



Newsletter No. 7 harlandsprimaryschool.org Thursday, 22nd October 2026

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Birds

Year 2 had a wonderful time earlier today when they enjoyed a visit from Huxley's Birds of Prey.








Birds



The children were able to watch how the birds flew to their handler, especially when the handler had a piece of food available as a reward.



To finish, some of the children had the opportunity to get up really close to these beautiful birds.

Visitor for Year 1



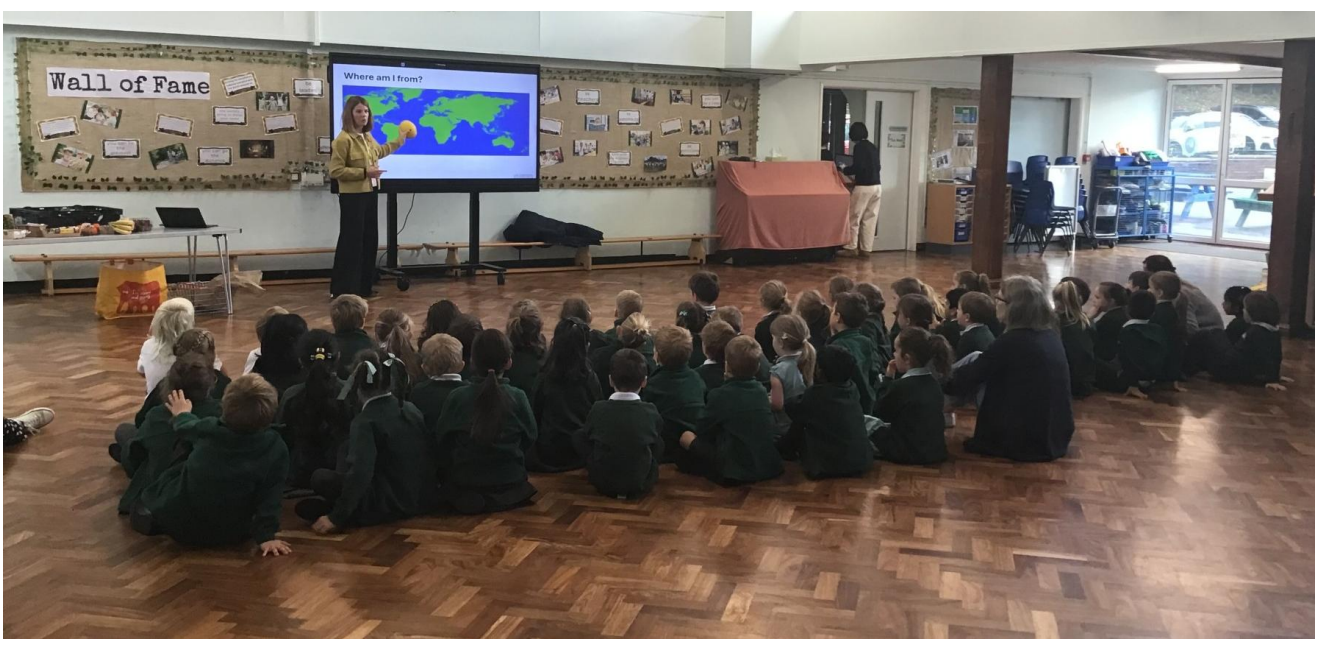
Year 1 had a very special visitor this week - Ralf's mummy came in to tell us all about the journey **fruit and vegetables** take to get to supermarkets.

We learnt about the different climates preferred by different fruit and the people involved in getting fruit and veg to us. We learnt so much and our teachers were very proud of how respectful we were.

Thanks to Mrs Kelly for offering to come in!

Who helps us to have fruit?





Diwali

Swara, supported by Jeslie (in Year 5), prepared and presented a fantastic and informative assembly on Wednesday all about Diwali.

Swara confidently explained the different celebrations that take place across the days of Diwali and shared her excitement about celebrating it with relatives.

Swara also answered questions from the audience about what she is most looking forward to, sharing her knowledge and personal experiences brilliantly.



At Harlands we are Responsible
At Harlands we are Optimistic
At Harlands we are Confident
At Harlands we are Kind
At Harlands we are Tolerant
At Harlands we are Respectful
At Harlands we are Critical Thinkers

Cross Country



Earlier this week, a number of children took part in a cross country event against other schools at Whitemans Green.





Out of those taking part from Harlands, the top finishers were:

- Year 5 Boys Race: 2nd place – Otto, 3rd place – Emilio
- Year 6 Girls Race: 1st place – Chloe



Borde Hill Halloween Trail



Following on from Newsletter No 5 where we reported on the making of **Silas** the Scarecrow by children in Year 3, we are delighted to share a picture of him in situ, as the first scarecrow on Borde Hill's Halloween Trail which is open from now until 1 November.

People who help us

Charlie T's dad came in to talk to Apple and Cherry Class today about his job as a Head of Nursing. He enthralled the children by talking about working at Guy's and St Thomas' Hospital and the Evelina London Children's Hospital to get people better and to care for his employees. Thank you for all that you do!



Admin matters

Payment reminders:

- **Year 6 Trip to Drusillas Park** – payment overdue
- **Year 5 Fishbourne Roman Palace** – paymentover
- **Year 6 Residential** – ongoing monthly instalments

DIARY DATES

Friday, 23 October	INSET DAY
Monday 26-Friday 30 October	HALF TERM
Friday, 6 November	Year 6 to Drusillas
Wk beg 9 November	**Extended Parent Consultations**
Wednesday, 11 November	Year 5 to Fishbourne
	Year 6 Remembrance Service
Monday, 16-Friday 20 November	Year 6 Bikeability
Friday, 20 November	School Photographer
Friday, 27 November	PTA Cake Sale
Tuesday, 1 December	Flu vaccinations
Saturday, 5 December	PTA Winter Trail 5.00-7.30pm
Wednesday, 9 December	EYFS Nativity @ 9.30am
Thursday, 10 December	Year 1 Nativity @ 9.30am
Friday, 11 December	Year 2 Nativity @ 9.30am
	Christmas Jumper Day
Monday, 14 December	KS2 Carol Service (1) pm
Tuesday, 15 December	KS2 Carol Service (2) pm
Thursday, 17 December	GoCatering Christmas Lunches
	School Christmas parties
Friday, 18 December	Last day of term

