



UNDERHILL SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Monday 2nd November 2020

Lunch menu: Autumn Menu Week 1

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HEAD'S CORNER

We hope everyone had a restful (if a bit wet) half term break. It has been great to see all the children return to school today with such enthusiasm.

Thank you to all the children who have entered our school logo competition. Don't forget that this is running until Friday 6th November so there is still time to get your entries in. Please email a picture of your design to us at head@underhill.barnetmail.net

Hot school lunches returned today and despite a couple of teething issues, the children's behaviour in the canteen was excellent and everyone was enjoying having a delicious hot meal.

This half term we will be focusing on the second of our 'Be' words; Be confident. All staff will be giving the children stickers everytime we spot them being confident and in class and assemblies, we will be looking at strategies and techniques for the children to use to support them in building up their confidence.

Wishing everyone a great week,

Jennie Reed and Nicola Hayles

CLUBS

Unfortunately with the new Government restrictions announced at the weekend, all clubs have had to be postponed for the time being.

Our Breakfast and After school club will both be open as normal and places can be booked via your School Money account.

RECEPTION

In Reception this week we have been thinking about our homes and our families. We have made our own houses and decorated them, even adding our own door numbers. Inside we have drawn our family members, named them and then counted how many there are including pets! We have been reading stories about houses such as Peach at Last and A New House for Mouse.

We have also set up some exciting new areas in our classrooms such as Drawing Club and The Message Centre. The children have been writing secret messages for each other. Noah's message was about a volcano outside in the playground! What secret message would you write and who would you give it to?

NURSERY

This week in Nursery we are beginning our new topic 'Why do leaves go crispy?' Our first story to read is 'The Acorn'. We will be spending lots of time outside using a variety of senses to explore the outside environment. We are continuing with our fire engine role play where they are using fantastic communication and language to talk to each other. Conker class will also be manipulating, counting and sorting lots of natural materials such as conkers, leaves, pine cones and acorns. If you go for a walk with your child and come across any wonderful natural materials we would love to see pictures on Seesaw.

TIMES TABLE ROCKSTARS

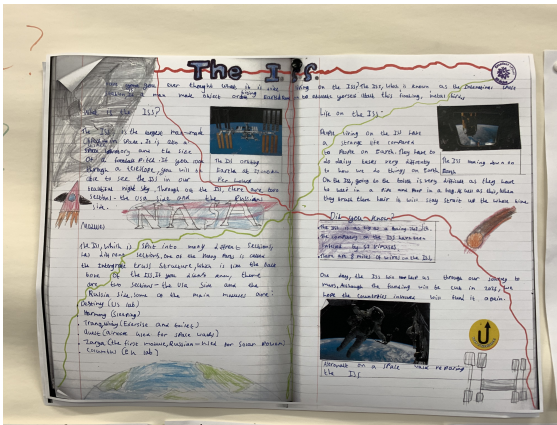


After a great start to Times Tables Rock Stars (TTRS) - (Well done parents!) the TTRS Year Group Battles began on Friday 23rd October and will end on November 14th. Good luck everyone and let the battles commence!

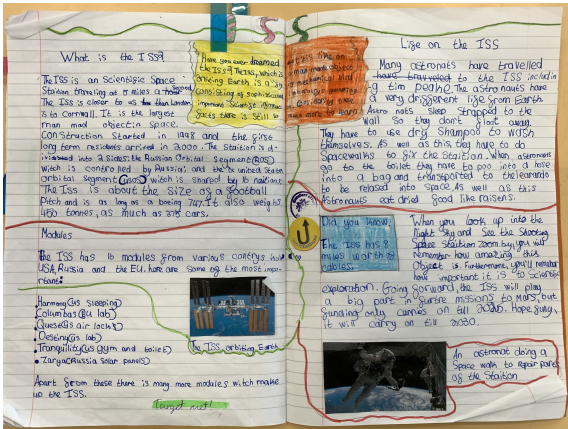
YEAR 5

Our Year 5's have been writing non chronological reports about the International Space Station. This is some of their amazing work:

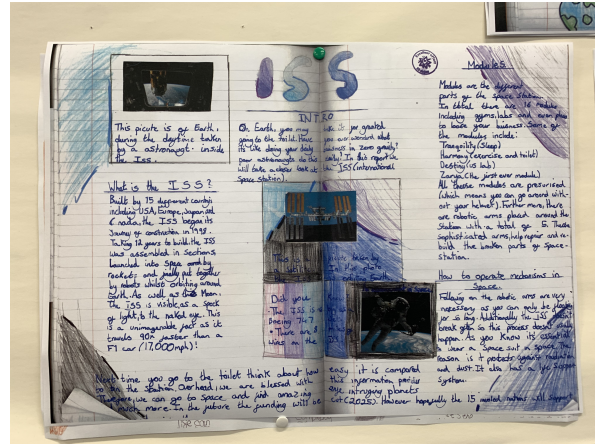
Zack's report



Jager's report



Bello's report



STARS OF THE WEEK

A big congratulations to our Stars of the Week this week. They are:



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| Conker am | Terrence |
| Conker pm | Aurora |
| Beech | Jacob |
| Maple | Mohammed |
| 1 Oak | Daniel |
| 1 Willow | Leila |
| 2 Chestnut | Victoria |
| 2 Palm | Louisa |
| 3 Cedar | Aiman |
| 3 Hornbeam | Jason |
| 3 Yew | Lucca |
| 4 Cherry | Dexter |
| 4 Larch | Aysu |
| 4 Pine | Zaheer |
| 5 Holly | Arman |
| 5 Laurel | Libby |
| 5 Sycamore | Mahreen |
| 6 Elm | Melita |
| 6 Hawthorn | Liam |

APPLYING FOR A RECEPTION SCHOOL PLACE

If your child is due to turn 4 before August 31st 2021 the online application system is now open at www.eadmissions.org.uk. All parents must apply online, paper forms are not available. We have emailed information on how to apply to all the parents in Nursery..

If you would like to have a tour of the school and our reception classes before making your application please contact the school office on 020 8449 2423 to arrange this.

The deadline for applications is Friday 15th January 2021.

ATTENDANCE

We are so pleased with the effort that you are all making in ensuring that your children attend school regularly and on time.

First place in our class attendance for the week before half term were 1 Oak on 98.31% - great job!

In second place with 98.04% were 2 Chestnut and third with 97.46% were 6 Hawthorn. Well done!

Please remember to report any absences daily. We will need to know your child's name, class and the reason for their absence. If they are ill please ensure that you let us know what is wrong with them as we are sending daily updates to the Department of Education. You can report their absence by calling the school and leaving a message on option 1 or alternatively you can email attendance@underhill.barnetmail.net

4 Larch	91.35%
4 Pine	91.92%
5 Holly	95.81%
5 Laurel	94.94%
5 Sycamore	96.53%
6 Elm	92.96%
6 Hawthorn	97.46%
Total	94.31%

For the Houses Windsor are just leading the way with 95.49% from Sandringham on 95.27%. Well done! It is fantastic to see us heading much closer to the 95.8%.

Balmoral	93.16%
Holyrood	93.28%
Sandringham	95.27%
Windsor	95.49%

Reception Beech	94.33%
Reception Maple	93.33%
1 Oak	98.31%
1 Willow	94.64%
2 Chestnut	98.04%
2 Palm	94.20%
3 Cedar	85.95%
3 Hornbeam	93.30%
3 Yew	95.19%
4 Cherry	94.89%

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Friday 18th December	Last Day of Term
Monday 4th January	Staff Inset
Tuesday 5th January	Children return to school



Parents/Carers can view Autumn 2020 timetable on the website

Are you looking to stop smoking, would you like support. Please contact the Children's Centre

Team 020 8449 2423 or email
info@underhill.barnetmail.net

Thursday - 10.30am – 11.15am Enjoy singing
songs and rhymes with your child.
0 -5 years old

Welfare Rights - Advice on housing, money
matters and legal advice - Book a telephone
appointment 020 8449 2423

Weaning Sessions - Wednesday 28th October
10am - 11am or Monday 23rd November
10am-11am phone to book 020 8449 2423

Locality Housing Navigator - Telephone
Appointments, 9.15am - 1pm phone to book 020
8449 2423

If you are interested in **adult learning courses**
in English for Speakers of other Languages
(ESOL), Paediatric First Aid or Art For Wellbeing
please call or email 020 8449 2423
info@underhillcc.barnetmail.net

Groups will be held on site at Underhill School
& Children's Centre. Parents/Carers have to
book to attend groups and limited spaces
available. Entry to sign in for groups will be
explained when booking. Phone 0208 449 2423
or email info@underhillcc.barnetmail.net.

**ALL PARENTS MUST WEAR FACE COVERINGS
TO ENTER AND LEAVE THE BUILDING WHEN
ATTENDING GROUPS.**

Under 1's Play & Stay

*Mondays - 10.00am – 11.30am Friday - 10.00am –
11.30am*

For parents/carers with babies under 1. There
will be lots of fun activities, new and
entertaining nursery rhymes and group
discussions: Oral health and Immunisation &
Vitamin D

Boogie Mites

Tuesday - 9.15am – 10.00am 0 – 5 years old
Wednesday-9.15am-10.00am 0-5 years old

Rhyme Time