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Cross Country starts...



And the children are off for the first full run of the season. Thank you parents/carers for coming to cheer them on today.



In Assembly—Musical Inspiration

Well done to Sasha (Year 5), Finley (Year 5) and Edward (Year 6) who entertained the children in assembly with their musical talents.

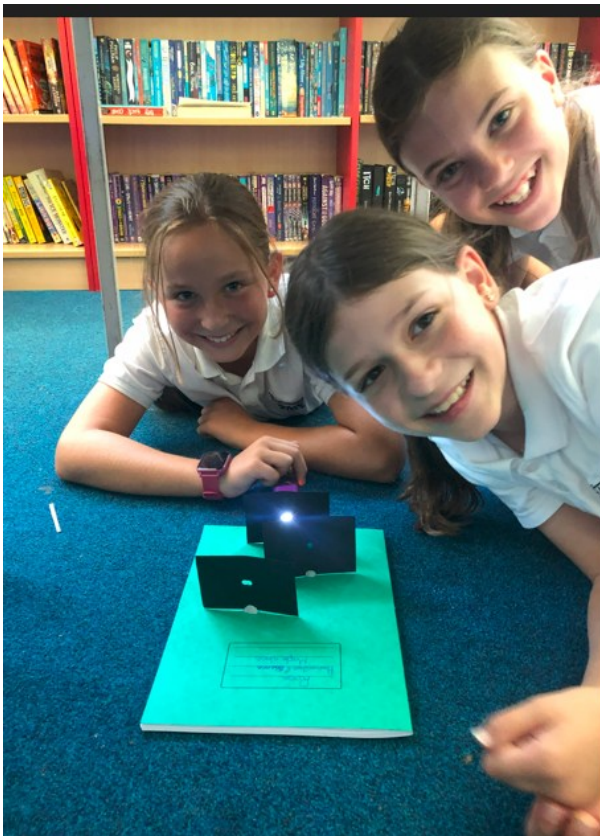
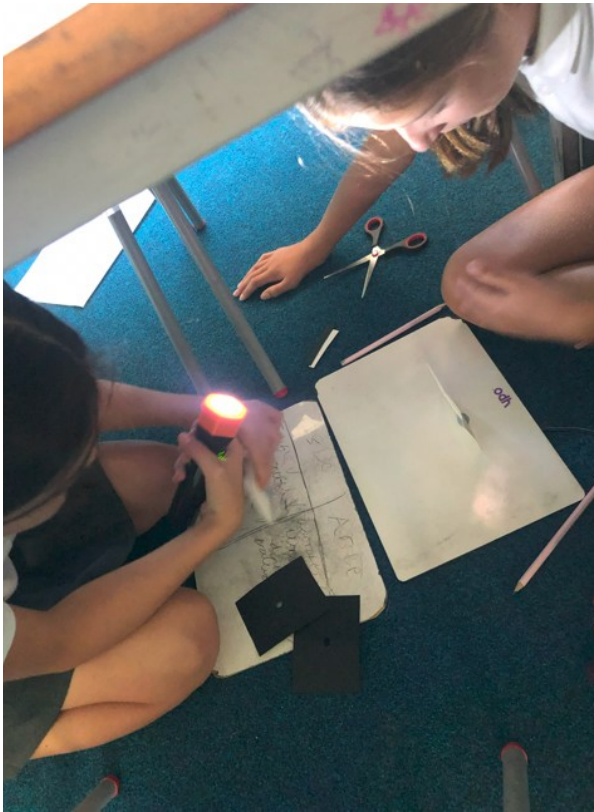


It was wonderful to listen to them play and to learn about how they feel empowered by music.



Year 6—Science

In Year 6, the children were investigating how light travels in straight lines. They predicted what might happen during their experiment and evaluated their findings!



Year 2—Art

Holly class have been thinking about Autumn. They did some careful direct observational drawing of leaves and used the primary colours to mix Autumn shades.

They are very proud of their great work. Well done!



Admin Matters

Sickness absence—please could we ask when notifying us about your child's absence (whether by e-mail or phone), you tell us the class and also why your child is away. This is not because we are being nosey, but so that we can monitor if, for example, we are picking up a high incidence of any type of illness concentrated on a particular class.

Also, you do not need to ring us every day once your child is off—but if the absence continues over the weekend, we would appreciate an update on Monday morning.

May we also take this opportunity to remind you that if your child is suffering from **sickness and/or diarrhoea**, they cannot return to school until 48 hours after the last occurrence.

School uniform—please note that at the moment, we (and the PTA) are unable to accept any further donations of school uniform, apart from the new style PE tops and new style jumpers.

Crossing patrol—Mrs Nelson has advised us that she will be on a course in relation to her duties on **Monday, 22 September**, and therefore is unlikely to be on the crossing that afternoon. Please therefore take extra care.

If you have any **football boots with plastic studs** that are suitable for KS2 children, and no longer required, please could you let the Office have them as spares for muddy PE days. Thank you.

School lunches for children with dietary needs—if GoCatering have been advised that your child has a dietary need, your child will have a special (mauve) card which should be given to them each day by their classteacher. Unless they present this card when they pick up their lunch, neither GoCatering nor the school can guarantee that the dietary need will be adhered to. Please can we therefore ask you, as parents, to reinforce with your child that if they have dietary needs, they must ask their teacher for their card EVERY day AND present it to the people serving lunch. This is especially an issue with the older children who are not taken directly to the hall by their teachers.

There will be a **PTA update** next week.

Receptionist / Welfare Assistant

Due to unforeseen circumstances we are still trying to recruit someone to help in the Office team. Please see our school website for full details:

[Harlands Primary School - Vacancies](#)



Diary Dates

Monday, 22 September onwards
Thursday, 2 October
Friday, 3 October
Friday, 10 October
Monday, 13 October
Wk beg Monday, 20 October

All other clubs start
Y4 Haywards Heath parks trip
8.30-10.00 PTA Coffee morning for EYFS parents
Flu vaccinations—whole school
Harvest Festival
Parent Consultations

Friday, 24 October
Monday, 27 –Friday, 31 October
Monday, 3 November

INSET Day
Half term
INSET Day

Wednesday, 26 November

School Photographer (individual & family groups)

Friday, 19 December

INSET Day

Monday, 22 December— Friday, 2 January

Christmas Holiday

Monday, 5 January

INSET Day

Payment reminder: Y2 Birds of Prey, due by 29 September