

Headteacher's Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

Please remember that we return to school on Tuesday 5th September.

I would like to wish all of our families a happy holiday - have fun and play safe.



July 2017 Term ends at 2pm on Friday 21st July. The last day for Nursery children is Thursday 20th July.

Mrs M. Bringan (Head Teacher)

Shining Stars

A very well done to our shining stars:

- Reception: Safa, Lacey, Datis, Nasteha, Joman, Yusuf, Nicole, Joshua, Choyi, Mokhtar, Ayaan, Anwar, Alex J, Precious, Jason, Victoria, Ehsan, Richard, David, Brandon, Eliz, Sarina, Samunya, Caitlin, Jayden, Mariam, Rosie, Azeem, Alisha, Zain, Poppy, Sahil, Romans, Jack, Hanna
- Year One: Alesha, Sumaiyya, Keira, Kian, Christie, Hadiya, Oliver, Layla, Annika, Michael, Ghadah, Samuel, Serena, Diya, Mishthy, Ekkum, Anna Laura, Trishana, Muhammad D, Nourm Sienna, Louay
 - Year Two: Diya, Eliad, Noor, Ishaan, Mariyah, Yacine, Adam G, Taseen, Zahra G, Kyron, Mario, Raphael, Phoebe, Hassan, Aymon, Nayan, Rye

Class parties Wednesday 19th July.

Children can come to school in party clothes. Remember that they will still need to be able to go out and play in the playground so please no fancy dress, no open toe shoes and no high heeled shoes. If you are bringing in food, please do not bring in anything that contains nuts or gelatin.



The Parents' Association Summer Fair was a great success with a profit of £1,082.49. They have been outstanding this year at organising events and raising funds for the school. I would like to say a special thank you

to the Parents' Association for subsidising the trips this year in order to keep the costs down for all of our families.

I would like to congratulate the children for being very well behaved on their class trips. Even the coach drivers commented on how well behaved they all were.

<u>Staff News</u>

We have a number of new members of staff joining us in September, I am sure you will all join me in welcoming Miss Cheshire, Mrs Jangra and Mrs Attia.

I am very pleased to announce the safe arrival of Mrs Armaghan's baby. She has welcomed a healthy baby boy. Mother and baby are both doing well. We wish Mrs Armaghan all the best with the new arrival.





<u>Year 2 Trip to Kidzania</u>

On Wednesday 5th July, the Year Two children took a trip to Kidzania. The children had a lot of fun playing in all of the different zones.









Nursery's visit from a Fire Engine

On Monday 10th and 17th July, the Nursery children enjoyed receiving a visit from a Fire Engine. For children's games and activities in relation to the fire service, please visit http://www.london-fire.gov.uk/GamesAndActivities.asp





<u>Year 2 Leavers</u>

Our Year 2 graduations were a great success. It was lovely that the children were able to celebrate with their families. It never ceases to amaze me that the children arrive in Reception and depart in Year 2 so quickly and how much they grow and progress in three short years.













Sports Day

The nursery had their mini superstars sports day in the hall. KS1 and Reception were able to have their superstars sports day on the playing fields with the weather staying hot but with a lovely breeze. Thank you to those parents that came along and I hope you enjoyed watching all of the activities . I would also like to thank Mrs McLucas for organising another successful sports day.



Transition

I would like to thank all of the parents / carers who attended our recent transition meetings. I hope you found them useful. Copies of the presentations made at the meetings can be found on our website in the parents section on the noticeboard. We have been working closely with the Juniors and across our own year groups to prepare the children for their next steps. It is an exciting time although some children who may be more sensitive to change are

given some extra support to help them through this period. We use positive words to encourage everyone to embrace the future and look forward to a new start in a new academic year.

School Reports

I trust you have all received your child's school report and had the opportunity to speak with your child's class teacher. I always enjoy reading all of the reports every year and appreciate how hard the teachers have worked to summarise the progress and effort of each individual.

New Caterer in September

From September, we will be using Harrison Catering Services as our lunch provider. Their menu is now available to view on our website. Children will now be able to choose their meals at lunchtime instead of in the morning.

Attendance Assembly

A big well done to all of those children who received awards in our attendance assembly.

Awards were given out to those children who had achieved 100% attendance.



THANK YOU

I am fortunate to enjoy the support of many members of our community including the volunteer helpers that give up their time to assist in class or on trips, our Governors who attend meetings and help with the ongoing improvement and development of our school, guests who come to host in assembly, our caterers and dinner ladies, our parents' association who put on events and fundraise for treats for the children. All of these people help to enrich the lives of our pupils and are a valuable asset to us. I would also like to thank Mr Heath and the Premises team who keep our school safe and tidy.



<u>Safety</u>

You are reminded that you are responsible for the supervision of your children when coming to and leaving school. The roads and paths are very busy at the start and end of the school day and it is easy to become separated. Please ensure that you hold your child's hand when near to the road and that, if you are driving outside the school, please limit your speed to a maximum of 20mph. This is to keep our children as safe as possible.

UNIFORM

In readiness for the next academic year, please find below a summary of the school uniform (details of which are also on our website www.whitehall-inf.hillingdon.sch.uk)

- Plain red sweatshirt, jumper or cardigan.
- White shirt / blouse, red or white plain polo shirt.
- Grey or black trousers, skirt, pinafore dress, leggings or ski-pants.
- Red and white gingham or striped dress, grew or black shorts (summer term only)
- Red, white or grey socks / tights.
- Religious headcovering red / black / grey or white plain colours only please.
- Footwear Sensible black, red or white shoes. Plain black trainers are acceptable.
- PE kit plain black shorts, plain white t-shirt and long plain black jogging bottoms (required for sessions taking place outside). Plimsolls/trainers.

School uniform can be bought from PMG Schoolwear. Polo shirts, plain skirts and trousers can be purchased from supermarkets or high street stores.

I am grateful to parents for the effort they put into ensuring their children have the correct uniform and represent the school positively. Please remember to name <u>all</u> of your child's clothes and belongings.



Lost Property

Our trunk of lost property will be emptied at the end of term. If your child has misplaced anything, please do check 'Lost Property'. This will be your last chance to reclaim it.



During the hot weather, please remember never to leave your children in the car, even if it is for a short period of time. The temperature inside a car is far hotter than it is outside and it will not take long for a child to fall ill if left inside a hot vehicle.

HOT CARS

Summer Holiday Activities

Hope you all have a happy summer holiday and enjoy the break. Play safe and have fun.

If you are stuck for ideas, you will find some suggestions below:

- Uxbridge library—this summer's Big Summer Reading Challenge is Animal Agents. Please visit <u>https://www.hillingdon.gov.uk/summerreading</u> for more information. . There will also be
- family orienteering events held in conjuction with the Big Summer Reading challenge which will take place in local parks—solve mysteries and locate hidden Starborg cards and take part in outdoor games and crafts. This is a free event.
- Hillingdon Sports and Leisure Complex have a varied programme, you can visit <u>http://www5.fusion-lifestyle.com/centres/Hillingdon_Sport_and_Leisure_Complex</u>) or call them on 0345 130 7324
- Hillingdon Council's Fiesta Programme offers a variety of different activities for a wide age range. Activities must be booked in advance by visiting http://www.hillingdon.gov.uk/32237
- SCL have their Summer Camp running at Brunel University (<u>http://wearescl.co.uk/holiday-club-uxbridge</u> or call 0345 644 5747)
- **Playday** is an annual event that promotes the importance of Children's play. This is a free event and will be held at Hillingdon Athletics Stadium on Wednesday 2nd August from 10sm until 2pm. There will be inflatables, bmx bikes, sand play, sports, arts, crafts and more.
- Family Fishing Fun Days will be held at Little Britain Lake on Sunday 30th July and Sunday 13th August from 9:30am until 3:30pm. This is a free event but is on a first come first served basis.

There are plenty of green spaces in Hillingdon including Fassnidge Park and Cowley Recreation Ground and not too far away there are Denham, Langley & Black Park Country Parks (www.buckscc.gov.uk/leisure-andculture/country-parks/) and Ruislip Lido.



School Terms and Holidays 2017/2018

AUTUMN TERM - 2017

Staff Development day (Holiday for children) Term starts for the children at 8.50am Half Term Holiday Term Ends Monday 4th September 2017 Tuesday 5th September 2017 Mon 23rd - Fri 27th October 2017 Thursday 21st December 2017

SPRING TERM - 2018

Staff Development day (Holiday for children)Tuesday 2nd January 2018Staff Development day (Holiday for children)Wednesday 3rd January 2018Term starts for the children at 8.50amThursday 4th January 2018Staff Development day (Holiday for children)Friday 9th February 2018Half Term holidayMon 12th - Fri 16th February 2018Term endsThursday 29th March 2018

SUMMER TERM - 2018

Term starts for the children at 8.50am	Monday 16 th April 2018
May Day (Public Holiday - school closed)	Monday 7 th May 2018
Half Term holiday	Mon 28 th May - Fri 1 st June 2018
Staff Development day (Holiday for children	Monday 2 nd July 2018
Term Ends	Friday 20 th July 2018

AUTUMN TERM 2018

To be advised