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Year 3 & 4 Educational Visit to Verulamium and the Roman Theatre, St Albans

The pupils in Years 3 and 4 had a fabulous day at Verulamium Museum and the Roman Theatre in St Albans. This included the chance to explore the wonderful collection in the museum, which studies life in Roman Britain and includes a range of large mosaics and many locally found Roman artefacts. Each class also had the opportunity to work with the museum's teachers during an hour long handling session, where they could explore the Romans in Britain in more detail. Miss Mole reported that the key thing the children enjoyed in the handling session was the opportunity to actually touch and feel the real artefacts. These Roman artefacts included objects from the kitchen, building materials, self-care and cooking.

Each class also had the chance to visit the nearby Roman theatre. I acted as 'tour guide' for this section of the day and I was impressed with how fascinated the children were with the fact they were standing next to 2,000 year old Roman buildings, imagining the Romans performing and watching musical and dramatic performances, or even wrestling, armed combat or wild beast shows.

Finally the pupils had the opportunity to look at the remains of some Roman shops and a large Roman town house which was situated next to the Roman Theatre. Over-all we had a wonderful day.

Mr J Edwards Headteacher







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UPDATES FROM THE HEADTEACHER



Armistice Memorial Service

Our Head boy and Head girl very adeptly represented the school at the local Armistice Service at the Memorial Cross in Houghton Regis. They placed crosses on behalf of the School.

The whole school also observed a two minute silence whilst gathered in the playground.

Sponsored Walk

A huge well done to all the children who took part in the Sponsored Walk last Friday.

So far we have raised an incredible £1,279.00. Please continue to send in any outstanding sponsorship money - every little bit helps!

Thank you for your support.



NOTICE BOARD

ANTI-BULLYING WEEK 15-19 Nov 2021

This year we are supporting Anti-bullying week with an Odd Socks Day on **Monday 15 November 2021**. This is a chance for us to reflect on Anti-bullying week in a positive way. There is no pressure to buy new socks or wear the latest fashion – all your child needs to do is wear odd socks. It couldn't be simpler.

At Houghton Regis Primary School we aim to raise awareness, to build morale and to ensure that our school is safe community where children can feel safe to speak out, or where others feel safe to speak out if they see an injustice.

CHILDREN IN NEED - MUFTI DAY

We will be holding a Mufti day in aid of Children in Need, on Friday 19 November 2021. We are asking children to wear spotty clothes and bring a gold/silver coin as a contribution.

PTA CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

Tickets will be available from Friday 19 November at £1 for 5 tickets!



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ROAD SAFETY WEEK - 15-21 November 2021

This will be a topic being discussed next week in school, it would be great if you are able to continue talking around this topic when at home.



QUEEN'S JUBILEE DAY - 9 December 2021

In celebration of the Queen's Jubilee an additional bank holiday has been added to the calendar, school will therefore be closed on Thursday 9 December 2021.

WINTER BALLET WORKSHOP

There will be a winter ballet workshop taking place between the 20–23 December 2021. For more information please contact:

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NATIONAL CHILDHOOD MEASUREMENT PROGRAMME

The National Childhood Measurement Programme (NCMP) is starting again this academic year. This programme gathers growth information about children in Year R and in Year 6.

Letters have been sent to the parents/carers of these year groups, the school nurse will be visiting our school on Friday 3 December. If you do not want your child to take part in this programme, you will need to email:

office@houghtonregisprimary.co.uk

FREE SCHOOL MEALS

How to apply for free school meals

If you think you meet the free school meals eligibility criteria, please call the Local Authority on 0300 300 8306. When you call to apply for free school meals, please have the following information ready:

- National Insurance numbers and dates of birth for you and your partner
- dates of birth for your children
- if you receive support from the National Asylum Support Service, your NASS



A Pen Licence was awarded to George G in Red Class this week....well done.



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This week's Star Awards go to:



Danny DETERMINATION says, "DON'T GIVE UP."

Annabelle Willow Arthur Oliver

Esther Tommy Ella Leah Owen Lara

Colin CURIOSITY says, "THINK FOR YOURSELF."





Chloe COMMUNICATION says, "RESPECT OTHERS."

Antonia Hannah Louis Kade

Leo Jessica

Alexander Sasha

de Nevaeh

Niyansh Stavros Thomas Ahmed Julia Nikolah



Izzy INDEPENDENCE says, "DO YOUR BEST."

This week's Attendance Awards

KS1 - Green Class 98.71%

KS2 – Amber Class 98.61%



