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Friday 12th December 2025





Christmas Carol Concert at the local Church	Monday 15th December 1.45 to 3.00
Rocksteady Concert	Tuesday 16th December
Autumn Term Ends (school finishes at 12.20)	Friday 19th December at 12.20
2026	
School Closed for children – Teacher Training Day	Monday 5th January
Spring Term Start/School Re-Opens	Tuesday 6th January
Reception Wrens Assembly	Wednesday 21st January – 9.10
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
Parents Evening for Nursery/Reception/Year 1 and Year 2	Tuesday 10th February 2026
Parents Evening for Nursery/Reception/Year 1 and Year 2	Thursday 12th February 2026
Half Term	Monday 16th February – Friday 20th February
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
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.



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Head Teacher's Update

Dear Families,

First of all I would like to say a huge thank you to our WISA team for Friday and to all of you who volunteered, it was a great success and we were fortunate that the rain held off.

This week the Christmas cheer has continued with Year 1's amazing Christmas show. The children sang beautifully and looked wonderful in their costumes. A huge well done and thank you to our Year 1 staff team and to the children for putting on such a joyful performance, and thank you to the parents who came along to support.

On Monday, Ms Isaac delivered an art assembly where the children all drew a snowman. It was wonderful to see so many children engaged and enjoying the activity together. On Thursday, Mrs Kramer led our assembly on the book 'Shh We Have a Plan' giving the children another chance to reflect and learn together.

Today has been Christmas dinner day at school. The children enjoyed the festive meal and the atmosphere was full of excitement.

As we approach the end of term, Mrs Grieller and Mrs Taylor will be leaving Whiteheath. We would like to thank them both for their hard work and contribution to the school during their time with us. We are pleased to confirm that Miss Ali will be taking over the Robins class from January. We look forward to welcoming her to the team and appreciate your support as she settles into her new role.

Looking ahead, next Monday 15th we have our trip to the church to continue the festivities and sing songs together. Thank you to all those who have said they will join us to walk there, your support is greatly appreciated.

Wishing you all a peaceful weekend as we head into the final week of term.

Warm regards,

Jackie Hall

Headteacher

Messages/Reminders from the Admin Team



External After School Clubs – End of Term Update

- Gymnastics: The final morning session will take place on Monday, 15th December.

The following clubs will **not** be running next week (w/c 15th December). Please ensure you make alternative arrangements for your child/children to be collected at the end of the school day.

Magical Maths	**Creative Arts**	
Tennis	**The Elms Football**	**Little Voices**
Yoga	**I Got Soul**	

❖ **External clubs will be available from week commencing Monday 12th January 2026**



End of Term Information

The last day of term will be **Friday, 19th December 2025** and school will close at **12:20pm**.

- **Afterschool care:** Children booked into **Kingfisher Afterschool Club** must be collected by **3:00pm** on the same day.
- **Lunch arrangements:** On the last day of term there will be **no hot meals** provided. Please ensure your child brings a packed lunch from home or has one booked with HCL.



Spaces Available in Nursery, Reception and Year 1

We are delighted to let families know that we currently have a small number of places available in our Nursery, Reception and Year 1 classes.

If you know of any families who may be looking for a school place, we would be very happy to welcome them to our thriving, inclusive community. Please encourage them to contact the school office for further information or to arrange a visit.



SANTA'S POST BOX

Santa's Post Box will be outside the main school reception until Wednesday 17th December for children to send festive cards within our school only.

Please ensure all cards are clearly labelled with the child's full name and class. If possible, bundle each class's cards together with an elastic band.

Cards without this information, or received after 9.30am on Wednesday 17th, cannot be delivered.



Nursery Children - Little City Role Play Workshop – Payment Now Available

Nursery children will enjoy a visit from *Little City* on **Tuesday 3rd February 2026**, taking part in an exciting interactive role-play workshop.

The cost of the session is **£7.14 per child**, and payment is now available on **SchoolMoney**. Please log in to your account to make the payment by **Friday 19th December. If** you have not received log-in details for your child's SchoolMoney account, please email Miss Lowman at finance@whiteheath-inf.hillingdon.sch.uk.

WISA Christmas Raffle

Feeling lucky? Step into the holiday spirit and enter the WISA Christmas Raffle! We've packed this year's draw with fantastic prizes and plenty of festive cheer. Want to know more or find out how to enter? Just scroll down to page 10 for all the details.

Year 2





The children have enjoyed showing us their Christmas bauble creations this week and hanging them on our Year 2 Christmas tree. They have also had fun searching for 'Bookie the Brightspark Elf' each morning! We have enjoyed being creative this week - the children have coloured in beautiful Christmas baubles and made their own Christmas cards. We will be fitting in some nice arts and crafts Christmas activities next week before the Christmas holiday.

Our learning about the life and achievements of Elizabeth Blackwell has continued in our History Dimensions topic - the children have learnt about her life on board the ship for 7 weeks and have written some wonderful diary entries about her time spent on board the ship. Next week we shall be learning about what life was like in hospitals at that time and recreating our own hospital inside the classrooms!

In English next week we shall be practising our creative writing by writing a short Christmas story about a snowman.

In maths we will be practising how to draw 2D shapes using a ruler carefully to draw straight lines. We will be finding lines of symmetry in 2D shapes, sorting shapes and counting edges, vertices and faces on 3D shapes.

We have set spellings based on the phonics rules we have covered this week and we will test the children on Thursday the 18th before the end of term. Please return all reading books on Monday - we will not be sending reading books home over the holiday but please continue to share books and encourage lots of reading.

We have our trip to the church on Monday for the annual Christmas Carol Service which we are looking forward to.

Thank you for all your support. We are looking forward to a wonderful last week, full of festive cheer with the children.

Wishing you a lovely weekend.

The Year 2 Team

Year 1




It will soon be the last week of term! A huge well done to all the children for their part in the Nativity this week. It was a big event for everyone and as we said to the children, all the parts were important in order for the show to come together. Thank you again for all your support in making this happen.

We are looking forward to visiting St Martin's Church on Monday afternoon next week. Thank you to those parents who are helping us walk there/ back.

In English/Maths next week we will be enjoying a range of Christmas related learning activities including writing a postcard to Santa, telling him how we have been good. In Phonics, we will be revisiting and revising some of the sounds and words we found difficult to remember this past half term, based on our recent assessments.

In History, we will be concluding our topic on Mary Anning. The children will learn about the challenges she faced in sharing her work and gaining recognition within the palaeontological community, particularly due to her gender and humble background. They will explore why she is a significant figure in history and will be introduced to the term *'pioneer'*.

In RE we will be thinking about the differences between Christmas for Christians and secular Christmas experiences.

On Thursday, Year 1 are going to enjoy a Christmas movie. Children can bring in their own snacks for movie time. Please remember we are a **nut free school; the snacks need to be nut free**.

Notices:

- A reminder that no home learning folders will be sent home now until after the holidays. If you still have these at home, please do your best to return them as soon as possible.
- Today will be the last time reading books will go home and please remember to return on Monday as usual
- Snacks for Thursday Christmas movie time.
- Don't forget our early finish on Friday!

Thank you for all your support this term.
We hope you have a lovely weekend.
The Year 1 team.

Reception





It's a joyful, festive week in Reception with lots of exciting learning and celebrations.

🔢 **Maths – Counting & Representations**

Our maths learning is taking on a Christmassy theme! Children are practising counting and representing numbers through festive activities such as:

- Counting decorations and presents
- Matching numbers to Christmas objects
- Using role play to represent numbers in fun, seasonal ways

🔤 **Phonics – Tricky Words & Digraphs**

We are revisiting some of the digraphs we've learned this half term, including:

- th, sh, ch, ng, nk

Alongside these, we are practising our tricky words. The children have worked hard to learn these sounds and words — now we just need some extra practice to build confidence. 👉 at home, you can support by:

- Spotting tricky words in books and signs
- Playing "I spy" with digraph sounds
- Encouraging your child to write or say the words in short sentences

⛪ **Church Visit & Christmas Songs**

We are looking forward to our visit to the church as part of our Christmas celebrations. The children have been enjoying learning the songs, and we would love your support in practising them at home so they feel confident and ready to sing.

💬 **Spark the Conversation – Developing Oracy Skills**

This week's question is: ✨ Would you rather travel to the Moon or travel to the bottom of the ocean?

👉 Please model your answer first so children hear how ideas can be explained. For example: "I would rather travel to the Moon because I'd love to see the stars up close and feel what it's like to walk in space."

Encourage your child to share their choice and reasons, and listen to others' ideas — this helps them practise speaking, listening, and reasoning in a fun, family friendly way.

👩‍⚕️ **Looking Ahead – People Who Help Us**

In the New Year, our topic will be "People Who Help Us." Children will learn about the important roles people play in our community.

If your job involves helping others, we would love for you to come and visit Reception to talk about what you do. Please let your child's class teacher know if you are able to support — it would be a wonderful way to bring learning to life.

Thank you for all your support this term.
We hope you have a lovely weekend.
Reception Team

Nursery



As the Christmas holidays are quickly approaching, we are looking forward to celebrating the festive spirit together and continuing our learning journey with the children! Next week is filled with exciting activities related to Christmas!

We will be reading the nativity story and discussing the meaning behind it. This is a lovely way to reflect on the story of Christmas and explore its traditions and values. The children will have the chance to ask questions, share their thoughts, and talk about how they celebrate Christmas at home!

In Maths, we're wrapping up our work on patterns by exploring ABC patterns. The children will practise identifying, continuing and creating their own patterns using various materials. To extend this learning we'll incorporate movement-based patterns.

In phonics, we will introduce the 'n' sound. The children will practise to think of words that begin with this sound.

Best wishes

The Nursery Team

🎄 **WISA Christmas Raffle – Join the Fun!**

Our WISA Christmas Raffle is here to spread some festive cheer! ✨ With wonderful prizes up for grabs, this is the perfect way to celebrate the season while supporting our school community.

🎁 Don't miss out – secure your tickets today! Simply click the link below to purchase and be in with a chance to win.

https://buytickets.at/whiteheathinfantschoolassociation/1973212



WHITEHEATH INFANT SCHOOL 🎵

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)