



Thursday 1st October 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a busy week at Leopold Primary School where we have been focusing on our learning in the classroom. I have enjoyed looking at the outstanding work that our pupils are producing in class. In year 6 I have seen fantastic writing on protecting the environment. I was very encouraged to see the high quality of work being produced throughout the school and the pride and presentation in the children's work. Take a look at an outstanding poem from Ieva in year 6 Hawthorn's class at the end of this newsletter.

Congratulations



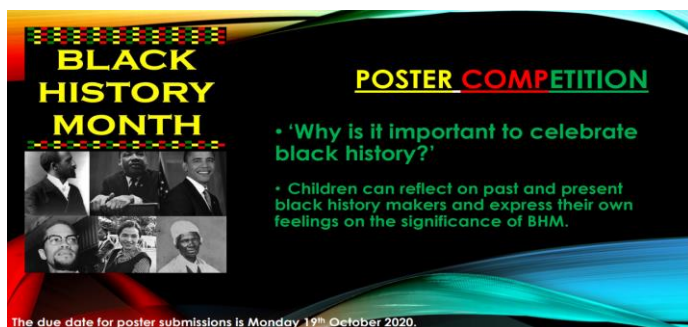
We would like to congratulate both Ms Harvey and Ms Ryan who have had health and happy babies! We wish them all the best during this special time. They are very grateful

for all of the well wishes, gifts and cards from the Leopold community.

Black History Month

Welcome to Black History Month! The pupils at Leopold will be taking part in many exciting lessons during the month. By the end of this month every class will have produced an article detailing how they commemorated Black History month this year. They will record first-person accounts about their thoughts on Black History month and its inspirational figures.

We have also asked pupils to take part in a poster competition. This will highlight why pupils think it is important to celebrate Black History. Please continue to read the newsletter to get further updates on how we are celebrating Black History Month at Leopold.



Highlights of the week



Stars of the week:

- Nursery Rainbow:** Ezra
- R Galaxy:** Israfil
- R Starlight:** Mustafa
- Year 1 Olive:** Baharan & Haleemah
- Year 1 Holly:** Kaashini
- Year 2 Birch:** Farahanah & Minhajul
- Year 2 Cherry:** Kai & Malik
- Year 3 Pine:** Ayra & Kandes
- Year 3 Magnolia:** Aaron
- Year 4 Hazel:** Elijah a& Zaina
- Year 4 Sycamore:** Zara and Harley
- Year 5 Eucalyptus:** Anas & Elsa
- Year 5 Fern:** Salvador
- Year 6 Hawthorn:** Naimah & Hekmatullah
- Year 6 Mulberry:** Shaiel & Jamie

Pupils with outstanding achievements in creativity were given books to celebrate their achievement. Well done to Kobi (5 Eucalyptus), Ayman (2 Cherry) and Tafari (Nursery)!

I am delighted to inform you that Nyala Allen-Koh has been awarded a JLC/BMS Scholarship for 2020-21. This Scholarship will enable Nyala to have free Music tuition lessons with Brent Music School. Well done Nyala!



MacMillan Cancer Support



It has been wonderful to see so many donations to our MacMillan cake sale today. Thank you to everyone in the Leopold community who donated so generously to our collection for the *MacMillan Cancer Charity*. MacMillan have been supporting families with cancer for over 100 years. Our donations will help to fund their specialist nurses who work with cancer patients and their families. We will let you know next week the total amount raised. To find out more visit their website <https://www.macmillan.org.uk/>

Nursey places



There are Nursery places available at our school. Please contact the school office or Zena Meigan, our Early Years coordinator for more information. You can also see a virtual tour of our Early Years on the school website. <http://www.leopoldprimary.co.uk/early-years-tour/>

Fruit



At Leopold, fruit is provided as a snack for every child. For this reason, you do not need to provide additional snacks for your children. If you have any queries regarding snack time please speak to your child's teacher via class dojo.

Reading record



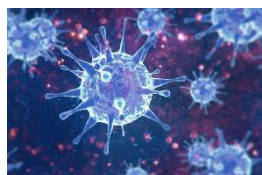
Please remember to read with your child and sign their reading record daily. If you have any questions regarding reading, please contact your child's teacher via class dojo.

Reminder- Secondary School Admissions



If your child is in Year 6, you will need to apply for a place at your preferred secondary schools. The deadline for completion is **31st October 2020**. All secondary schools in Brent have open evenings or mornings for parents. We would recommend that you visit all the schools that you are thinking of applying for to find out more about the school. Due to the current situation, most of the open mornings/evenings will be held virtually. Please visit our website for more information. <http://www.leopoldprimary.co.uk/secondary/>

What to do if your child is displaying symptoms of Coronavirus (COVID 19)



Before making the journey into school, you must stop and ask yourself these questions:

1. Does your child have a new, continuous cough?
2. A high temperature?
3. Loss of, or change in, their normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia).

If you answered **YES** to any of the above, you must not come to school- you must call 111 for advice.



If your child becomes unwell during the school day they will be sent home and you are advised to follow the guidance for households with possible, or confirmed Coronavirus (COVID-19) infection.

As per guidance, the household must:

- self-isolate for at least 10 days
- arrange to have a test to see if they have coronavirus (COVID-19)

We advise all parents/caregivers to maintain social distance guidelines (1m+) outside of the school gates and wear PPE.

Yours Faithfully,

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Acting Head of School

Attendance

Congratulations to Year 2 Cherry (99%) and Reception Galaxy (97%) with the highest attendance last week!

Dates

Half Term: Mon 26th-30th October
 Year 6 Secondary Application Deadline: Sat 31st October
 Friday 23rd Oct: McMillan own clothes day. Pupils can donate £1 and wear green, purple or white in support of McMillan Cancer research.



I woke up on this wonderful, cold day feeling great.
The beautiful furry polar bears greeted me in the water.
Curious penguins said hello with their dancing feet.
My morning had started out great, and I couldn't wait for the day ahead of me!
Despite all this, something was different...
It was if it was warmer, even though I'm cold.
Maybe I'm just dreaming, who knows?

I'm trying to hide my fear of what might happen to me and my family!
I've noticed that I'm slowly dying, breaking into pieces.
At times I even start melting!
I watch over the penguins now, and I see them hide in the mountains.
~~The polar bears never visit anymore.~~
Most of my family has passed.
I'm lonely and fighting the pain of death ahead of me.

The--re is ba-re-ly any-m-ore of me--.
I- ~~can't~~ can't take any-mo-re.
Hum-ans break ea-c-h piece o-f me.
I hate a-ll of th-em, I wish it was back to the way it was.
We, as natural habitats need to stop this!
Stop polluting us, destroying us.

Instead, do the opposite, like saving me and my world, my planet.
Do what you feel fight...
Except pushing us down and killing us.

There is one part of me left...
I feel weak and I can't feel myself.
Wait a minute, what's that?
It looks like... I'm cracking.
Before I go, I just want to say,
Save our plane-

(Ieva year 6 Hawthorne)