



Headteacher's Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Carers,

The term is flying by - we have been very busy and the children are working very hard.



The half term holiday commences on Monday 29th May and we return to school on Monday 5th June. Also the **Infant school** is closed for General Election on Thursday 8th June, as the school will be used as a polling station, see you on Friday 9th June. Whitehall Junior school will re-open as usual.

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Fidget Spinner Update

Fidget Spinners are not allowed in school but children may bring them in for Golden Time on a Friday.



Shining Stars



A very well done to our shining stars:

- Reception: Saman, Katlin, Caitlin, Brandon, Zain, Jack, Emily, Chloe, Hayia, Julie, Ayaan, Samhitha, Eleanor P, Javier
- Year One: Millie-Mae, Bianca, Iman, Isabella, Natalie, Hanah, Derren, Mariam, Amelia, Yusif, Ilyas
- Year Two: Iren, Kenny, Hensie, Yuniel, Amitis, Tala, Hatice, Adam A, Jaskaran, Ayden, Adnan, Aliyah, Brandon

Ramadan Mubarak!

Wishing a 'Happy Ramadan' to our families observing the month of fasting which is due to commence on **Saturday 27th May**.

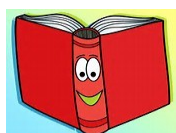


Please do not bring any nuts onto the school premises as some of our children have allergies.

Thank you for keeping our children safe!

Birthday Celebrations

A reminder that we are a healthy school and, unfortunately we cannot give out cakes, sweets etc. for birthdays. If your child wishes to celebrate their birthday with their class, may we offer some suggestions such as, stickers, pencils, erasers, raisins or some parents have bought a book to go in the book corner.



School Trips:

- **Year One** are visiting the Look Out Discovery Centre on **Monday 19th June**.
- **Reception** are going to Hounslow Urban Farm on **Wednesday 21st June**.
- **Year Two** are looking forward to Kidzania on **Wednesday 5th July**.

Please give trip money in to your child's class teacher by Friday 19th May.



Start and End of Day

When dropping and collecting children from school, please ensure children remain with you at all times.



Can you spot Chicken Pox?

We have had a few cases of Chicken Pox in school over the past few weeks.

Mrs Castle-Mason would ask that parents keep a look out for the following signs:

- **spots** - red raised spots develop on the face or chest before spreading to other parts of the body.
- **blisters** - over the next few hours, very itchy fluid-filled blisters develop on top of the spots.
- **scabs and crusts** - after a further few days, the blisters dry out and scab over to form a crust; the crusts then gradually fall off by themselves over the next week or two.

If your child has Chicken Pox, you should prevent it from spreading by keeping your child from school until the last blisters have scabbed over.

For more information visit <http://www.nhs.uk/conditions/Chickenpox/Pages/Introduction.aspx>



Walking to school is much healthier and less traffic means less pollution. Please walk to school with your child and make the journey a safer and healthier one.

Please try and leave your car at home or park a little way away and enjoy the walk in.

Parent Consultations

Reception Parent Consultations start from week commencing Monday 22nd May

Year One Parent Consultations start from week commencing Monday 5th June



Thank you to the **Year Two** parents who have attended meetings this week. We hope you found the meetings useful.

Staff News



A warm welcome to Mrs Summersell who joined us as teacher of Birch Class this term, and our new Receptionist, Mrs Malik.

A Message from Mrs Malik - Thank you to all the parents, carers and families I have met in my first few weeks.

I am enjoying my role and look forward to meeting everyone else!

A-life workshops

For **Healthy Living Week**, the children learnt about keeping healthy with the A Life coach. The children enjoyed the interactive and interesting facts!



Visit your local Library

Please encourage children to read and explore books and enjoy reading with them.

Pop down to your local library and enjoy the range of books!



Also, the annual Summer Reading Challenge will return to Hillingdon Libraries on Saturday 8th July. For more information please visit

www.hillingdon.gov.uk/summerreading

Admin Charges

Please note there is a £5 administration charge for requests related to **Home Office** applications and you will need to complete a 'Request Form' which is available from the main School Office.

The Parents' Association will be running a

Fruit and Flower Cake Sale

On Wednesday 24th May

at 3:25pm

in the school playground

Please come along and buy some treats!



Important dates for Summer Term:

Week commencing 22nd May	Reception Parent Consultations - All week
Monday 29th May - Friday 2nd June	Half term holiday
Week commencing 5th June	Year 1 Parent Consultations - All week
Thursday 8th June	Infant School Closed for General Election
Friday 9th June	Year 2 Fire Safety Workshops
Week commencing 12th June	PHONICS SCREENING CHECK ALL WEEK
Monday 19th June	Year 1 trip to Lookout Discovery
Wednesday 21st June	Reception trip to Urban Farm
Friday 23rd June	Summer Fair
Wednesday 28th June	Ministars (Nursery in hall all day)
Monday 3rd July	Staff development day (holiday for children)
Tuesday 4th July	New to reception parents meeting (am) New to Year 1 parents meeting (pm)
Wednesday 5th July	Year 2 trip to Kidzania Nursery parents meetings
Thursday 6th July	Reports to be given out
Friday 7th July * Please note change of date	Superstars Sports day
Monday 10th July	New to year 2 parents meeting (am) New to Reception parents meeting (PM)
Tuesday 11th July to Friday 14th July	Year 2 celebrations
Wednesday 19th July	Class parties
Thursday 20th July	Last day for Nursery
Friday 21st July	Term ends 2:00pm