September 2026 Issue

NEWSLETTER

Ferry Lane Primary School *Pride in Excellence*

Upcoming dates

Tuesday 29th September- Reception Parents Phonics Workshop 2.45pm

Wednesday 30th September - Royal Institution Science In Schools Show- AM: KS1, KS2, PM: Community Show for Y1-3 parents 3.45-4.45pm

Tuesday 6th October- Year 4 Visit to Science Museum

Friday 9th October- Drama Workshops, Reception to Y3

Thursday 8th October- Parent School Meal Taster Event - 3.30-3.50pm Main Hall

Monday 12th October - Steel Pan Assembly & Workshops

Tuesday 13th October- Y6 Visit to British Library

Wednesday 14th October- Y3-Y6 visit to Bernie Grant Arts Centre - Jade & The Beanstalk production (ticketed- more information will be sent)

Thursday 15th October- Parents Evening

Friday 16th October- Share a Story

Tuesday 20th October – Year 4 & 5 Visit to British Museum- Bayeux Tapestry

Thursday 22nd October- Halloween Disco!

Monday 27th October- Friday 31st October - Half Term

Monday 2nd November – Back to school



Dear Parent/Carer,

Welcome back to a brand new year, and a warm welcome to all our new families!

It has been wonderful to see all our children settle into routine and get to know their new teacher. Children are also enjoying our brand new play equipment, and all our new and exciting clubs this term, including Chess and STEM clubs. This term, all children are taking part in Forest School sessions where they are connecting with nature, combining play, technical skills, and environmental exploration. We also look forward to our Ecology sessions led by Studio Cultivate, for our Reception class commencing next week.

We're delighted to welcome back our fantastic Tottenham Hotspurs coaches this year, who are currently leading our football club and have a very enthusiastic and skilled group of footballers!

There are many visits and events over the coming term so do make a note of the dates on the left.

Parents Evening

Parents Evening will take place in school on **Thursday 15th October between 3.30-7.30pm.** Please sign up for a timeslot

on the sheet that will be on the window of your child's class from **8.30am on Monday 21st October.** This is an opportunity for you to speak to the teacher and learn more about your child's progress so far. Refreshments will also be provided.

Ferry Lane School Values **The ways that we behave as a school community – what we do, who we are and what we expect of each other**				
Respect	Resilience	Responsibility	Teamwork	Belonging
I know how to show kindness towards other people and how to respect others as well as myself.	I can draw on my inner strength to overcome any challenges I face.	I am responsible for my own thoughts and actions and should act wisely. I must remember how I can impact others positively.	I can achieve anything. Working with others will help me fulfil my dreams.	I feel welcomed and valued for who I am and support a shared sense of belonging

Attendance & Punctuality

We'd like to remind parents of the importance of good attendance and punctuality. It is important that your child attends school every day to ensure they do not fall behind their peers as we know poor attendance can have a significant impact. Please also not that we do not authorise term time holidays and that Fixed Penalty Notices will be issued by Haringey in this case.

Secondary School Application Information- Year 6

We would like to remind you that the deadline for secondary school applications for September 2026 is **31st October 2026.** Haringey's secondary school brochure can be found in the link below and it includes information on the application process. https://haringey.gov.uk/sites/default/files/2026-08/secondary_admissions_booklet.pdf

To make the application for your child's secondary school place, please visit https://www.eadmissions.org.uk/

More general information about secondary school applications can be found on Haringey's website here: https://haringey.gov.uk/schools-learning/schools/school-admissions/apply-a-school-place/starting-secondary-school If you have any questions, please speak to the school office.

Reception Applications for September 2027 Entry

We are pleased that our Nursery parents have Ferry Lane for their child's education and we look forward to seeing them continue their journey at Ferry Lane. Your child will be eligible for a place in Reception in September 2027 if they turn 4 years old by 31st August 2027.

We would like to confirm that the deadline for Reception Applications for September 2026 entry is **15th January 2027.**

Please note that your child does not automatically receive a space in our Reception if they currently attend our Nursery, and you will still have to apply through the normal admissions route.

Applications can be made through the following link:https://www.eadmissions.org.uk/

If you would like a tour of the school, please contact the school office.



If you require any support in completing the application please contact the school office. You will be able to make an appointment with a member of staff who will support you through the process.



Reception: Amara

Year 1: Isabella

Year 2: Amy

Year 3: Harmony

Year 4: Crystal

Year 5: Raul

Year 6: Cadidjatu

Attendence: Well done to Nursery and Year 3!

Class	Attendance for this month
Nursery	★★★★★ 🏅
Reception	★★★★
Year 1	★★★★
Year 2	★★★
Year 3	★★★★★ 🏅
Year 4	★★★★
Year 5	★★★
Year 6	★★★★

Nursery







A warm welcome to all of our returning and new families as we begin this new academic year. We hope you all had a restful summer break.
Our Nursery children have made an excellent start, and it is a delight to see them coming into school so happily and separating from their adults with ease. They are settling into their classroom beautifully while learning our routines and expectations. The children have been exploring both the indoor and outdoor learning environments with great enthusiasm.
It is wonderful to see our returning Nursery children welcome their new classmates as they settle in. They have been helping the new children explore all of the learning areas together. Some of standard favourites so far have been singing, dancing, music sessions, and interactive storytelling. They also love playing outdoors where exploring the natural environment beautifully supports their well-being and development.
Thank you to all our families for your wonderful support during this important









settling-in period. Your involvement has made the start of Nursery a happy and successful experience for the children.
We are extremely proud of all their efforts and their willingness to try their best. Well done, Nursery class, for an fantastic start to the year!



Reception



A very warm welcome to all our wonderful Reception children and families as we begin an exciting new academic year. We hope you all had a restful and enjoyable summer break and are ready for a year filled with fun, friendship, learning and discovery!



Our Reception children have made a fantastic start to their first few weeks at school. It has been an absolute delight to see them arriving each morning with such happy, enthusiastic and eager faces. They have settled into their new surroundings beautifully and are already becoming familiar with the routines and expectations of school life.



Over the past few weeks, the children have been learning about our classroom routines, getting to know their teachers and friends, and discovering all that Reception has to offer. They have been busy exploring both our indoor and outdoor learning environments, developing their confidence and becoming increasingly independent as they navigate their new experiences.

It has been particularly lovely to see the children forming new friendships and learning how to play and learn alongside one another. They have shown kindness, politeness and care for others, and we are beginning to see their confidence grow each day. Whether they are choosing their own activities, tidying up, sharing resources or trying something new, they are already showing us what wonderful little learners they can be!





Starting school is such an important milestone, and we are incredibly proud of how positively the children have embraced this new chapter. Thank you to all our families for supporting them during this special time and for helping to make their transition into school such a happy and successful one.

We are looking forward to an exciting year ahead, full of curiosity, creativity, laughter, learning and growth. We cannot wait to see all that our Reception children will achieve! Well done, Reception — what a wonderful start!

Year 1

Hi everyone, I hope you had an enjoyable summer break and welcome back to the new academic year at Ferry Lane. It's been a fantastic start in Year 1 and the children have settled well into routines and are well underway with their learning- we have already covered a lot of ground in the curriculum. In English, we have read and discussed core text Handa's surprise and written about the characters, events and setting. Our maths focus has been on number order and sorting objects, including 2D shape by their properties. Science has been related to nature and growing (in particular, identifying parts of flowers and trees) and in our Forest Schoolsessions , all children made collages using natural resources. Sadly, we say goodbye to Isabella today, who is returning to Spain to continue her education. It has been wonderful having her here and we wish her best of luck and continued success in her new life chapter. We'd like to remind you that children are welcome to bring in a healthy snack for break time. Also a gentle





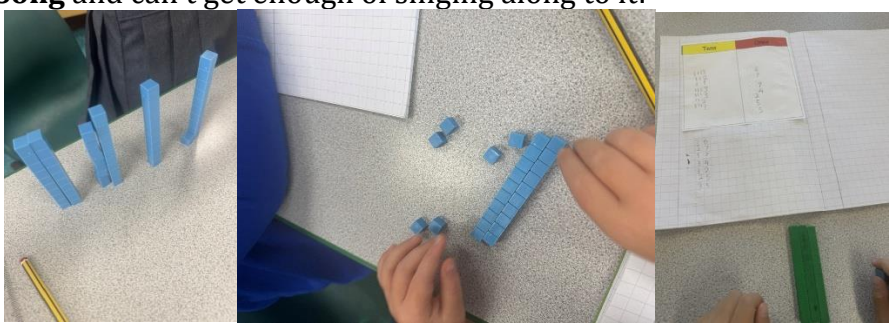
reminder to kindly label your child's cardigan, jumper and shoes. Well done, Year 1, for such a fantastic start!



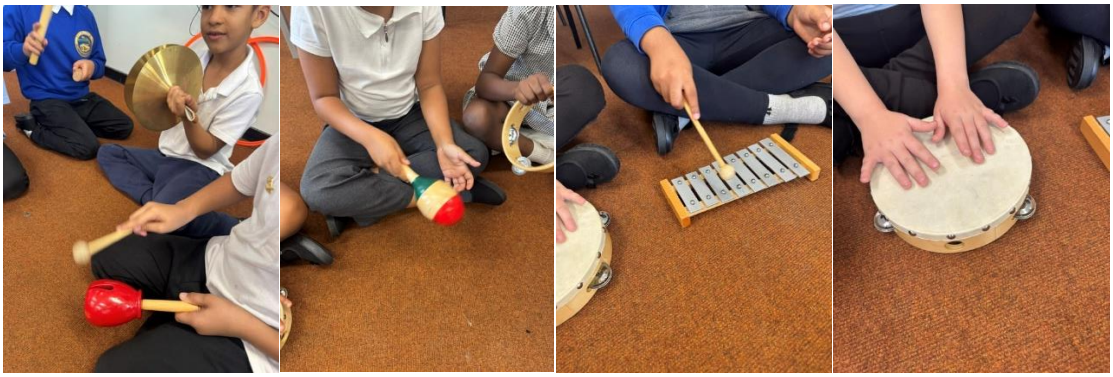
Year 2

Year 2 have settled in so well and are already making lots of progress!

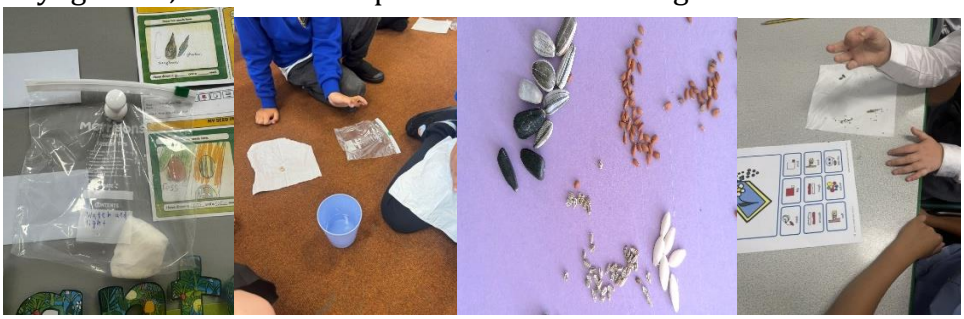
We have been using beadstrings, tens and ones dienes, number lines to develop our understanding of number in our place value unit. We have been partitioning two-digit numbers, counting in tens (forwards and backwards), figuring out missing numbers in number lines and more to develop our understanding of number. We also absolutely love our **Big Number Song** and can't get enough of singing along to it!



We were making a lot of 'noise' in our class during our music lesson! We enjoyed listening to the sounds of different animals lurking in the safari and discussed which animals they could be. We then used various instruments to recreate these animal sounds. Our key word for the lesson was **dynamics**. We learnt that sounds can be loud and soft and so practised creating both loud and soft sounds on our instruments.



We have been learning all about plants in science. What are seeds? What do seeds need to grow? What are bulbs? are some of the key questions we have and will continue to explore. We have carried out an **investigation** to find out the best conditions for a seed to grow into a healthy plant. We will observe and monitor our seeds throughout the week and discuss our observations. Will the seed in the dark cupboard grow into a healthy plant or will it be the seed in the daylight? Or, will we be surprised with our findings?



Year 3



Year 3 has had a wonderful start to the academic year! We have been busy settling into our new routines, building our confidence and enjoying lots of exciting learning.



In Maths, we have immersed ourselves in place value and have been learning how to compare and order numbers up to 1,000. We have explored different ways to represent numbers, including using number lines, helping us to develop a deeper understanding of the value of each digit.

In English, we have thoroughly enjoyed reading *Freckle Juice*. We have used drama and role-play to explore the characters and think carefully about their feelings, emotions and motivations. This has helped us to develop our understanding of the story while also building confidence in expressing ideas.





We have also begun an exciting journey into Ancient Egypt. We are exploring when the first pyramids were built and discovering what Ancient Egyptians believed about their pharaohs. We are particularly interested in finding out why pharaohs were buried in pyramids and what these incredible structures tell us about Ancient Egyptian beliefs and their way of life.

It has been a fantastic start to the year, excellent effort Year 3! Well done!

Year 4

Year 4 is off to a flying start! Attendance so far has been excellent, but even more impressive is the fact that students are showing up daily with an enthusiasm for learning across all subjects.

Students have been exploring place value in Maths, which includes partitioning, estimating, and ordering numbers to 10,000. Lessons combining grammar conventions and imagination has produced some excellent creative writing (as well as a fun art project) in English. For Reading, Year 4 is sharpening their vocabulary and inference skills whilst enjoying a Marcus Rashford mystery. And then there's Science; many of you will know our current topic is *States of Matter*, as several students have extended lessons by carrying out experiments at home. Talk about enthusiasm!

Different routines, unexpected challenges and fresh opportunities are all part of a new school year. Students have risen to the occasion by relying on Ferry Lane values, particularly responsibility and resilience. Academics aside, their kindness, self-confidence, and support for one another is truly inspiring. Keep it up, Year 4!









Year 5

As we begin a new academic year, I would like to say a big welcome back to school to all of Year 5 pupils. We began our half-term by exploring the book 'There's a Boy in the Girls' Bathroom" by Louis Sachar. We focussed on asking questions and making predictions as we read. We also learnt how to find the meaning of words we read using a dictionary. We have been making inferences using the text and justifying them using evidence in the text.
In Maths, Year 5 have been focusing on numbers and place value to increasingly higher numbers. After that, the pupils spent working on the operations of addition and subtraction using mental strategies.
There is a real buzz of excitement in the Year 5 classrooms every Wednesday afternoon, and it is all down to our fantastic new weekly chess sessions! Whether the children are total beginners learning how the knights move or seasoned players plotting a clever checkmate, the energy and focus in the room have been absolutely incredible to witness.
We are so proud of how our Year 5 students have embraced the game with such sportsmanship, concentration, and enthusiasm. Who knows—we might just have the next Grandmaster sitting right here in our classrooms! Be sure to ask your child about their latest match tonight, and perhaps they can even teach you a new opening move!
Well done Year 5, you have worked really hard. Let's all have a fantastic year together.



Year 6

Welcome to all the children in year 6. This is a very important year for them and as they embark on their learning journey for this academic year, I truly hope that they know that the possibilities are endless. We began this half term by exploring narrative poems for English and we are specifically studying "The Highwayman" by Alfred Noyles. The children were very excited to be involved in all the activities associated with the poem and wrote brilliant diary entries in role as one of the characters. They also used drama to explore their favourite character and was in the hot seat to answer questions as that character. In maths we begun the term by looking at place value, addition and subtraction, rounding and multiplication of 2 and 3- digit numbers by 2- digits.

In History and Geography we are studying The Mayan Civilization and Energy and Climate Change respectively. Addtionally, the children are really enthused to learn about The Circulatory system in science and have already written two extended pieces of writing in their “Published Writing” books.

Great Job! Year 6. I am really pleased with the way you have settled in for the new school year.

