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Friday 23rd January 2026



2026	
Year 1 Local trip to Manor Farm	Monday 26th January
Reception Swans Assembly	Friday 30th January – 9.10
SEN Coffee Morning	Monday 2nd February 9.00 to 10.00
Little City Workshop for Nursery	Tuesday 3rd February
Reception Ducklings Assembly	Wednesday 4th February – 9.10
Free Drama workshop for Reception to Y2 pupils	Thursday 5th February
Book for life workshops for Reception- Year 2	Tuesday 10th February
Parents Evening for Nursery/Reception/Year 1 and Year 2 classes	Tuesday 10th February
Parents Evening for Year 2 Puffins Class	Wednesday 11th February
Parents Evening for Nursery/Reception/Year 1 and Year 2 Swallows Class	Thursday 12th February
Half Term	Monday 16th February – Friday 20th February
Year 1 Trip to Chiltern Open Air Museum	Monday 2nd March
WISA Presents 'The Take That Experience' at Ruislip Rugby Club - To buy tickets scroll down to page 8 (Adults only event)	Friday 6th March
SEN Coffee Morning	Monday 9th March 9.00 to 10.00
Year 2 trip to Windsor	Friday 13th March
Reception & Year 1 Music Concert	Tuesday 17th March 9:10 & 2:30
Nursery & Y2 Music Concert	Friday 20th March - 9:10 & 2:30
School Term Ends	Friday 27th March at 12.20
School Closed for children – Teacher Training Day	Monday 13th April
Summer Term/School Re-opens	Tuesday 14th April
On The Right Road-performance and workshop for Year 1 & 2	Thursday 23rd April
Y1 Assemblies (Class group tbc)	Wednesday 29th April
Y1 Assemblies (Class group tbc)	Wednesday 6th May
SEN Coffee Morning	Monday 11th May 9.00 to 10.00
Reception Assemblies (Class group tbc)	Thursday 14th May
Reception Assemblies (Class group tbc)	Tuesday 19th May
Reception Assemblies (Class group tbc)	Wednesday 20th May
Half Term	Monday 25th May – Friday 29th May
Cultural Day	Friday 5th June
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,

It has been another wonderfully busy and enriching week at Whiteheath, with lots of exciting learning experiences across the school.

On **Tuesday**, Year 2 enjoyed a special **Pink Day** linked to their work on *The Day the Crayons Quit*. The children celebrated the pink crayon by dressing in pink and taking part in themed activities, a brilliant way to bring the story to life.

On **Wednesday**, Year 1 brought in shirts representing different groups they belong to, from sports clubs to community groups. It was a lovely way for the children to recognise and celebrate the many communities they are part of.

The whole school also enjoyed a *Hungry Caterpillar* workshop courtesy of HCL. The children created their own caterpillars using a range of fresh fruits and vegetables and then tasted the beautiful, colourful selection. It was a fantastic way to combine healthy eating with creativity.

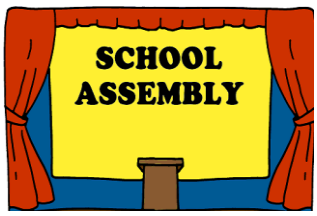
As part of our *Help Is at Hand* topic in the Early Years, both Reception and Nursery enjoyed fantastic visits from parents who work in the emergency services. On Tuesday, a Reception parent who is a police officer brought their police car to school, and the children were thrilled to explore it, ask questions, and learn more about how the police keep us safe. Then on Wednesday, a Reception parent who is a firefighter visited to talk to the EYFS children about their role and how firefighters help people in emergencies. The children loved meeting real-life helpers from our own school community and learning more about the important jobs they do.

Wrens delivered a brilliant class assembly on Wednesday morning. I was incredibly proud to see them confidently share their learning and sing their songs with such enthusiasm. A huge well done to all the children and staff involved.

Thank you to everyone who helped make this week so memorable for our children.

Jackie Hall
Headteacher

Messages/Reminders from the Admin Team



Reception Swans Assembly
Friday 30th January – 9.10

We're excited to welcome Swans Parents/Carers! Please gather outside the main school reception, and the doors will open at 9:10 for you to come in and enjoy the assembly.



Year 1 Local trip to Manor Farm
Monday 26th January

Year 1 will leave school at **9:30am** and walk to Manor Farm, completing a booklet about the human and physical features they see on the way. We expect to arrive around **10:30am**.
At Manor Farm, the children will go on guided tours to learn about the history of the house and its surroundings, visit the library, and enjoy a story-time session. The workshops will finish at **12:15pm**, followed by **lunch at Manor Farm**.





*Please make sure your child brings waterproof clothing in case it rains, and either a packed lunch or remember to order lunch through HCL.

We will be leaving Manor Farm at **1:00pm**.



SEN Coffee Morning
Monday 2nd February 9.00 to 10.00

Come along to our coffee morning, for informal chats which we hope will provide you with support and chance to meet other parents of children with SEN. We look forward to seeing you then.



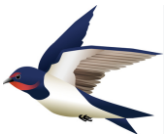
Phonics and Early Reading Workshop Presentation

Our Phonics and Early Reading Workshop is now available online for all parents and carers. This session is designed to give you a clear understanding of how we teach early reading in school and how you can support your child at home with confidence. Thank you for working in partnership with us to support your child's reading journey. A strong start in phonics builds the foundations for confident, fluent readers—and your involvement makes a huge difference.

Please click the link below to access the phonics workshop presentation on our website.

https://whiteheathinfant.secure-primarysite.net/parent-workshops-meetings-presentations/

Year 2





This week in phonics we have reviewed the spelling rules for adding the suffixes 'es' and 'ing' to root words - for example we add 'es' to root words if the word ends in s, x, z, ch or sh to make the word plural. We also reviewed the rule that we double the final letter of a word when adding 'ing', for example drum - drumming - this protects the short vowel sound 'u' in the word.

We enjoyed 'Pink Day' on Tuesday and the children wrote some excellent descriptions of a variety of pink items on their tables. It was wonderful to see the children really embrace and enjoy pink day and it helped to enrich and consolidate their understanding of our story 'The Day the Crayons Quit. English lessons next week continue with persuasive letter writing and applying the skills that have been taught so far this term as part of our writing unit.

We continue working with money in Maths, understanding how we can make the same value using different coins and notes - for example how we can make £15 27p using different combinations. Anything you can do at home to support your child's understanding of money, giving change etc is greatly appreciated.

We have been learning about Habitats and Microhabitats in our Science lessons this week - the children enjoyed carrying out their outdoor experiment to find minibeasts living within the micro habitats in our Forest School area on Thursday. Our focus in our Beachcombers topic next week is identifying human features by the coast. Our science lessons will be focusing on forces and movement.

Please book your online Parents Evening slot asap so that you are not disappointed. Please remember to leave a gap between sibling's appointments.

Reminders:

- Monday: Send Reading books back to school
- Tuesday: Oracy homework due in and children will start performing their poetry in front of the class
- Wednesday: PE (Please send children in PE kit)
- Friday: PE, Library and Spelling Test Day (Please send children to school in full PE kit)

Have a lovely weekend,
The Year 2 Team

Year 1




Next week in English, the children will plan, write, and edit their own version of *The Queen's Hat*. In Phonics, we will focus on the following sounds: y (funny), ea (head), wh (wheel), oe (toe), and ou (shoulder). The children will also be introduced to the tricky words any, many, and again.

In Mathematics, the children will continue ordering numbers and complete our unit on Place Value. We will then begin our unit on Subtraction, practising counting on when adding and using known number bonds within 20 to identify patterns (e.g. 3 + 4 = 7, therefore 13 + 4 = 17 and 3 + 14 = 17). It would be very helpful if children could practise number bonds within 10 at home, aiming for instant recall of combinations of single-digit numbers (e.g. 4 + 5 or 2 + 6).

As part of our topic Unity in the Community, the children will use Google Earth to explore houses in our local area. This will lead into our Design and Technology project, where they will investigate a range of materials before designing and constructing their own houses. Model-making will take place on 2nd February for Doves and 3rd February for Robins. Parent volunteers are very welcome and greatly appreciated.

In Science, we will continue learning about plants and trees, with a particular focus on the differences between deciduous and evergreen trees. In Computing, the children will use Bee-Bots to further consolidate their understanding of algorithms. In PSHE, we will explore our local community and the different roles people play to help care for one another. If you work in a profession that supports the local community, please do get in touch. We would be delighted to welcome you into school on **Thursday 29th January at 2:00pm** to speak to the children about your job.

Our class trip is scheduled for Monday 26th January. Parent volunteers should arrive at the school reception by 9:00am. We will depart school at 9:30am. During the walk to Manor Farm, the children will complete a booklet focusing on the human and physical features they observe. We aim to arrive at Manor Farm by 10:30am, where the children will take part in guided tours of the house and surrounding grounds. They will learn about the history of Manor Farm and how it has changed over time, as well as enjoy a visit to the library for a story session.

In Religious Education, the children will learn about the Aboriginal creation story and create their own rainbow spiral snakes.

Notices

- Year 1 will be attending a Geography and History field trip to Manor Farm on 26th January. Children will need a packed lunch, either from home or ordered through HCL. Thank you to all parent volunteers.
- For the trip on 26th January, please ensure your child wears waterproof clothing in case it rains
- Parent volunteers are required for the DT project on 2nd February (Doves**)** and 3rd February (Robins).
- Spelling tests will continue to take place every Friday.
- PE lessons will be on Mondays for Robins and Tuesdays for Doves.
- Please continue to support your child with letter and number formation, including correct use of capital letters.
- Please email Mrs Sokhi or Mrs Ali if you are able to visit school on **29th January** to talk to Year 1 about your role in the local community.

Thank you for your continuous support - Mrs Sokhi and Mrs Ali

Reception





We've had another wonderful few weeks in Reception and the children have been busy exploring, creating and learning in so many exciting ways.

🌟 **Maths: Composition of 6, 7 and 8**
In maths, we will be deepening our understanding of the numbers 6, 7 and 8. The children will explore different ways to make these numbers using practical resources, tens frames and real-life objects. They are becoming brilliant at explaining their thinking and noticing patterns in number so we look forward to seeing them continuing this as we explore more numbers.

🎨 **Drawing Club: New Books to Inspire Us**
Our Drawing Club adventures continue, and we are thrilled to introduce three new texts that have already captured the children's imaginations:

Astro Girl *The Boy with Flowers in His Hair* *Penguin in Peril*

These stories are helping us build rich vocabulary, spark creativity and inspire wonderful drawings, writing and role play.

🩺 **Dimensions Topic: Helping Hand**
We are continuing our topic on *Helping Hand*, learning all about doctors, nurses and the important work they do. We have been incredibly lucky to welcome more visitors into school to talk about their roles. The children have absolutely loved meeting them, and we want to say a huge thank you to all the parents who have given up their time to come in. Your support makes such a difference.

📚 **Library Thursdays**
Every Thursday we visit the school library, where the children choose a book to bring home. Please ensure this book is returned the following Thursday so your child can select a new one. The children have been so excited to choose their own books—thank you for sharing these with them at home.

📖 **Reading Books – Monday Reminder**
We are still collecting reading books every Monday. Please make sure your child's reading book is in school so we can change it ready for the new week.

🛠️ **Junk Modelling & Water Area Resources**
We would be very grateful for any junk modelling materials for our upcoming projects. We are also refreshing our water tray area and would welcome any resources you no longer need at home, such as:

plastic jugs funnels strainers sponges small containers

These items help us keep the water area exciting and engaging for the children.

✨ **Dress-Up Day – Wednesday 11th February**
On Wednesday 11th February, children are invited to come to school dressed as what they would like to be when they grow up. We can't wait to see their ideas and celebrate their aspirations.

🗣️ **This Week's Discussion Question**
"Who helps you when you are feeling poorly, and how do they help you?" This is a lovely way to build on our learning about doctors and nurses and encourage rich conversations at home.

Thank you for your continuous support – Reception Team

Nursery





We have had a very busy week learning about emergencies and the important role helpers play in our community. The children also had a wonderful time in the Caterpillar workshop, where they explored and tasted new foods.

Next week, our focus will be **Doctors and Nurses**. We will be learning about what doctors and nurses do and discussing ways we can keep ourselves healthy.

In **Maths**, we will be focusing on the number **4**. The children will practise counting objects by touching each one and learning to line objects up carefully before counting. We will also explore the numeral 4 and match four objects to the number.

In **Literacy**, we will be introduced to our new story, **'Poo in the Zoo'.**

In **Phonics**, we will be learning our new sound **'o'**.

We would really appreciate donations of small recyclable items for our junk modelling activities. For allergy and hygiene reasons, please do not bring containers that have contained nuts, or any toilet roll or egg boxes.

We hope you have a lovely weekend! 😊

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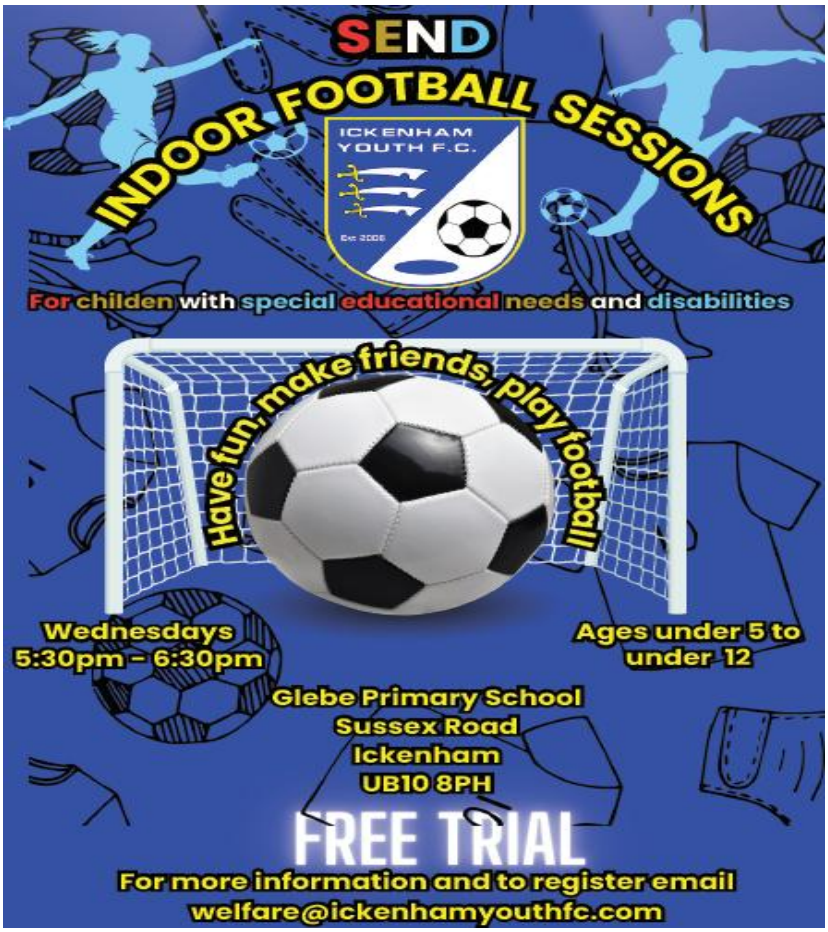
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EXTRA-CURRICULAR CLUBS – SPRING TERM 2026

External clubs will be available from **week commencing Monday 12th January** to **week commencing Monday 16th March 2026**.

Please note, there will be **no clubs during half-term week (Monday 16th February – Friday 20th February)** 🤸

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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WHITEHEATH INFANT & NURSERY SCHOOL TERM AND HOLIDAYS FOR 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)