

Weekly Parent Prayer Reminder!
Monday 6th November
9am, Small Meeting Room
Parents' prayers for the Blue school community.
We also take prayer requests.
Everyone is welcome.



This week in **Collective Worship** the focus has been about 'Followers of Jesus' and 'All Saints Day'. Reverend Dave Maclure joined us on Wednesday and spoke about how we can reflect and remember those that are no longer with us. In class worship, children shared about ideas of how to live like the disciples. On Friday children listened to the Bible story **Jesus Calls His First Disciples, Luke 5:1-11**. We discussed how we can all brave like the disciples and how to treat others as we want to be treated.



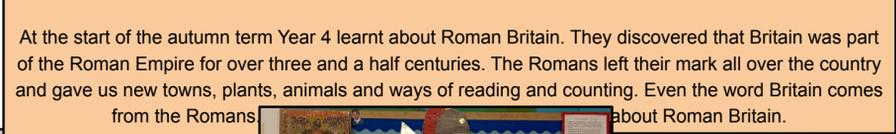
We love History at the Blue School and frequently thread our topics throughout the curriculum, whether it be English, PSHE, art, R.E or music. We encourage the children to be curious historians and always ask questions.

It has been a busy term so far and becomes yet busier in the next few weeks, with our Black History Art exhibition and commemoration of Remembrance Day.

Reception class have been looking at their own personal histories and showing their baby photos - discussing how much they have changed over the years and how each child is unique.



Reception have also enjoyed learning about some of our most ancient ancestors: the Australian Aboriginal people. They were amazed to learn that they have the longest surviving culture on earth. The children listened to stories of The Dreaming and then made masks and puppets to retell the stories. They also listened and moved to traditional music and created Aboriginal dot paintings using fine motor skills.



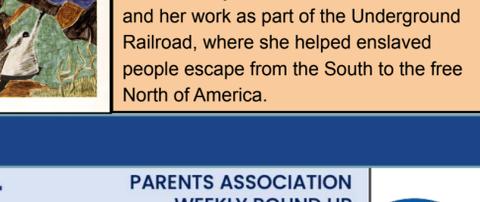
Year 1 hasn't started their history topic yet this term, but are looking forward to studying about childhood in the past and present very soon. The children will cover toys, homes, schools and clothes and how they have changed over time.

At the start of the autumn term **Year 4** learnt about Roman Britain. They discovered that Britain was part of the Roman Empire for over three and a half centuries. The Romans left their mark all over the country and gave us new towns, plants, animals and ways of reading and counting. Even the word Britain comes from the Romans about Roman Britain.



Year 5 will be embarking this term upon the fascinating topic of the Kingdom of Benin and will be learning how advanced this civilization was, particularly in the making of bronzes.

Year 6 has been immersed in World War One with both their 20th Century Conflict topic and class novel War Horse. The children have been studying the origins of both world wars and we are so proud of their level of understanding and engagement.



Year 6 are also studying the work of Jacob Lawrence for Black Art history and looking at his Harriet Tubman series of paintings. The children are learning about this extraordinary African American woman and her work as part of the Underground Railroad, where she helped enslaved people escape from the South to the free North of America.



****Reception cake sale – next Friday 10th November****

****Christmas cards / gifts****

****Adult SILENT DISCO – Thursday 30th November****

****Children's SILENT DISCO – Friday 1st December****

****Still to come****

PARENTS ASSOCIATION WEEKLY ROUND UP

The Blue School PA
SILENT Disco

Y1/Y2 - 3:30pm - 4:30pm
Y3/Y4 - 5pm - 6pm
Y5/Y6 - 6:30pm - 7:30pm
Friday 1st December
Tickets: £4 per child
£10 max For families with 3 or more children

Save the date
Adult silent disco
Thursday 30th November
More details to follow!

THE BLUE SCHOOL PA'S

PARENTS SILENT DISCO

THURSDAY 30TH NOVEMBER
7:30PM TO 10:30PM
TICKETS £8

IMPORTANT

***NEW* Dates**
[Autumn Term Dates](#)
[2023-2024 Academic Term Dates](#)

Save the Date!
Black History Celebration Art Exhibition
Monday, 13th November 3:45pm
(Main School Event)
Book here [eventbrite](#)

Absence Request Form
Please download [here](#)
And return these form to absence@theblueschool.com
please also remember to let us know their name, class and what is wrong.

Individual and Sibling took place, Thursday, 12th October!
Ordering info has been sent out with each child. If your child missed their photo, there will be opportunity in the spring term to retake when we do class photos so not to worry!

Homemade Poppy Appeal!
We are decorating our reception with poppies for Remembrance Day! Please bring in homemade (red, purple, black or white poppies) if you wish! thank you!

Open Days
We are delighted to be holding Open Days this autumn! Booking is available on Eventbrite through the link on [our website](#).

Reception Applications 2024/25
(Applications dated before 1 November 2023 will not be accepted) Packs will be available in the school office.

All parents and carers are warmly invited to their child's Class Worship (Autumn & Spring Term)

10th November Y5 Ash
17th November Y5 Sycamore
26th January Y4 Willows
9th February Y4 Beeches
1st March Y3 Oaks
22nd March Y3 Elms
Parents must enter via North Street and sign in on arrival

Outside of School Highlights!

Srishti and Bhavika (Y5) performed an Indian dance at a community gathering for the Hindu festival of Durga Puja over the half term break. They had been rehearsing for this performance for weeks. On the day, they performed to a gathered audience of close to a thousand! Their performance was executed beautifully and received a fantastic response. Well done girls!

Patrick, (Y4 Beeches) at his Martial Arts Promotion test, where he was awarded a distinction certificate and a medal, in addition to moving him up to a higher belt for his outstanding performance at the test.

The girls at 1st Spring Grove have been working on their campaigning badge, part of which involved arranging a fundraising activity. The girls decided that the chosen charity would be The Mulberry Centre, who are supporting the units leader while she undergoes chemotherapy. The girls organised a variety of events- from a sponsored skip to a bracelet sale. The girls raised an amazing £264.00 for the centre and were thrilled to be invited to the centre for a tour. Some of the girls gave up time in their half term to visit the Mulberry Centre to officially give them the donation.

Riya, Y6 Redwoods has won a place at the forthcoming Super Science Spectacular Saturday at Gunnersbury Catholic School- a morning of experiments, explosions and scientific fun. Correctly answering all ten questions in Gunnersbury's Super Science Competition, Riya is clearly a budding super scientist! Goodluck Riya!

Cory, Alisha and Thomas They took part in Middlesex Development Meet in Enfield over the 21/22nd October swimming competition representing London Borough of Hounslow Swimming Club

If your child has achieved something special outside of school, please email office@theblueschool.com so we can share with the school community!

Well done to 3 of them achieved great results, beating their personal best.

Kids Disabled children say we can
Registered Charity No. 275935

Huge congratulations to Thomas who has competed for the first time.

Yoga, Lunch & Chat Wellbeing Sessions **FREE**

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For Parents and Carers of children and young people with SEND in Hounslow.

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Friday 17th November, 15th December, 19th January, 22nd March and a family trip to Kew Gardens on 24th February.

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Sessions start at 11am promptly and include 1 hour yoga lesson and free lunch until 1pm.

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Venue: Hope Church Hall, Good Shepherd Location, Beavers Lane, Hounslow, TW4 6HJ