card competition organised by the Leader of Harrow Council, Cllr. Graham Henson. Children sketched their designs and used different techniques and skills to produce their wonderful designs using paint, felt tip pen, crayons and colouring pencils. We are delighted to announce that the Mayor of Harrow loved Arushi's design and he will be using this for his Christmas card this year.

We would like to say congratulations to Arushi for her amazing design.

## Festive Jumper Day and Christmas Lunch



On Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December it was Festive Jumper Day at Whitefriars School. The pupils really enjoyed wearing their favourite festive jumpers. On the same day chef Branko and his team served Christmas lunch to all our pupils and staff. It was a wonderful festive occasion.



Value of the month



## Resilience

- Moving forward positively after a problem
- Working together when things get tricky
- Trying hard not to give up or be negative



Article 13 : Your right to have information.

## Dates for January...

- 4<sup>th</sup> – Staff Training Day
- 5<sup>th</sup> – Primary Pupils Return to School
- 5<sup>th</sup> – Year 11 Pupils Return to School
- 5<sup>th</sup> – Year 11 Parents' Evening
- 6<sup>th</sup> – Year 7, 8 and 12 Pupils Return to School
- 7<sup>th</sup> – Year 9 and 10 Pupils Return to School



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## EYFS Christmas Production



Nursery and Reception worked very hard on their Christmas Performance 'Shine Star Shine'. They have been busy learning songs, actions and acting out the story and they also became movie stars when we filmed their performance for their parents to see. Well done EYFS!

## Film Club



The pupils in Year 3 and Year 4 Film Club have enjoyed watching and discussing different films. They particularly enjoyed 'Vivo' as it features lots of jokes, a great story line and some very catchy songs. The children have shared their opinions and have compared the films to ones they have seen previously.

## Year 1 Theatre Workshop



This half term Year 1 took part in a drama workshop. They acted out the story of 'The Three Little Pigs'. They had to build houses made of straw, sticks and bricks and had to use their imagination to create a house with windows, a door and a roof. When the big bad wolf came and blew their house down, they had to fall to the ground.

## Year 1 Production



Year 1 did a brilliant job performing their play to the rest of the Primary section pupils. They acted and sang with great enthusiasm and the audience thoroughly enjoyed their production. The teachers were very proud of them. Well done Year 1!

## The Wind in the Willows



On Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> December, Primary section pupils had the pleasure of welcoming the Wizard Theatre for their performance of 'The Wind in the Willows'. They watched the actors bringing the story to life with their brilliant singing, acting and props. The pupils really enjoyed their funny acting skills and costumes which had them laughing through the whole performance.



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## Verulamium Trip

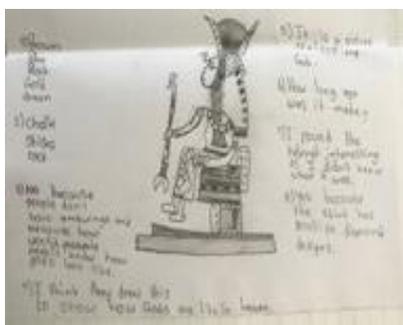


Year 3 went on an amazing trip to Verulamium in St Albans. They saw lots of Roman remains, that gave them a great insight about what life was like in Roman Britain. They saw beautiful mosaics, a hypocaust, a theatre and the remains of a wall. They walked around the museum and saw lots of

Roman artefacts, it was great to see examples of all the things we had been learning about in class. After that, they handled different Roman artefacts and learnt how the Romans would have used each of these items.

## Winter Arts Day

Pupils from Nursery to Year 6 were drawing, sketching and painting using water colours and pastels. They looked at various artists and themes and had a lovely day creating lots of brilliant art work.



## Talk it, Solve it



Talk it - Solve it Club created opportunities for pupils to explore mathematical ideas. Pupils played fun mathematical games which encouraged them to compare different strategies through discussion. Through solving mathematical puzzles they gained computational fluency and enjoyed finding relationships among numbers. They extended their mathematical knowledge by exploring different ways of thinking to solve problems.



Article 15: Your right to meet with friends and join groups and clubs.



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## Year 9 Energy Workshop



Year 9 took part in a Energy Quest workshop which was run by Engineering UK. In this workshop they found out about sustainable energy sources and looked at associated engineering careers. They also had a chance to find out how to create a battery using an orange. They then took on their own roles as engineers to solve a variety of problems. Fantastic effort from all of Year 9.

## Art Workshop

Our Sixth Form Art pupils had an excellent two day workshop with visiting ceramicist, Jo Veevers. Jo explored a number of different media with the pupils and their final outcomes were a collection of ceramic tiles based on portraiture.



## Brunel University Trip



Year 12 pupils visited Brunel University campus to gain valuable experience of what university education looks and feels like. During the day they attended sessions on choosing courses, learnt how to achieve entry requirements and gained helpful tips on financing their journey through their university years. Student Ambassadors answered lots of questions to help them understand the importance of their studies.



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Article 29 : Your right to become the best that you can be.



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## School Awards

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

### Primary Section School Awards

#### BRONZE AWARDS:

Abdullah – 5 Leo  
Athena – 3 Orion  
Noel – 5 Pisces

#### SILVER AWARDS:

Siddhant – 5 Leo  
David – 5 Leo  
Shariq – 5 Leo  
Kawthar – 5 Leo  
Jazara – 6 Andromeda  
Modaser – 5 Aquila  
Daniel – 5 Aquila

#### GOLD AWARDS:

Abaan – 5 Aquila  
Naisha – 6 Andromeda



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### Secondary Section School Awards

#### BRONZE AWARDS:

Joseph – 8 Hockney  
Logan – 8 Hockney  
Mohamad – 8 Kahlo  
Zackariah – 8 Kapoor  
Emre – 8 Kahlo  
Lukas – 8 Hockney  
Kayla – 8 Kusama  
Zikriya – 8 Kahlo  
Raihan – 8 Hockney  
Anaya – 8 Hockney  
Prachi – 8 Kahlo  
Haziq – 8 Wiley  
Bedangshi – 8 Hockney  
Brooke – 8 Kahlo  
Hussen – 8 Hockney  
Selina – 9 Lovelace  
Liban – 9 Banneker  
Lola – 9 Johnson  
Ajahai – 9 Johnson

Ana – 9 Johnson  
Wiktorija – 9 Johnson  
Sufa – 9 Banneker  
Ibrahim – 9 Johnson  
Nawid – 9 Banneker  
Manar – 9 Johnson  
Uesli – 9 Banneker  
Yaqoub – 9 Johnson  
Fatima – 9 Banneker  
Tyra – 9 Banneker  
Ptryk – 9 Banneker  
Amalia – 9 Johnson  
Gabriela – 9 Johnson  
Vladislav – 9 Banneker  
Alessia – 9 Johnson  
Larisa – 9 Banneker  
Cayden – 9 Johnson  
Abdirahman – 9 Johnson  
Anusheh – 9 Turing

Elizabeth – 9 Banneker  
Vlad – 9 Lovelace  
Daniela – 9 Lovelace  
Thoha – 7 Carver  
Krishnam – 7 Carver  
Jakub – 7 Carver  
Zala – 7 Carver  
Ana – 7 Carver  
Oana Maria – 9  
Germain

#### SILVER AWARDS:

Asher – 7 Carver  
Hudeyfah – 8 Hockney  
Kenneth – 8 Wiley  
Josiah – 8 Hockney  
Shamina – 8 Kahlo  
Zikriya – 8 Kahlo  
Raihan – 8 Hockney

Hamzah – 8 Kahlo  
Salih – 8 Kusama  
Fatema – 8 Kusama  
Laila – 9 Johnson  
Atharva – 9 Johnson  
Manthan – 9 Johnson  
Saumya – 9 Johnson  
Abdul – 9 Johnson  
Elizabeth – 9 Banneker  
Maryama – 7 Carver  
Hadia – 7 Carver  
Qasim – 7 Carver  
Sophie – 7 carver  
Zala – 7 Carver  
Neev – 7 Carver  
Rhys – 7 Carver  
Esha – 9 Germain  
Neha – 9 Germain  
Denis – 9 Germain

