

Dear parents and carers,

With the warmer weather returning for one last hurrah, it has been a busy week at Horn Park.

The week has seen our first educational visits of the school year. Yesterday, Year 6 ventured to the Old Royal Naval College to attend a workshop named 'Myths and Masks'. It was a great opportunity to deepen knowledge gained in history about the beliefs of the Ancient Greeks.



Following that, both Year 1 and Year 3 have been out today. Year 1 visited the Maritime Museum and took part in an art workshop. The children were able to deepen knowledge gained in art about collage, the style of their focused artist Henry Matisse. Elsewhere, Year 3 went to the Natural History Museum to look at the fossils, link to their Science topic.

Today's 'No Outsiders' assembly focused on a ballerina born without arms. You can read about how some of the discussion was framed [here](#); it is a good one to continue at home.



Looking ahead to next week, we have our annual **International Evening on Wednesday 30th September**. During the school day, children are invited to wear clothing that reflects their identity, heritage or culture instead of school uniform. This could include traditional dress, clothing featuring a national flag or flag colours, or even a football kit representing their country.

After school on **Wednesday 30th September**, we warmly invite all families to join us for the **International Evening** celebrations. Doors to the hall will open at **4:15pm**, and families are welcome to enjoy refreshments outside the hall (weather permitting) from **4:00pm** while the choir prepares for their performance. Following a choir performance, our 'Bring a Dish' celebration will commence. Whether it is a dish that reflects your cultural heritage or simply a much-loved family favourite, every contribution helps create a wonderful opportunity to share, connect and learn more about one another. It has been great to discuss with parents and carers on the gate this week what their 'bring a dish' will be, ranging from jollof rice to halloumi and olive bread, to a fried breakfast. If you are able to contribute, please bring your dish with you when you arrive and provide a list of ingredients. Please remember we are a nut free school. If you would like to contribute food, or be involved in another way, please complete [this form](#).

As part of this year's event, we would also love to showcase the many ways our families celebrate special occasions at home. **Alongside sharing food, we invite families to send photographs of significant family events, celebrations or cultural traditions.** These images will help us create a wonderful presentation to run throughout the evening and provide an opportunity to celebrate some of our favourite memories together as a community. If you would like to share photographs with us, please email these to hompark@compassps.uk and title your email 'International Evening'.

Finally, just a reminder that the PTA are running a Christmas Card fundraiser this year – you can read more about this [here](#). If your child is submitting a design, please ensure you follow the instructions on the card and return any completed design cards to the school office **no later than 9am on Monday**.

Have a wonderful weekend,

Jack Green
Headteacher

Reception 2027 Schools Tours

Do you know any local families with children who are due to join a Reception class in September 2027?

If so, we are offering tours of the school. Please [click here](#) to book one of our upcoming school tours.



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Attendance Matters

Good attendance is key to success both educationally and beyond.

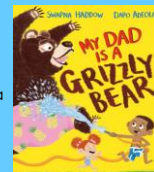
For this reason, we aim for 100% attendance.

This week's attendance: 94%

Best Year Group: Year 2 & Year 3 – 96%

Book Recommendation

Elms class have been reading 'My Dad Is A Grizzly Bear' by Dapo Adeola and we absolutely loved it!



This funny and colourful story is all about a very special dad who is just like a grizzly bear! We enjoyed looking closely at the pictures and thinking about all the funny things that Dad gets up to. We would recommend this book because it is funny, imaginative and full of wonderful illustrations. It is a great story to share with your family, and it will definitely make you smile!

ONLINE LEARNING (Homework)



Term Value:
Respect

Lunch menu:
Week 1
w/c 28th September 2026