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Friday 5th June 2026



2026	
Phonics Screening check week	Monday 8th June- Friday 12th June
Teddy Bear Picnic (see page 8)	Friday 12th June
Nursery Sports day and Teddy Bear Picnic	Tuesday 16th June 9:05-10:30
Nursery - Mobile farm visit	Friday 19th June
Year 2 Transfer Meeting at Whiteheath Juniors	Tuesday 23rd June 5.30pm
Exotic Animals Visit Y2	Wednesday 24th June
Junior School Exhibition Event	Thursday 25th June 3:35-4.30pm
WISA Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 show (held after school)	Thursday 25th June
Year 2 classes up to the Juniors for Class swap day	Tuesday 30th June 9-10:30
Nursery meet the teacher information meeting online	Wednesday 1st July 4pm
Sports Day – Reception, Year 1 and Year 2	Thursday 2nd July 9-10.15am
Reception Meet the teacher's information meeting in the school hall	3rd July 2-3pm
Class swap day for Nursery, Reception and Y1.	Tuesday 7th July 9-10:30
Year 2 End of Year Show	Friday 10th July – 9:15 & 2:30
SEN Coffee Morning	Monday 13th July 9.00 – 10.00
Rocksteady Music Concert	Tuesday 14th July 9:30 & 2:15
School Terms Ends	Tuesday 21st July at 12.20

Please see our website for term dates/holidays. Updates/changes in red.

Head Teacher's Update

Dear Families,

We have had a wonderfully busy and uplifting week in school, filled with creativity, curiosity and shared celebration across our community.

We began the week with our **Dinosaur Day assembly**, which the children absolutely loved. They were full of questions, facts and excitement, and it was lovely to see how engaged they were in their learning. We also enjoyed our weekly **singing assembly**, as well as one of our **4th C conservation sessions**, where children continued to explore how they can care for the world around them.

On Thursday, **Reception enjoyed a special visit from the library**, taking part in a lovely session that encouraged a love of books and reading. The children were captivated and came away full of enthusiasm.

We ended the week with the most amazing Cultural Day on Friday. The children looked absolutely fantastic in their outfits, proudly representing their heritage and family traditions. Each year group shared brilliant learning in the assembly — from stories and songs to artwork and celebrations of different cultures. It was a joyful reminder of the richness and diversity within our school community. A huge thank you to Mrs Sokhi for organising such a vibrant and meaningful day for everyone.

Wishing you all a restful weekend.

Mrs Hall

SCHOOL NEWS & EVENTS

Weekly Attendance by Class

18th May – 22nd May 2026

Class	Attendance %
Nursery	77.7
Wrens	90.4
Swans	92.5
Ducklings	90.4
Doves	91.4
Robins	89.0
Puffins	93.8
Swallows	97.7

Class of the Week: Swallows (97.7%)



School Money Payments

Please note payments for the following school events are closing soon!

Year 2 Exotic Animals Visit – deadline for payments Monday 15th June

Nursery Ark Farm Visit – deadline for payments Friday 12th June

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Parent Survey

We would be very grateful if you could take a few minutes to complete our parent survey using the link below: **https://forms.gle/67TfBDJqJNuPxAqPA**

Please note the survey will remain open until **Wednesday 10th June.**

A Message from Hillingdon Council

Hillingdon is developing a new all-age autism strategy, and we need your support! We are creating a five-year plan, that will outline how the Council and our partners, including schools, the Health Service, and community organisations, will work together to support autistic people of all ages to live fulfilling lives. To ensure the strategy reflects what really matters, we have developed a questionnaire to hear directly from autistic people about their experiences, priorities, and what supports them in daily life. We are particularly keen to hear from parents of autistic individuals, whether diagnosed or currently on a waiting list.

Children and Young People with Autism in Hillingdon – Fill out form

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Our School Garden Needs a Few More Helping Hands!

We are hugely grateful to have Mrs Ross who does some wonderful work in our garden each week, and we would love to welcome a few more helpers to join in. If you have some weekday availability and could support with tidying, organising, or taking small groups of children for simple gardening activities, we'd be delighted to hear from you. Let us know by sending an email to the School Office if you'd like to **get involved**.



Teddy Bears Picnic Reception to Year 2 – Reminder

Next Friday, 12th June, all children will be taking part in a Teddy Bear Picnic! Please can all children bring: **a favourite book, a teddy bear, and a small snack** for the picnic (**NO nuts**!). Thank you for your support!

🌟 **Increase in Wraparound Childcare Places**

From Monday 8th June, we are increasing the number of places available in our wraparound childcare provision due to popular demand.

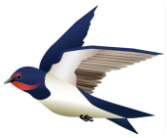
🌅 Our morning provision will now be referred to as Early Morning Wraparound Care. This runs from 7:30am to 8:40am and includes breakfast for children attending.

🌈 We are also increasing the number of places available in our After School Wraparound Care provision.

📌 Please remember that all places must be booked in advance through the usual booking system. Staffing is arranged based on the number of children booked, so bookings must be made before the booking window closes.



Year 2




We hope you all had a wonderful half-term break and are feeling refreshed for our final half term in Year 2! We have lots of exciting learning planned and are looking forward to another fantastic week together.

Next Week

Maths
Next week, we will begin our new unit on Time. The children will learn to tell the time to o'clock, half past, quarter past and quarter to, before moving on to reading and writing times to 5-minute intervals. You can encourage your child to read clocks throughout the day and talk about key times, such as waking up, mealtimes and bedtime.

English
In English, we will begin a new writing unit where the children will be writing letters to their Year 3 buddies. We will explore the features of letter writing and think carefully about the information we would like to share as we prepare for the transition to Year 3. The children will have opportunities to practise using clear sentences, correct punctuation and thoughtful questions to engage their reader.

Dimensions – Going Wild
We are excited to begin our new topic, Going Wild. Throughout this topic, the children will learn about a variety of animals and their habitats, exploring how different creatures survive and thrive in the natural world. In Science, we will begin learning about living things and things that have never been alive. The children will explore how to identify living things and discuss the characteristics that all living organisms share. We will also begin learning about parents and offspring, looking at how animals care for their young and discussing what is involved in caring for a pet responsibly. In Computing, the children will begin a mini-PowerPoint project. They will research an animal and its habitat before creating their own presentation to share what they have discovered. This is a fantastic opportunity for the children to develop both their research and digital skills. At Forest School, the children will be putting their teamwork and problem-solving skills to the test by designing and building shelters for our furry critters. We are looking forward to seeing their creativity and collaboration in action.

Reminders
- Please continue to read regularly at home and record this in your child's reading record.
- Forest School will take place this week. Please ensure your child brings suitable outdoor clothing and wellies if the weather is wet.
- PE remains on Fridays.
- Please ensure all clothing is clearly labelled.
- Spelling practice at home is encouraged.
- Homework should be returned on Tuesday.

Thank you for your continued support. We are looking forward to another exciting week of learning in Year 2.

The Year 2 Team

Year 1





It has been wonderful to welcome the children back to school. They have enjoyed sharing stories about their exciting holidays, and it has been lovely to hear about their experiences. The children have also been working extremely hard in preparation for the Phonics Screening Check, which will take place next week.

In English, the children will be completing our work on *The Snail and the Whale*. They will create a storyboard to retell the story and use freeze-frame activities to explore the characters' feelings and thoughts. The children will then write speech bubbles to show what the characters might be saying at different points in the story.

In Maths, the children will continue their learning on place value within 100. They will focus on finding one more and one less than a given number, as well as comparing numbers between 51 and 100. At the end of the week, the children will complete an end-of-unit assessment to demonstrate their understanding.

In Phonics, we will continue our revision and practice in preparation for the Phonics Screening Check. The children have been working very hard, and we are proud of the progress they have made.

This half term, children will begin our new core topic, "Skip of the Dump." They will explore what happens to items when we no longer need them and learn about the purpose of skips and rubbish dumps.

In Science, children will investigate different materials and discover why certain materials are suitable for everyday objects. They will also take part in a cup experiment, exploring how different materials are affected by the weather and other outdoor elements when left outside over time.

In History, children will use their knowledge of materials to identify mystery objects. They will also be introduced to the concept of a souvenir, discussing what souvenirs are, where they may have seen them, and why people keep them.

Notices:

Library books to be returned on Wednesdays please.

We now have two PE lessons a week. Please send your child dressed in their PE kit on both days.

Robins – Monday and Wednesdays

Doves– Tuesday and Wednesdays

You can collect the wellies from outside the classrooms as there will be no forest school this half term.

Dates for the diary:

8th – 12th of June: Phonics Screening tests

Please do watch the video attached. This will give you a good overview of what is expected during the phonics screening and how best you can help prepare your child.

https://drive.google.com/file/d/13ut42Jtl_9VTUyBa6cP0rRX4a6a17wmT/view

12th June: Teddy bear picnic (see the brochure attached)

Thank you for all your support.

Reception



We have really enjoyed learning about Scotland this week, and I'm sure you'll agree the children did a fantastic job learning their Scottish dance. We certainly have some talented dancers in Reception! The children also enjoyed sharing their learning in a whole-school assembly and spoke confidently about what they had discovered.

Learning Next Week

Drawing Club

We will be exploring three brilliant new texts:

- *How to Catch a Star*
- *The Duck Who Didn't Like Water*
- *Otto Blotter, Bird Spotter*

These stories will inspire the children's imaginations as they draw, write and create their magic codes.

Phonics

We will be assessing where the children are currently working, as well as continuing to practise reading and spelling longer words that end in suffixes such as **–ed** and **–ing**.

Maths

We will be continuing our work on shape, including:

- decomposing shapes
- finding 2D shapes within 3D shapes
- exploring shape through practical activities

New Dimensions Topic – Ticket to Ride (Air Vehicles)

Our new topic is **Ticket to Ride**, focusing on air vehicles. We will also take this opportunity to learn about clouds and carry out some exciting STEM-based science activities, including creating our own flying vehicles such as parachutes.

Messages

- **Teddy Bear's Picnic on Friday** – please send your child with a snack, a book and their teddy.
- Please send in a **named carrier bag** that the children can take up with them.

Nursery



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to Nursery! We hope you all had a wonderful half-term break.

This week, we were delighted to complete the **Little Feet Elmer Walking Challenge**. The children did a fantastic job walking, scootering, and biking to school. Each day, we continued our journey, meeting Elmer's family and friends along the way until we finally reached Grandpa Eldo. It has been a wonderful challenge, and we are so proud of all the children for their enthusiasm and participation.

In **Maths**, we revisited 2D shapes and enjoyed using our new group-time carpet, which features shapes such as circles, ovals, rectangles, squares, and triangles. The children became shape detectives, searching around the classroom to identify objects that matched the shapes they had learned.

In **Literacy**, we were very fortunate to welcome parents into Nursery to read stories from their home countries and in different languages. The children thoroughly enjoyed listening to these stories and learning about different cultures and languages.

On **Friday**, we celebrated **Culture Day** by learning about Portugal. The children learned a traditional Portuguese song and proudly performed it during the assembly. Nursery also practised some challenging Portuguese words and phrases. Well done, Nursery—you were amazing!

Kind Reminders
As the weather becomes warmer, please remember to:
• Bring a labelled sun hat
• Apply sun cream before coming to school
• Avoid sending children with sunglasses unless they are prescribed
• Ensure all clothing is clearly labelled, as children will be taking items on and off more frequently throughout the day

We wish you a lovely weekend. 🌷

Kind regards,

The Nursery Team

Whiteheath Infant and Nursery School

TEDDY BEAR Picnic!



FRIDAY 12TH JUNE

To celebrate our transition visits to the junior school, the children will be taking part in a **Teddy Bear Picnic!**



PLEASE CAN ALL CHILDREN BRING:



A favourite book



A teddy bear



A small snack for the picnic

This event is for the children only and will take place during the school day.

Thank you for your support!

WHITEHEATH INFANT SCHOOL 🎵

EXTRA-CURRICULAR CLUBS – SUMMER TERM 2026

External clubs will be available from **week commencing Monday 20th April** to **week commencing Monday 13th July 2026**.

Please note, there will be **no clubs during half-term week (Monday 23rd May – Friday 29th May)** 🤸

To book your child's place, please **contact the clubs directly** using the details below.

🧘 Monday

GYMNASTICS (8:00–8:45am) - *Reception, Year 1 & Year 2*
The PSD Group
🌐 thepsdgroup.org.uk/psd-clubs 📞 0203 397 7409 | ✉️ info@thepsdgroup.org.uk

STREET DANCE (3:20–4:20pm) - *Reception, Year 1 & Year 2*
Soul Performing Arts
🌐 www.igotsoulofficial.com 📞 07791 466 859 | ✉️ info@igotsoulofficial.com

MAGICAL MATHS CLUB (3:20–4:20pm) - *Reception, Year 1 & Year 2*
Professor Poopenshtinken's Magical Maths
🌐 magicalmathsclub.com 📞 07734 733240

🎸 Tuesday

ROCKSTEADY MUSIC SCHOOL (during school hours) *Reception, Year 1 & Year 2*
🌐 rocksteadymusicschool.com 📞 0330 113 0330 | ✉️ info@rocksteadymusicschool.com

THE CREATION STATION (3:20–4:20pm) *Reception, Year 1 & Year 2*
✉️ lisaandrews@thecreationstation.co.uk | 📞 07885 492952

⚽ Wednesday

FOOTBALL (3:20–4:20pm) *Reception, Year 1 & Year 2*
The Elms
🌐 www.theelms.co.uk 📞 020 8954 8787 | ✉️ info@theelms.co.uk

🎾 Thursday

TENNIS (3:20–4:20pm) - *Reception, Year 1 & Year 2*
Let's Go Tennis 📞 020 3291 2984 | ✉️ lisa@letsgotennis@gmail.com

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🎭 Friday

YOGA (3:20–4:15pm) - *Reception, Year 1 & Year 2*
🌐 yogicminds.co.uk 📞 07720 249925 | ✉️ inquiry@yogicminds.co.uk

DRAMA (3:20–4:20pm) - *Reception, Year 1 & Year 2*
Little Voices https://tinyurl.com/hety29r2 📞 07787 535506 | ✉️ coleen@littlevoices.org.uk

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Hillingdon Parent Carers Forum

FAMILY ENGAGEMENT DAY

FREE EVENT!!!
For children and young people (0-25) with SEND and their families

11th July

11:00AM - 15:00PM

At

THE PRIDE ACADEMY
UB7 8AB

Event Highlights

FREE Face Painting

FREE Fun and Games from Hasbro

FREE Bouncy Castles

FREE Selfie booth

FREE Henna

FREE Animal Interactions

FREE Tea, Coffee, Juice and Biscuits

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT: HILLINGDONPCF@GMAIL.COM

Free Trial Session and £40 discount at Perform

Popular children's drama and dance school Perform is offering a Free Trial Session and a **special introductory discount of £40 for members of Whiteheath Infant and Nursery School** if they sign up by Tuesday 22nd September 2026. Parents should quote WHTX220926 when they book their free session by going to perform.org.uk/try or calling 020 7255 9120.

You can find out more about the classes at perform.org.uk/try. Alternatively, pdf flyers can be downloaded from here.

Click to find your nearest classes or view a list of all areas.



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WHITEHEATH INFANT & NURSERY SCHOOL
TERM DATES 2025-2026

Public Holidays 2026

Good Friday	Friday 3rd April 2026
Easter Monday	Monday 6th April 2026
May Day Bank Holiday	Monday 4th May 2026
Spring Bank Holiday	Monday 25th May 2026

Autumn Term 2025

Closure	Tuesday 2nd September (Training Day)
Term Starts	Wednesday 3rd September
Closure	Friday 24th October (Training Day)
Half Term	Monday 27th October – 31st October
Term Ends	Friday 19th December @ 12.20pm

Spring Term 2026

Closure	Monday 5th January (Training Day)
Term Starts	Tuesday 6th January
Half Term	Monday 16th February – Friday 20th February
Term Ends	Friday 27th March @ 12.20pm

Summer Term 2026

Closure	Monday 13th April (Training Day)
Term Starts	Tuesday 14th April
Half Term	Monday 25th May – Friday 29th May
Term Ends	Tuesday 21st July @ 12.20pm
Closure	Wednesday 22nd July (Training Day)

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WHITEHEATH INFANT SCHOOL

TERMS AND HOLIDAYS FOR 2026 - 2027

Public Holidays 2027

Good Friday	Friday 26th March
Easter Monday	Monday 29th March
May Day	Monday 3rd May
Spring Bank Holiday	Monday 31st May

Autumn Term 2026

Closure	Wednesday 2nd September (Training Day)
Term Starts	Thursday 3rd September
Half Term	Monday 26th – Friday 30th October
Closure	Monday 2nd November (Training Day)
Term Ends	Friday 18th December @ 12.20pm

Spring Term 2027

Closure	Monday 4th January (Training Day)
Term Starts	Tuesday 5th January
Half Term	Monday 15th – Friday 19th February
Term Ends	Thursday 25th March @ 12.20pm

Summer Term 2027

Term Starts	Monday 12th April
Half Term	Monday 31st – Friday 4th June
Term Ends	Tuesday 20th July @ 12.20pm
Closure	Wednesday 21st July (Training Day)
Closure	Thursday 22nd July (Training Day)