Whiteheath
Infant and Nursery School
Learning, Fun & Friends

Newsletter

Friday 4th September 2026

Dear Families,

It has been such a lovely start to the new school year. Although the children have only been back for two days (and staff for three), the atmosphere across the school has been wonderfully calm, happy and settled.

The children have returned with big smiles, excited to see the friends they have missed over the summer and eager to get to know their new teachers. It has been a joy watching them greet one another, reconnect and begin forming new friendships too.

Across all year groups, teachers have spent these first days introducing the children to their new routines and taking time to get to know them at a deeper level. These early relationships are so important, and the children have responded beautifully.

Because this week has been so short, teachers will not be writing individual class updates this week. Instead, next week you will receive a full overview of **what the children have been learning** and **what they will be learning next**, so you can continue to be part of their learning journey.

Please ensure you are all signed up to **Dojo**, as regular updates and reminders are shared there throughout the week.

We have an exciting year ahead for 2026–27, with lots of rich learning planned, alongside educational workshops, visitors and trips. It is going to be a wonderful year for our children.

Wishing all our families a restful weekend.

Mrs Hall

Headteacher

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Key Dates

EVENT	DATE
Flu Assembly for all parents in School Hall	Tuesday 8th September 9am
Year 1 Meet the Teacher	Tuesday 15th September 9am
Year 2 Meet the Teacher	Friday 18th September 9am
Recycling Week	Monday 21st – Friday 25th September
SEN coffee morning	Monday 28th September 9am
Year 2 Harvest assembly	Thursday 8th October 9:10am & 2:30pm
Individual Photo Day	Monday 12th October
Open Day for New Prospective Families	Saturday 17th October
Parents Evening	Tuesday 20th and Thursday 22nd October
October Half-Term	Monday 26th – Friday 30th October
Reception Trip to the Allotment (Parent Volunteers School DBS required – please contact School Office for information)	Friday 6th November
Year 1 Local Trip (Parent Volunteers School DBS required – please contact School Office for information)	Thursday 12th November
Christmas Fayre	Friday 4th December
WISA Quiz Night	Friday 13th November
Children in Need Day	Friday 13th November
SEN coffee morning	Monday 23rd November 9am
Year 1 Christmas Show (dress rehearsal)	Tuesday 8th December
Year 1 Christmas Show	Thursday 10th December 9:10am & 2:30pm
Rocksteady Concert	Tuesday 15th December 9:30-10:30am & 2-3pm

Updates/Changes in red.

🗓️ School Times

Nursery:

- Morning: 8:35am – 11:35am
- Afternoon: 12:25pm – 3:20pm
- Full Day: 8:35am – 2:35pm
- Extended Day: 2:35pm – 3:20pm

Reception, Year 1 & Year 2:

- School day: 8:40am – 3:20pm
- *Gates close at 8:50am prompt*

For pick-up times (including nursery), please wait for a staff member to open the main gates. Only buzz the main reception if you are collecting your child for an appointment or have been asked to do so by the school.

🚸 Pick-Ups

If you have arranged for somebody different to collect your child from school, please let the office know before the school day ends so that the appropriate message can be sent to class teacher regarding who to dismiss your child

😷 Sickness & Absence

Report absences by 8:40am please use either below:

✉️ office@whiteheath-inf.hillingdon.sch.uk

📞 01895 630262 and leave a message

(Include your child's name, class, and reason, please **do not** send sickness or absence messages through Class Dojo)

- Feeling unwell? If your child needs paracetamol or ibuprofen, please keep them at home.
- Prescribed meds? You'll need to fill out a consent form at main school reception.
- Important: After sickness like vomiting or diarrhoea, children must stay home for 48 hours after the last episode.
- Keep emergency contact details up to date—just in case!



Bumped Head Protocol

If a child sustains a head bump at school, they will receive first aid, including a cold compress, and we will contact the parent/carer by phone.

If we are unable to reach you, a message will be sent via Class Dojo.

We will continue to monitor your child throughout the day and will contact you again if there are any changes that cause concern

💬 Communication

Class Dojo – Teachers Share Information

ClassDojo is a communication platform where teachers share classroom updates with families through photos, videos, and messages.

Your child's teacher can add you using your email or provide a personal code to link you to their account

Weekly Newsletter

Sent electronically every Friday afternoon—don't miss it! It's your go-to for dates, updates, and all school news.

Email/Class Dojo Communication

We use email and Dojo as a preferred method of communication when we send out correspondence to the whole school.

School Uniform

All children must wear full uniform (including black shoes).
Please name everything—clothes, shoes, wellies, bags, lunchboxes

Lost something? Check the lost property box outside main school reception.

Uniform Supplier: PMG Schoolwear

Visit the PMG Schoolwear website

School Meals & Snacks

Meals are provided by our catering company **HCL**. Families must create an online account to select and pay for meals

Healthy snacks are provided in the morning—no need to pack one.

Nut-Free School - To protect children with allergies, please do not send any food containing nuts



Payments & Bookings (School Money App)

We use a secure online system for payments related to clubs, trips, extended day for nursery and events.

Log-in details are provided when your child joins us.

Water Bottles

Please provide your child with a named water bottle. Water is crucial to being healthy and ready to learn and children have access to their bottles at regular intervals throughout the day. Please do not put anything other than water in your child's bottle. We ask children to take them home every day in order that they can be cleaned.

Staff Car Park

Please do not park in the school staff car park. This area is reserved exclusively for staff, and parking spaces are very limited. Your cooperation helps keep things running smoothly for everyone!



Change of Contact information

Please let the school office know if any of your contact information changes (including email addresses)

Toys

Please leave all toys at home unless a teacher specifically asks for them as part of a project

Main School Office Contact

office@whiteheath-inf.hillingdon.sch.uk

01895 630262

MAYOR OF LONDON

25 August 2026

Sent by email

Dear families,

We are writing to let you know about a change to how the Government's Free School Meals scheme is funded and what this means for your family.

What's not changing: all children attending a London state primary school will continue to receive a free school lunch every day.

Sadiq Khan will continue to fund Universal Free School Meals for London's state primary schools for as long as he is the Mayor of London. This means that if your child attends a London state primary school, they will continue to receive a free school lunch every day.

What is changing: who can get government-funded Free School Meals.

The Government has expanded its Free School Meals scheme so that **all** children in households receiving Universal Credit are now eligible, regardless of household income.

What does this mean for you?

If your household receives Universal Credit, your council may already be checking eligibility and registering children. If so, you don't need to do anything.

If you haven't heard from your school or council, please contact your school before Thursday 1st October 2026 to make sure your child is registered for the national Government's Free School Meals scheme. Your school may ask you to fill out a form, or they may fill this out for you.

Why is this important?
Registering means:

1. Your child can continue receiving free meals for as long as they're eligible, even after they leave primary school.
2. Your school may receive additional funding through Pupil Premium, worth up to £1,550 per child, helping to support pupils who need it most. This funding enables boroughs to invest in targeted support, including for those with special educational needs and disabilities, mentoring, staff training, breakfast clubs and after school clubs. It also helps parents access further support, including council grants to buy school uniforms.

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MAYOR OF LONDON

Will my child receive free school means if I don't register?

Yes, if your child attends a London primary state school, they will continue to receive a free school meal every day. However, if you receive Universal Credit, registering helps ensure that your child and school receive the full support available to them.

Thank you for your support.

Yours sincerely,
Joanne McCartney



Joanne McCartney
Statutory Deputy Mayor / Deputy Mayor for Children and Families

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OPEN MORNING

STAY AND PLAY







Looking for the right school for your child? Join us for a welcoming school tour with refreshments and a magic show, while your child enjoys playtime in our warm and nurturing environment.

Discover why our school is the ideal place for their bright future!







We are tolerant

We have rules

We respect others

We have choices

We are individuals

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SATURDAY 17TH OCTOBER 2026

BOOK YOUR PLACE!

SCAN THE QR CODE OR FOLLOW THE LINK TO BOOK YOUR PLACE:

https://forms.gle/8wjfmSHB3XazmhyG9

EXTRA CURRICULAR CLUBS

Autumn Term 2026

The following clubs are currently available at Whiteheath Infant School. The clubs are provided by external providers who communicate directly with parents.

For more information, please use the contact details below.

STREET DANCE **(Monday 3.20pm-4.20pm)** Year 1 and Year 2- Open to Reception from January 2026 Soul Performing Arts **www.igotsoulofficial.com** Contact: 07791 466859 Email: **info@igotsoulofficial.com**	**GYMNASTICS CLUB** **(Monday 3.20pm-4.20pm)** Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 The PSD Group **www.thepsdgroup.org.uk/psd-clubs** Contac: 0203 397 7409 Email: **info@psdgroup.org.uk**
ROCKSTEADY **(Tuesday- during school hours)** Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 Rocksteady Music School Book online: **www.rocksteadymuscischool.com** Tel: 0330 113 0330 Email: **info@rocksteadymusicschool.com**	**YOGA** **(Tuesday 3.20pm-4.15pm)** Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 Yogic Minds **www.yogicminds.co.uk** Contact: 07720 249925 Email: **inquiry@yogicminds.co.uk**
THE CREATION STATION **(Tuesday 3.20pm-4.20pm)** Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 The Creation Station Email: **lisaandrews@thecreationstation.co.uk** Tel: 07885 492952	**FOOTBALL** **(Wednesday 3.20pm-4.20pm)** Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 The Elms Book online: **www.theelms.co.uk**
TENNIS **(Thursday 3.20pm-4.20pm)** Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 Lets Go Tennis Contact: 020 3291 2984 **Email: lisa@letsgotennis@gmail.com**	**DRAMA** **(FRIDAY 3.20-4.20PM)** Year 1 and Year 2 Little Voices Contact: 07787 535506 Email: **coleen@littlevoices.org.uk**

London Borough of Hillingdon
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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 January
Term Ends	Thursday 25th March @ 12:20pm

Summer Term 2027

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