



# Heronsgate Primary School Newsletter

*We discover and realise the genius in everyone!*

## Dear Parents...

We celebrated the King's coronation with a special lunch, whole school assembly, non-uniform and of course a bank holiday – poignant when you consider it was a year ago this month, we marked the late Queen's Platinum Jubilee.

The theme for this year's mental health awareness week is 'anxiety'. We spoke in assembly about what may cause anxiety and what it feels like inside. We also spoke about what we can do when we feel like this, with the key message being to talk to someone you trust. This can be friends, family or teachers in school. We also reinforced the key school values of respect and kindness to support others when they are feeling anxious.

Year 6 and Year 2 will have sat their Standardised Assessment Tests (SAT's) by the time you receive this newsletter. We would like to take this opportunity to thank all the pupils and staff for their efforts and you, as parents, for your continued support and encouragement.

Mr Hafeez Khan & Mrs Shahnaz Ahmed  
Heads of School (Royal Arsenal & Thamesmead)

### VALUE FOR SUMMER 1: HONESTY

Our children are honest by being truthful when sharing their views and their feelings. They act truthfully when learning with others.

## KEY DATES

**22/5/23**

2TF & 2AB Trip to Woolwich

**23/5/23**

3TA & 3RM Trip to British Museum

**25/5/23**

2KW & 2SC Trip to Woolwich

**29/5/23–2/6/23**

Half term holiday

**5/6/23**

INSET Day - school closed for children

**6/6/23–16/6/23**

Year 4 multiplication tables check

**12/6/23–16/6/23**

Year 1 phonics screening check

**23/6/23**

Make the Rules Day - more details to follow

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## Year 5 Rivers trip

Year 5 had an amazing time exploring the features of the river Ravensbourne at Deptford Creek. They also got to explore the wealth of creatures that make the river their home, from mitten crabs to leeches during a pond dipping session. Finally, they explored what industries occupied the banks of the river from artefacts discovered in the river.



## Year 4 visits British Museum

On our recent visit to The British Museum, year 4 were excited to examine ancient Roman artefacts for themselves. They made many fascinating observations about life in Ancient Rome and Roman Britain. They were also very impressed by the magnificent museum building and were so pleased they had visited it. Year 4 acted as amazing ambassadors for our school on this visit.

## Early Reading

In Nursery, we have been developing our early reading skills by handling books with care and looking at a range of information books. The children have shown a particular interest in baby animals and also where our food comes from.



## IS MY CHILD TOO ILL FOR SCHOOL?

It can be difficult to decide if a child who has an illness should be in school or not. The link below is to the NHS website and gives clear information about different childhood illnesses and how they impact school attendance.

<https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>



## CORONATION STAMP COMPETITION

Well done to Fawad (left), Anna (middle) and Jenny (right) for their winning designs for our coronation stamp competition!

