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Friday 15th May 2026



2026	
'Happy Shoesday'	Tuesday 19th May
Ducklings Assembly	Tuesday 19th May at 9.10
Walk to School Week	Monday 18th – Friday 22nd May
Wrens Assembly	Wednesday 20th May at 9.10
Half Term	**Monday 25th May – Friday 29th May**
Cultural Day	Friday 5th June
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
Exotic Animals Visit Y2	Wednesday 24th June
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
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,

What an amazing weekend we had at the **May Fayre on Saturday**. It was wonderful to see so many of you there, enjoying the sunshine, celebrating our Ofsted report together, and coming together as a school community. The atmosphere was fantastic — full of smiles, laughter and good times.

A **huge, heartfelt thank you** to **WISA**, our incredible parent association, for organising such a brilliant event. They work tirelessly behind the scenes throughout the year, and the Fayre is a perfect example of the dedication, creativity and generosity they bring to our school. We are so grateful for everything they do. Thank you also to our staff, Governors and all the parents who volunteered on the day — your support made the event the success it was.

This week has also been **Bike to School Week**, and it has been lovely to see so many children riding, scooting and wheeling their way into school. Well done to everyone who took part. Next week is **Walk to School Week**, and if you live a little further away, why not try a **park and stride**? Every small step helps us promote healthier, greener travel. Thank you to **Mrs Marks** for organising both weeks and for championing our sustainable travel work.

Yesterday, **Swans** treated us to a wonderful assembly all about their trip to the farm and the learning they have been doing in class. They sang beautifully and spoke with such confidence. A big well done to the children, the staff team and to all the parents and carers who came along to support them.

Wishing you all a lovely week ahead.

Mrs Hall

SCHOOL NEWS & EVENTS

Weekly Attendance by Class

5th May – 8th May

Class	Attendance %
Nursery	88.6
Wrens	95.2
Swans	93.2
Ducklings	93.5
Doves	95.4
Robins	99.1
Puffins	96.0
Swallows	97.5

Class of the Week: Robins (99.1%)

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Headlice Reminder

We have had a small number of reported cases of **headlice** in school. As a school, we are not permitted to carry out head-checks on children, so we rely on parents and carers to check regularly at home. We kindly ask that you check your child's hair this week and treat if needed. Your support helps us **prevent** headlice from spreading.



Walk to School Week – 18th May – 22nd May

Following Bike Week, we will also be taking part in **Walk to School Week** during **w/c 18th May** as part of our ongoing **TFL STARS sustainable travel programme**. We are encouraging as many families as possible to walk, wheel or scoot to school throughout the week. Walking to school helps children stay active, reduces congestion around the school gates and supports our commitment to safer, greener travel. Thank you for helping us promote healthy habits and a cleaner environment for our community.



Happy Shoesday! – Tuesday 19th May

As part of Walk to School week, we will be taking part in **'Happy Shoesday' on Tuesday 19th May**! We'd love to get everyone walking to school in their favourite pair of shoes - bright, bold, sparkly, comfy, sporty, or wonderfully weird! Please send pictures of your 'Happy Shoesday' to: stars@hillingdon.gov.uk and lets show off how bright colourful Whiteheath can be!



Cultural Day - Friday 5th June

On this special day, children are invited to come to school dressed in their cultural outfits to celebrate and share their heritage with others. Throughout the day, the children will be learning about different cultures from around the world. There will also be a whole-school assembly where each year group will have the opportunity to share what they have learned about a different culture. In the week commencing 1st June, we would love for parents and carers to come into school to talk to the children about their culture and, if possible, read a story in their home language. If you would like to take part, please speak to your child's class teacher. We look forward to celebrating the rich diversity within our school community together.

Year 2




It has been another fantastic week in Year 2, with lots of fun learning and some lovely creative dragon experiences too!

Next Week

Maths

In Maths, we will continue our focus on fractions. The children will be finding the whole and learning about unit fractions and non-unit fractions. A unit fraction is a fraction where the numerator is 1, for example 1/2, 1/3 or 1/4. A non-unit fraction has a numerator greater than 1, for example 2/3, 3/4 or 5/6.

Maths Help at Home - You can support at home by helping your child spot examples in everyday life, such as sharing food or grouping objects. For example, “One slice out of four is one quarter,” or “Two quarters means two of the four equal parts.” You could also practise finding the whole when given one part, for example: “If 1/3 is 4 sweets, how many sweets are there altogether?” You may also like to practise identifying unit and non-unit fractions in practical situations.

English

Next week will be our final week exploring George and the Dragon. The children will be using everything they have learnt throughout the unit to rewrite the story in their own words before publishing their very own books. We are looking forward to seeing the children use adventurous vocabulary, detailed descriptions and exciting sentence ideas in their finished writing.

Dimensions – Art

As part of completing our One Day, Many Ways topic, the children will be exploring global costumes and traditional dress from around the world through art activities. They will be creating collage costumes using different colours, patterns and fabrics linked to cultures across the globe.

Dimensions - History

We will continue our new history topic, Record Breaker, learning about the life and achievements of Sir Ranulph Fiennes. Next week, the children will explore his incredible Transglobe Expedition and think about what life is like as an explorer.

Walk to School Week

Next week is Walk to School Week. Children who walk to school every day throughout the week will receive a certificate. We look forward to seeing lots of active journeys to school!

Reminders

* Please ensure your child reads regularly at home
* PE days: Wednesdays and Fridays (children should come to school in PE kits)
* Please make sure all clothing is clearly labelled
* Spelling practice at home is encouraged
* Homework should be returned on Tuesday

We hope you all have a lovely weekend.

The Year 2 Team

Year 1





What an exciting week it has been! We started reading a new book in English, *The Snail and the Whale*, and we have also begun our new topic, *The Powhatan People*. The children have enjoyed the hook lessons for both of these new topics and will continue to learn more next week.

In English, we will be continuing our learning based on the book *The Snail and the Whale*. We will be exploring where the snail and the whale travel on their adventures and then writing diary entries in the first person, as if we are the snail, about some of the locations they visit.

In Phonics, after half term, we will be revising and assessing all the sounds we have learnt so far in preparation for the phonics screening check.

In Maths, we will be finishing our work on fractions by finding a quarter of a quantity. We will then begin our next Maths topic on positional and directional language.

In Topic, we will continue to learn about the Powhatan people. We will be learning about how Pocahontas, although she was a princess, still had to learn how to survive in the wilderness. The children will also learn about colonists and explore what this means by comparing the Powhatan tribe with the English colonists. In Science, the children will identify different plants that grow during different seasons in the UK and compare them to those that used to grow in Native America.

We are looking forward to celebrating Cultural Day on Friday 5th June. We will be making artwork, listening to music, learning some languages, and learning a dance.

Notices:

18th – 22nd of May: Walk to School week

5th June- Cultural day

Reception



It was so lovely to see so many of you at the Fayre on Saturday — thank you for coming along and supporting the school.

Well done to Swans for their fantastic assembly last week. The children were so proud of themselves, and it was wonderful to see such confident performances. We are now looking forward to Ducklings and Wrens sharing their assemblies next week.

In class, the children have been trying really hard with their challenges. These challenges help build independence and get the children "Year 1 ready". Please ask your child which challenges they have completed — it really helps spark interest and encourages them to talk about their learning. Challenges may include:

- Maths challenges
- Art or creative tasks
- Writing challenges
- Hands-on activities such as building or problem-solving

Learning Next Week

Maths

We will be continuing our work on adding and taking away, using practical resources, stories and problem-solving to deepen understanding.

Drawing Club

Our focus text will be Noah's Ark, which links beautifully to our Dimensions topic. The children will explore characters, settings and vocabulary through drawing, storytelling and writing.

Dimensions Topic – Travelling on Water

This week we will be learning about the different ways people travel on water. Activities will include:

- Exploring floating and sinking
- Looking at boats, ships and other water vehicles
- Learning about the history of water travel
- Hands-on investigations and creative tasks

We hope you have a lovely weekend and we're really looking forward to seeing you all next week.

Nursery



Dear Parents and Carers,

Nursery has had an exciting week as we explored our topic of transport on water and learned about different types of water bodies. Miss Filipa shared photos and experiences from her recent trip to help bring our learning to life.

We also enjoyed attending Gardening Club, where the children are learning how to plant and care for different plants.

In Maths, we continued exploring positional language, helping the children describe where things are using words such as “behind,” “next to,” and “under.”

In Phonics, we learned the letter sound “y” and practised recognising and using it in different words.

Next week, we will be taking part in the “Little Feet Elmer” walking challenge. This activity encourages children to walk to school whenever possible. Each day, we will ask the children whether they walked to and from school.

Kind reminders:

- Children should only have one small keyring attached to their book bag.
- Please ensure that all clothing is clearly labelled, as the children are taking items on and off more frequently.
- Please check the lost property area outside the main reception for any missing or unlabelled items.

We wish you all a lovely weekend.

Kind regards,
The Nursery Team 🌷

CULTURAL DAY

Friday 5th June

CHILDREN CAN COME IN DRESSED IN THEIR **CULTURAL CLOTHING!**

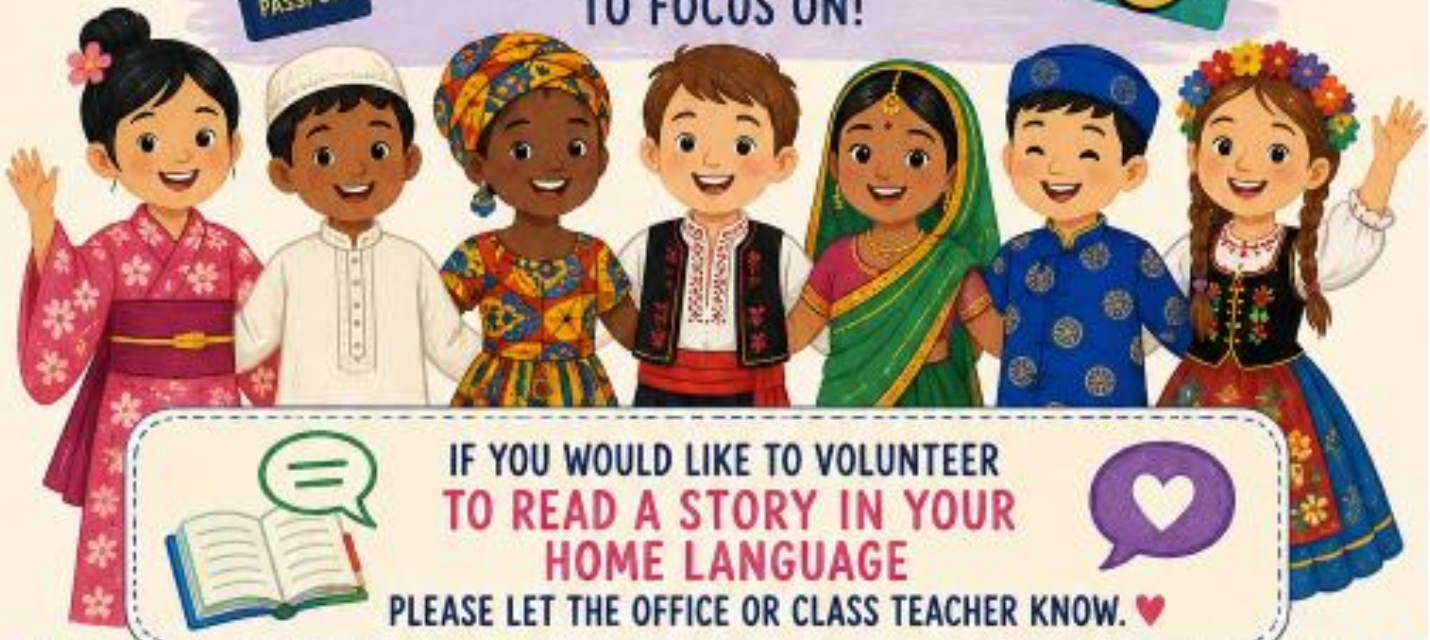


ACTIVITIES THROUGHOUT THE DAY TO **CELEBRATE DIFFERENT CULTURES!**



EACH YEAR GROUP WILL HAVE **A DIFFERENT COUNTRY** TO FOCUS ON!





IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO VOLUNTEER **TO READ A STORY IN YOUR HOME LANGUAGE**

PLEASE LET THE OFFICE OR CLASS TEACHER KNOW. ♥

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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!

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WRAPAROUND CARE IS EXPANDING!

Great news!

Due to growing demand, we will have additional Wraparound Care places available from

JUNE 2026!

Whiteheath Infant and Nursery School

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Our provision is so much more than childcare.

It's a fun, nurturing space where children can:



Swipe to see more! →

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- Enjoy engaging activities
- Build friendships and social skills
- Develop confidence and independence
- Learn everyday life skills
- Relax and have fun before and after the school day

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A safe, familiar environment with caring staff, right here at school.



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Spaces from JUNE 2026

Book via SchoolMoney

(or contact the school office for details)

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Places are limited and expected to fill quickly.

Because naturally everyone waits until the good thing is nearly full. 😉

Whiteheath Infant and Nursery School

Together we learn, grow and thrive

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.



Now showing, CONFIDENCE!

Drama, dance & singing classes
designed to help 4–12 year olds shine

"My son has adored his first term at Perform. He has blossomed and I've seen his confidence grow every week."
Pippa Wotton

PERFORM
WATCH YOUR CHILD SHINE

Play is a POWERFUL THING

Perform classes help boost children's **confidence, concentration, coordination** and **communication** skills, as well as being lots of fun.

Our expertly designed drama, dance and singing sessions for 4-7s and 7-12s are run by experienced teachers, hand-picked for their warmth and approachability. They'll be with your child every step of the way – inspiring and encouraging them to develop vital life skills as they discover the joy of performing.



What does Perform offer?

- Performing arts-based games and exercises
- Focus on a different social skill each week
- Small classes and feedback on your child's progress
- Specially created scripts, videos and apps
- End of term presentation for family and friends

"Perform helps develop all key areas of a child in a fun, supportive and engaging way. It gives my daughter a brilliant sense of fun, community, purpose and pride in her achievements."
Begum Bari

Ready to try for free?

Your child's first class is free, so why not give it a go? Classes take place all over, have a look online or call us:

perform.org.uk/try 020 7255 9120



Holiday Camps in Hillingdon!
Play, Create, Celebrate: World Cup Fun This May Half-Term

The World Cup is coming — and this May half-term, **Holiday HQ** turns that excitement into a **four-day celebration of play, creativity and teamwork** at Whiteheath Junior School

👉 Whiteheath Junior School – HA4

Delivered by **Junior Adventures Group (JAG)**, this high-energy, **multi-activity holiday club** is inspired by the global event — but it's not just football drills. Children are straight into team challenges, creative builds, quizzes, games and matches, finishing the week with finals day, celebrations and awards.

Check out our Activity Schedule!

🗓️ **Tuesday 26 – Friday 29 May**
👧👴 **Ages 4–12**
☑️ Safe, Ofsted-registered holiday childcare
☑️ Experienced, DBS-checked staff
☑️ Full and half-day options — book only the days you need
☑️ 48-hour cancellation policy
☑️ Tax-Free Childcare accepted

Children head home happily tired and proud of what they've achieved — while parents enjoy dependable holiday cover and an easier week.

👉 **Find your local club**
👉 **Find out what's on**
👉 **Register/Book Now**

Active days for them. An easier week for you.

📞 0333 577 1533 | 📧 hello@junioradventuresgroup.co.uk

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)