# Weekly Newsletter: 16th October 2026

HORN PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL

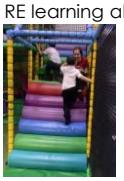
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Dear parents and carers

We are lucky to be doing collaborative work as a school with Margaret Mulholland, who is a specialist in inclusivity and Special Educational Needs, advisor for ASCL and project director for the EEF. Margaret visited Horn Park on Monday and in an email to myself and Mrs Wood after, she noted: 'The school is beautiful to be in, and feels like an absolute celebration of everyone involved. I saw happy, chatty and inquisitive children having a shared experience of learning.'

The week ended today with our first 'Horn Park(Run).' The merged concept of our Daily Mile and 'Parkrun' is a simple, powerful way for children and families to build healthy habits through outdoor movement. It was wonderful to see so many families take part, and we look forward to this being a half-termly event. Please look out for the next date, where Santa hats may be encouraged...

Across Tuesday and Wednesday, Year 5 visited the Ichthus Church in Lee to support their current RE learning about Christianity. Also on Wednesday, Sycamore class visited Sutcliffe Park soft play. The children had fun, exploring, climbing, sliding and playing together! For our amazing SEN learners, trips like these are about so much more than having fun. Through meaningful play, the children are developing their gross motor skills, coordination and balance, while also building on their confidence, social Interactions and communication skills. Even the bus journey was part of the adventure! The children loved travelling together, building their independence and enjoying a new experience beyond the classroom.



There have been so many brilliant, purposeful educational visits already this year and we look forward to all the opportunities ahead for the children.

On Wednesday parents and carers of children in Reception were given the opportunity to attend a phonics workshop. This started with the chance to observe a lesson in the classroom, before going through strategies that can be replicated at home. A huge thank you to Miss Osborne for the running of this session, and to all who attended. Slides from this workshop can be seen here.

On Thursday we hosted our PSHE consultation meeting with Mrs Wood and Miss Osbourne. We would like to thank everyone who came and discussed our current offer and curriculum, and you can see slides from this meeting here. If you have any questions, please do reach out to a member of the team.

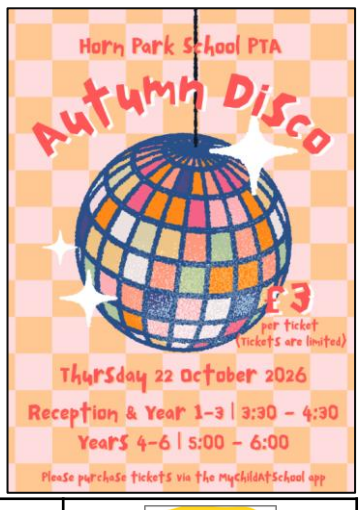
Well done to our Year 6 Boys Football Team who used their values of teamwork and unity yesterday by playing at their first football tournament.



On Monday at 5pm, the booking system for the Autumn term parents' evening will go live via MyChildAtSchool. Parents' evening will take place across two dates (Wednesday 11th and Thursday 12th November). In an email sent today, we set out what we see the purpose of these meetings, including the type of questions teachers may explore with you, whilst also noting that myself, Mrs Wood and Mrs Kutchesfahani will be available on both days to explore any further questions you may have.

Looking ahead to next week, on Wednesday, in partnership with the Royal Borough of Greenwich, we are hosting a Healthy Eating and Wellbeing session for the Horn Park community. This session will be led by public health nutritionist, Nicola Nzuza Rnutr and will run from 1pm to 3pm. During this session, you can undertake an interactive activity to explore healthy eating guidance, consider what this guidance means for families and communities and discuss ideas to make eating well easier as well as plan next steps. You can find out more here.

On Thursday, we will have our PTA Autumn Disco after School (please see details to the right). Tickets are on sale now via via MyChildAtSchool (subject to availability). If you are able to support the event, please do reach out to the PTA via admin@ptahornpark.org.uk




Have a wonderful weekend,

Jack Green
Headteacher

## Reception 2027 Schools Tours

Do you know any local families with children who are about 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.

## Dates for your diary

**19/10:** 5pm Parents' Evening appointments available to book via MyChildAtSchool

**20/10:** School Photo Day – Individual & Sibling Photos

**21/10:** 1pm RBG Healthy Eating & Wellbeing Session

**22/10:** Reception & Year 6 Height & Weight Checks

**22/10:** 'Out Of This World' themed meal

**22/10:** 2.55pm – 3.10pm Sycamore PTA Autumn Disco

**22/10:** 3.30pm – 4.30pm Reception & Year 1-3 PTA Autumn Disco

**22/10:** 5pm – 6pm Year 4-6 PTA Autumn Disco

**23/10:** Year 2 Hindu Temple Trip

**23/10:** Last day of Autumn 1 term

**26/10 – 30/10: HALF TERM BREAK**

**31/10:** Secondary School Application period closes

**02/11: Children return to school for Autumn 2 term**

**04/11:** Year 5 Science Museum Trip

**05/11:** 'Let's Rocket' themed school meal

**11/11:** 9.30am PTA AGM

**11/11:** 3.15pm Chartwells parent/carer taster session

**11/11:** 3.30pm – 5.30pm Parents' Evening

**12/11:** 3.30pm – 7pm Parents' Evening

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**Term dates for the 2026–2027 academic year and the 2027–2028 academic year can be found here.**

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## Attendance Matters

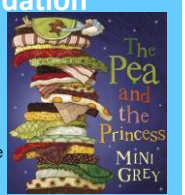
**Good attendance is key to success both educationally and beyond.**

**For this reason, we aim for 100% attendance.**

This week's attendance: 97%

Best Year Group: Year 2 – 100%

## Book Recommendation




Beeches class has been thoroughly enjoying 'The Pea and the Princess' by acclaimed children's author Mini Grey. This delightful book offers a brilliant twist on the classic fairy tale, cleverly shifting the narrative to the Pea's perspective. The children have loved discovering the story through the eyes of this tiny protagonist, and the book's vibrant, fantastic illustrations have truly brought our classroom discussions to life.

## ONLINE LEARNING (Homework)

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**Term Value:** Respect

**Lunch menu:** Week 1 w/c 19th October 2026