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Friday 28th November 2025



Pantomime for Reception to Year 2	Thursday 27th November 1.30 – 3pm
Nursery Christmas Songs family performance siblings welcome	Tuesday 2nd December- 2pm
Nursery Christmas Songs	Wednesday 3rd December 9:15
Christmas themed non uniform day - WISA Christmas Fayre	Friday 5th December
Year 2 songs and Year 2 Choir performance (Outside classroom)	Friday 5th December 2:45pm
Year 2 Choir performance only (Outside classroom)	Friday 5th December 3:30pm
Year 1 Nativity dress rehearsal	Tuesday 9th December- 9:10
Year 1 Nativity	Wednesday 10th December – 9.10 &2.35
Christmas Carol Concert at the local Church	Monday 15th December 1.45 to 3.00
Rocksteady Concert	Tuesday 16th December 9.30 & 2.15
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
SEN Coffee Morning	Monday 2nd February 9.00 to 10.00
Little City Workshop for Nursery	Tuesday 3rd February
Reception Assemblies (Class group tbc)	Wednesday 4th February
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
Reception & Year 1 Music Concert	Tuesday 17th March 9:10 & 2:30
SEN Coffee Morning	Monday 9th March 9.00 to 10.00
Year 2 trip to Windsor	Friday 13th March
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.

Head Teacher's Update

Dear Families,

It has been a busy and joyful week at Whiteheath!

On Tuesday, we welcomed parents into the school hall for a parent workshop on **'Bringing up confident children'**.

On Wednesday, the children and staff practised our **lockdown drill**. We are proud to say that everyone carried this out calmly and quietly, well done to all involved. Later that day, **Father Robert** joined us to deliver a thoughtful assembly, helping the children reflect and engage meaningfully with the themes he shared.

Thursday brought a real highlight: our **school pantomime**, kindly funded by WISA. It was magical, full of laughter, and certainly got us all into the Christmas spirit!

Looking ahead, the festivities continue next week:

- On **Friday**, we will host our **Christmas Fayre and Santa's Grotto**, a wonderful event for families to enjoy together.
- Our **Nursery children** will also be performing their Christmas singing for families, a special moment to celebrate their hard work and joy.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. We look forward to sharing these festive experiences with you and your children.

Jackie Hall
Headteacher

Messages/Reminders from the Admin Team



SANTA'S POST BOX

Santa's post box will be outside the main school reception from Monday 1st December until Wednesday 17th December. This is for your child to send festive cards to one another within our school only.

All cards MUST be clearly addressed with the child's full name and class written clearly on the envelope and where possible, keep cards for each class bundled together with an elastic band.

Any cards without this information or received after 9.30am on Wednesday 17th will not be delivered.



Christmas Fayre & Christmas Jumper Day

This year we are having our **Christmas Jumper Day** on Friday 5th December, same day as Christmas Fayre, in exchange for a **Jolly Jar if you'd prefer a bottle of alcohol, please hand to your teacher on or before Friday 5th December.**



WISA are holding their annual Christmas Fayre for the children during the school day. Each class will get an opportunity to visit the school fayre. Please supply your child with a small named purse/envelope with £5-10 max in change for the day and a named carrier bag to bring home all their lovely purchases.

Information for Rocksteady Concert Children only

Rocksteady Concert – Jumper Reminder For the upcoming Rocksteady concert, children are welcome to bring a Christmas jumper, or any fun jumper of their choice, to wear during their performance. After the concert, they can change back into their school jumper for the rest of the day.



Important Lunch Information – December Dates 🍴

Friday 5th December – School Fayre Day Please note there will be **no hot meal options** available. Families can either book a **packed lunch option through HCL** or provide a **packed lunch from home**.

Friday 12th December – Christmas Lunch 🎄 Our festive Christmas lunch will be served on this day. Orders should be placed **directly with HCL**.

Friday 19th December – Last Day of Term There will be **no hot meals**. Children will need a **packed lunch from home or booked with HCL**.



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.



Please do not send nuts or any foods containing nuts or sesame seeds into school. This includes hummus and any other sesame-based products.

We have children with severe allergies, and even small amounts can put them at serious risk. Your support makes a huge difference in keeping our school a safe and happy place for everyone.

Thank you so much for your support and understanding.

CHRISTMAS TICKETS TO THE PERFORMANCES



To book tickets for the Christmas performances, please click on the links below.

Each family may request up to a maximum of two tickets for one main performance of their choice, due to health and safety regulations.

Nursery Tickets: 2nd & 3rd December Tickets: https://forms.gle/EKag7B5EZrYCag9E8

Year 1 Tickets: 9th & 10th December Tickets: https://forms.gle/YAzxTtaNbmZtm39e8

Please note that **siblings, children, or babies will *not be admitted* to any of the main performances**.

If you are unable to arrange childcare and need to bring a little one, we do have availability during **practice performances**. In this case, please select **practice tickets** (maximum of **2 seats per family**).

👉 *Practice tickets are offered instead of main performance tickets, not in addition to them.*

We politely remind families that **prams and buggies are not permitted in school**, and anyone arriving with siblings, children, or babies for the main performance **will not be allowed entry**. Our pupils and staff dedicate a great deal of effort to deliver an outstanding performance and deserve the chance to perform without interruptions.

Photography and Video Policy

📸 **No photography or video recording is allowed during performances.**

To ensure everyone enjoys an uninterrupted view, we plan to **record the Dress Rehearsals**, provided we receive consent from all families. The video will be shared digitally via **Google Classroom or Class Dojo**.

If you do **not** wish your child to be included in the recording, please ensure you **opt out.**



Volunteers for the Christmas Carol Concert at St Martins Church, Ruislip

Monday 15th December 2025

For Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 Children

- Depart school: 1pm
- Concert: 1.45pm
- Return to school: 3pm

We are looking for volunteers to accompany the children on a walk to St. Martin's Church and join them for the carol concert.

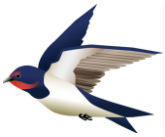
If you are interested in volunteering and have **a valid enhanced DBS with the school**, please click on the link below. (Please note that we are no longer able to accept DBS certificates from other organisations)

https://forms.gle/uLXYdLzCK95xijNNA

- If you do not have an Enhanced DBS and would like to join us for the church service you can meet us at the church for 1.45pm

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Year 2





This week the children have used their knowledge about the Great Fire of London to write some amazing diary entries in our English lessons. In maths we have been working hard on adding and subtracting two 2-digit numbers and working on practical strategies to help us - the children have been working on the exchange method using dienes.

Next week we have the school Christmas Fayre and Santa's Grotto to attend on Friday. Please note there will be no PE lesson on Friday. This is a very special occasion for the children and one which they look forward to every year. Our school library will be transformed into a magical Christmas Grotto and the children will receive a small gift.

For the fayre, please send children in with up to £10 in small change in a named purse or wallet and a carrier bag to put their items in. The fayre is happening during school hours. We will also be singing Christmas songs outside Swallows classroom from 2.45pm on Friday - please come along to listen and share in the Christmas joy.

In English next week we are starting our new book - The Robot and the Bluebird - we have some engaging activities planned for writing and will be focusing on writing a set of instructions.

In Maths, we are coming to the end of the addition and subtraction topic and we will be looking at missing number problems as well as solving word problems. The week will finish with an end of unit assessment before moving onto our new topic on Shape. It would be helpful if you could continue adding and subtracting numbers at home with the children.

We have started on our new History topic 'Medicine Woman' and have been learning facts about the early life of Elizabeth Blackwell.

Thank you for your continued support,

The Year 2 Team

Year 1



In English next week we will be continuing the story on Beegu, we will be looking at the prefix 'un' and how it changes word meaning eg. happy and unhappy. We will be retelling the story of Beegu, remembering how to write super sentences.

In Phonics, we will be revising all the sounds we covered so far.

In Maths, we will be starting a new topic on shape. This week we will focus on naming and identifying 3D shapes and sorting them according to their properties.

This week in History, we will continue learning about **Mary Anning**. We'll be exploring **why she became a fossil hunter** and looking at the fascinating world of fossils. The children will also be introduced to different types of fossils, and they will have the opportunity to **make their own fossil artwork using paper straws on black paper**.

In PSHE, we will be learning about self-regulation and self-image and identity.

In PE, the children will continue to focus on Fundamental Movement Skills for the first session and gymnastics for the second session.

Notices:

- **Please remember to send in your child's costume in a named carrier bag for the Christmas performance by Monday 1st of December**.
- **Parent volunteers wanted: Children will be making dinosaur fossils out of salt dough on the 10th of December.**
- Please continue to help your child practice their letter and number formation at home. This includes capital letters.
- RM Easimaths also continues to be available for extra practice if desired
- Robins PE lessons will be on Mon / Wed. Doves will be on Tues / Wed. As before, please send your child into school in their PE kits on those days.

Thank you for all your support.

We hope you have a lovely weekend. The Year 1 team.

Reception





The children are full of excitement as we head into the festive season, and we have lots of wonderful learning planned for the weeks ahead.

🔢 **Maths – Shapes and Zero**

We'll be finishing off our work on **shapes** by spotting them in the environment and talking about their properties. After this, we'll move on to learning about the number **0**—what it means and how we use it.

👉 At home, you can support by:

- Going on a **shape hunt** indoors or outdoors
- Talking about where you see squares and rectangles in everyday life
- Exploring the idea of "zero" by noticing when there are none left (e.g., no biscuits on the plate!)

🖍️ **Drawing Club – Christmas Magic**

For the next three weeks, we'll be enjoying **Christmas-themed texts** in Drawing Club to spark imagination and creativity. This is a lovely way to bring festive magic into our storytelling, drawing, and writing.

🔤 **Phonics – Focus on 's' Endings**

This week we'll be focusing on words with **s** endings:

- Words with **/s/** added at the end (e.g., *hats*, *sits*)
- Words ending with **/z/** (e.g., *his*)
- Words with **/z/** added at the end (e.g., *bags*)

Please continue to practise these at home. Regular practice really helps children to spot these patterns when reading and writing.

🌟 **Dimensions Curriculum – The Spirit of Christmas**

Our new topic is **"The Spirit of Christmas"**, where we'll be exploring the ideas of **love, joy, peace, and animals**. Children will take part in discussions about what these words mean and how we can show them in our everyday lives.

🎉 **Special Event – Christmas Fayre on Friday**

We are very excited for the **Christmas Fayre this Friday**! It's always a highlight of the term, and we can't wait to celebrate together with festive fun and community spirit.

A reminder that we are looking for adults to accompany us to the Church for our Christmas visit. Please complete the online form on page 4 if you have DBS through the school

Thank you for your continued support.

Warm wishes, **The Reception Team**

Nursery



Dear parents and Carers,

It's been a great week in Nursery! The children enjoyed talking about the different pets we can have at home! We have been very busy practising our songs for the Christmas concert! We will have a very busy but exciting week ahead!

What's happening next Week:

Tuesday 2nd December 2 pm: Singing performance! Sibling's welcome.

Wednesday 3rd December 9.15: Singing performance! Adults only.

Parents and carers are invited to enjoy the children's performance, please make sure you have filled the google form to confirm your attendance as you will not be admitted otherwise. The children are practising very hard and look forward to sharing their songs with you!

Friday 5th December: Christmas Fayre and Santa's Grotto! Please ensure your child brings a clearly labelled shopping bag (for example Tesco, Asda bag) and purse with them.

In between all the fun, we'll also be revisiting some key learning areas:

In phonics, we'll be reviewing the sounds we've learned and practising letter formation.

In Maths, we'll be counting objects, identifying numbers 1 and 2 and practising how to form them.

Donations Request:

We would be most grateful for any donations of wrapping paper, tinsel, small boxes, Christmas toys catalogues and Christmas cards to help with the upcoming activities. Your generosity and support are always greatly appreciated!

Looking forward to an exciting week ahead!
Best wishes
The Nursery Team

CHRISTMAS JOLLY JARS
FRIDAY 5TH DECEMBER

A JOLLY JAR CAN BE MADE USING ANY JAR YOU HAVE AT HOME (PLEASE NONE THAT HAVE CONTAINED OIL OR VINEGAR). THIS CAN BE FILLED WITH ANY OF THE BELOW ITEMS AND DECORATED IN ANY WAY YOU CHOOSE.

THESE JARS WILL BE SOLD AT THE CHRISTMAS FAYRE, ALL PROFITS WILL GO TO THE SCHOOL.
PLEASE HAND YOUR JOLLY JAR TO YOUR CLASS TEACHER ON THE DAY.

YES PLEASE:
✅ WRAPPED SWEETS & CHOCOLATE
✅ SMALL TOYS E.G. LEGO, CARS, TEDDIES, THINGS YOU MIGHT FIND IN A PARTY BAG
✅ CRAFTING TOYS E.G. CRAYONS, POM POMS, PIPE CLEANERS, STICKERS

NO THANK YOU:
❌ NUTS
❌ UNWRAPPED SWEETS OR LOOSE INGREDIENTS
❌ PRODUCTS CONTAINING ALCOHOL

HERE ARE SOME EXAMPLES BUT FEEL FREE TO USE YOUR IMAGINATION 😍







🎨 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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THE LAST WOLAS PUBLIC OBSERVING EVENT OF 2025

VIEW THE NIGHT SKY FROM RUISLIP LIDO

Once again the West of London Astronomical Society invites you to observe the Moon and stars.

Friday 28th Nov - Sunday 30th Nov 2025.
Time 6.00 pm to 8.00 pm.

If the sky is clear the quarter Moon will be well placed along with Uranus and Saturn whose rings are nearly edge-on. The Andromeda Galaxy, Seven Sisters and Double Cluster are amongst the many other objects in the sky.







Bring family and friends to this FREE event - members of WOLAS will be on hand with a variety of their telescopes and will be able to answer any questions you may have.

Don't forget to wear warm clothing, and bring a torch. To avoid dazzling observers, please limit the brightness of your torch to your phone's light or equivalent and point it down when on site.

The Turntable Tea Room will be open and there are toilets next to it.

Please visit our website for more information.
A GO/NO GO call will be posted no later than 3pm each day.

Ruislip Lido is off Bury Street. Entry is via the gate adjacent to the car park at the end of Reservoir Road HA4 7TY

KEEP RIGHT ON ENTERING THE PUBLIC CAR PARK
£5 UNTIL 6 PM, FREE FOR HILLINGDON FIRST CARD HOLDERS, TICKET STILL REQUIRED. FREE AFTER 6 PM FOR ALL. CLOSES 8.30 PM.

PLEASE AVOID THE PUB CAR PARK TO THE LEFT.

WOLAS
WEST OF LONDON ASTRONOMICAL SOCIETY

www.wolas.org.uk

SEND
Family Support

SANTA'S GROTTO

& CHRISTMAS MARKET 2025

Saturday 13th December

12pm - 5pm

Oak Wood School

Sutton Court Road, Uxbridge, UB10 9HT

To book & read the event guidance either scan the QR Code or go to:

www.sendfs.co.uk/santas-grotto-christmas-market-2025

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)