



WEEKLY FOCUS

Friday 15th March 2024

Dear Parent and Carers

شَهْرُ رَمَضَانَ الَّذِي أُنْزِلَ فِيهِ الْقُرْآنُ هُدًى لِّلنَّاسِ وَبَيِّنَاتٍ مِّنَ الْهُدَى وَالْفُرْقَانِ
فَمَن شَهِدَ مِّنْكُمْ الشَّهْرَ فَلْيَصُمْهُ ۖ وَمَن كَانَ مَرِيضًا أَوْ عَلَى سَفَرٍ فَعِدَّةٌ مِّنْ أَيَّامٍ أُخَرَ ۗ
يُرِيدُ اللَّهُ بِكُمُ الْيُسْرَ وَلَا يُرِيدُ بِكُمُ الْعُسْرَ وَلِتُكْمِلُوا الْعِدَّةَ وَلِتُكَبِّرُوا اللَّهَ عَلَى مَا
هَدَاكُمْ وَلَعَلَّكُمْ تَشْكُرُونَ

On Monday the school came together in Collective Worship to think about the period of Ramadan. Mrs Rasheed read – beautifully - from the Quran, and she explained how she would be using this holy month to reflect on her faith and become closer to Allah. The children had lots of questions, and I know that they will be thinking about those of you in our community who are fasting at the moment.

Wednesday was Young Carers' Action Day and Mrs Haynes and our team of young carers spoke to the school about what it means to be a young carer. We reflected on our school value of love, and what this can look like in a variety of different circumstances. We are very lucky at Horsell Junior to have a team of volunteers from St Mary's who come into school to work with our young carers, and Mrs Haynes does a fantastic job of co-ordinating lots of different activities for the group.

Best wishes,
Mrs Wand

KEY DATES FOR 15TH—22ND MARCH

YEAR 6 MOCK SATS WEEK

Friday 15th March	Palm Class Assembly , 8:55am prompt. Please note hot drinks cannot be brought into the hall. Photography is not permitted.
Tuesday 19th March	Year 3 & 4 Cross Country Competition , Hoe Bridge School (by invitation), 4-5pm
Wednesday 20th March	Voice In A Million (VIAM) 2024 , children participating leave at 12noon. Year 5&6 Rugby Tournament , Chobham Rugby Club, 15:10—17:30 (by invitation)

NEW LUNCH MENU!

We have a new lunch menu from 15th April, and can be booked up until May half term on Scopay. Please do take a look at the options with your children and book any meals required after the Easter Holidays at least 8 days in advance.



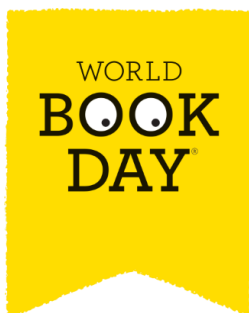


DOUGHNUT SALE

Thurs 28th March

The Horsell Village School	The Horsell Junior School
1:00pm - 1:30pm	1:15pm - 1:45pm

£1/ doughnut
nut free
(eggs, soya & milk free options available)
Cash & card accepted



Volcano, eruption



Oompa Loompa Potatoes



Tom Gates Diorama



We were amazed by the creativity of our children—and staff—last week. They really embraced our theme of coming dressed as an “adventurous word” on Book Day itself, and we received a truly wonderful array of entries to our Book Diorama, Potato Book Character and 100 word story competitions.

We were also delighted to see that so many of our children read every day for a week in the run up to world book day. It is clear that many of our children share our passion for literature, and are inspired by what they read.

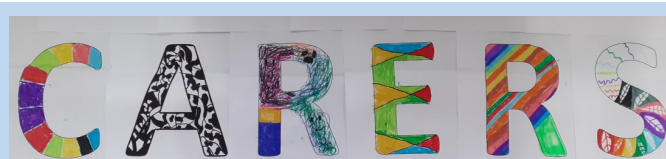
The [book dioramas](#) and [potato book characters](#) have been on display in our lovely library, for all to admire. Mrs Brinicombe created videos, which were shared in our Book Day assembly and also on our website (click the links above to watch them). With everything from Supertato and Mr Men, to Harry Potter, War of the Worlds and everything in between—the entries surpassed all expectations!

We hope that the children enjoyed expanding their vocabulary and celebrating the written word!



Ancient, decrepit,
antique, venerated...

Children recently came home with Scholastic brochures. If you order using our unique link, <https://shop.scholastic.co.uk/schools/horsell>, the school will be given credits to spend on books for the school. Scholastic offer free delivery on orders over £30.



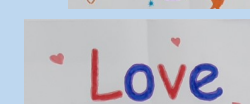
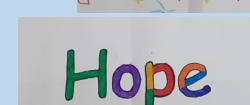
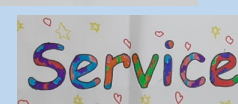
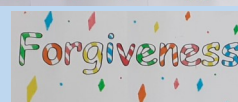
Wednesday 14 March was Young Carers Action Day.

A selection of our own Young Carers presented a moving assembly for Young Carers Action Day. All of the children had been involved in preparing the assembly by providing words to form an acrostic poem about YOUNG CARERS and also how our Young Carers undertake each of our school values in their roles at home looking after their loved ones and being a support to the other members of their family. All of the children were also involved in colouring in the letters for the acrostic poem and the values (see attached pictures).

We were pleased that Dmitry Lutsenko and Mike Couper were able to join us from St Mary's Church as we are very grateful to the financial contributions St Mary's make to fund our activities. The children also sang, accompanied by Mr Couper on the piano.

We were also pleased to see Mrs Greenwood (as a volunteer) who represented our dedicated group of volunteers who come to help with the support group run in school.

The children were able to thank them for all that they do.





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