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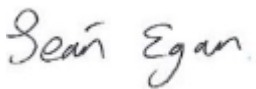
Dear Parents/Carers

A busy first week for all at Hornbeam. It has been great getting to know some of our new learners and their families.

Can I remind you next Tuesday is “Meet the Teacher evening” and an opportunity for parents/carers to come and meet your child’s teacher. Members of the senior leadership will be available on both sites to meet parents/carers.

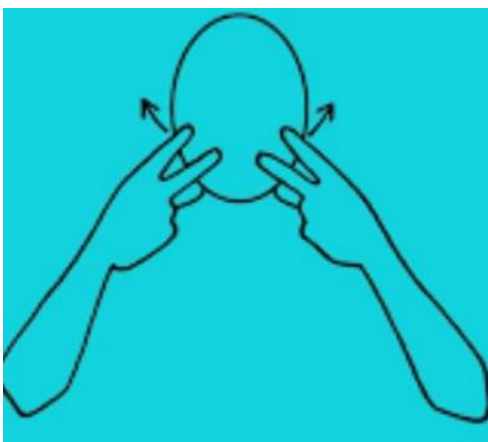
At William Morris there will be a short presentation from the Speech and Language team. This will happen at 4 pm in hall and then repeated at 4.30pm and 5pm.

See you on Tuesday



Sean Egan  
Headteacher

## Makaton theme for this term will be animals – Cat



Link for youtube sign for - [CAT](#)

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### SCHOOL CALENDAR



17 <sup>th</sup> Sept 24	Meet the Teacher
18 <sup>th</sup> Oct 24	Last day of Term

## This Week's Top Attendance

### Whole School Attendance

(Average this year)

# 83.5%

### Attendance Congratulations

Classes with above 90% attendance

(BH) Ruby – 100%
(WM) Fotheringham – 99%
(WM) Watson – 97.9%
(BH) Rose - £97.9%
(WM) Hawking – 96.3%
(WM) Doyne – 95.8%
(WM) Mandela – 95.6%
(WM) Goldberg – 94.5%
(WM) Charles – 93.6%
(WM) <u>Pearson</u> – 93.5%
(WM) Fox – 93.3%
(WM) Angelou – 90.5%

## Learning @ BH – Green Class

Green class have had a fantastic first week, immersing into the magical and enchanting world of Witches and Wizards. This term, the key text for our secondary Snowdon Pathway classes is the story of Meg and Mog. Learners have been engaging with the book in a variety of ways, exploring its themes and characters through sensory and hand-on activities, bringing the story to life. One of the highlights of the week was our magic potion-making class, where learners experimented with different ingredients from the story to make their own magic creations. In addition to potion-making, we made witch's hats, allowing learners to step into the shoes (or rather, hats!) of the characters in the book. We even turned the classroom into the witch's cottage, which sparked plenty of imagination amongst the learners, encouraging independent exploration.



Throughout the sessions, the class has been focusing on developing essential skills such as key vocabulary related to the story, interaction with peers and staff, and communication skills.



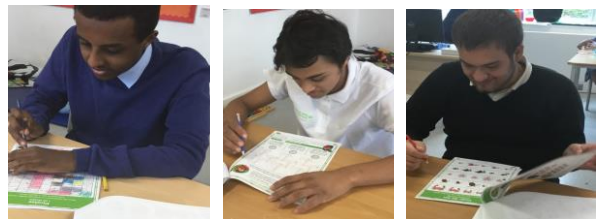
It has been a truly magical start to the term, and we look forward to building on these experiences as we continue our journey alongside Meg and Mog!

## Learning @ WM – Fox Class

After a refreshing summer holiday, the students in Fox Class have returned with enthusiasm and energy for the new school year. Our primary focus during the first week has been on settling into our new routine, establishing classroom expectations, and building a strong sense of community among the learners. These early steps are crucial in helping each student feel comfortable and supported in their learning environment.



To kick off the year, we engaged in a series of fun icebreaking games and activities, allowing the students to get to know one another better. One of the highlights was creating self-portraits and collages, where each learner expressed their unique personality, hobbies, and interests. These artworks now decorate our classroom and serve as a wonderful reminder of the diverse talents and characters within Fox Class.



In addition to these creative activities, we have also begun revisiting key maths concepts to ease back into academic learning. It has been fantastic to see the students eagerly participating, with everyone engaged and happy to contribute to the lessons. We're excited about the progress made so far and look forward to building on this strong foundation as the term unfolds.



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## BH School Celebration

The learners at Brookfield House have had an exciting start to the term by having a fantasy themed whole school celebration. This term, our school topic is 'fantasy' and different classes will be exploring a range of fantasy topics such as 'Disney', 'witches and wizards', 'superheros' and 'fairy tales'. During the celebration, learners were able to experience an immersive event which introduced a range of stories. Activities included 'Alice in Wonderland Tea Party', a magic potion station, superhero mask making and using the immersive projector.



The learners showed great engagement and were very excited to learn throughout the topic.

## Coffee Mornings

Dates to follow – watch this space



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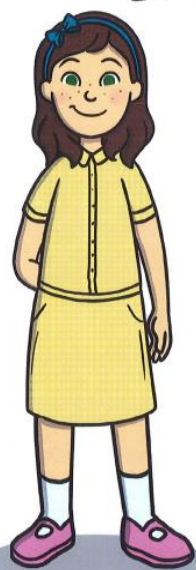
## Polite reminder

This is just a polite reminder that we are a nut and sesame seed free school. Although, sesame seeds are classified as seeds and not nuts, the proteins in sesame seeds may resemble proteins in certain nuts and may trigger an allergic reaction in children who have a nut allergy. Please be mindful of what food you send into our school.

Thank you.

**We are a nut-free school.**

**Please do not bring in any products containing nuts or sesame seeds!**







# THE ROOTS

Empowering young minds



**Is your child struggling to go to school ?**



**Join one of our free workshop for parents to help your child attend school with confidence.**

**Scan the QR code to book a place and find out more**

## **Join us at**

**Leyton Family Hub, 215 Queens Road, E17 8PJ**

- **19 September 2024 - 9.30am - 11.30am**
- Or**

**Walthamstow Library, High Street, E17 7JN**

- **27 September 2024 - 9.30am - 11.30am**
- **29 November 2024 - 9.30am - 11.30am**



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Up to 10% of children experience anxiety or distress about going to school.



Our workshop aims to support you to help your child re-engage with school.

## What the workshop covers:

- Why children may struggle to attend school
- Strategies for overcoming anxiety about school
- Self-care and connecting with school
- Action planning to help take steps forward.

## Who are we?

The Roots was established in partnership with Waltham Forest Council in 2024. We are a team of specialist clinicians who support young people and their families with common wellbeing and mental health challenges.

Visit our website or email us directly to find out more about The Roots service and our support for families & young people:

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WALTHAM FOREST

# COMMUNITY DAY

FREE EVENT

FAMILY FUN

**Come together to celebrate your local community.**

Join us for performances, arts and crafts workshop, face painting, inflatables, live music and more - for free!

No ticket required, just come along.

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15 SEPTEMBER | 12.30PM TO 5 PM**

FELLOWSHIP SQUARE, WALTHAMSTOW, E17 4JF



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