



# Headteacher's Newsletter

**May 2019** ISSUE 2

Dear Parents and Carers,

This will be the last newsletter before we break up for May half term.

There are lots of events coming up over the rest of the Summer Term. Please keep an eye out for more details.

I hope everyone has a restful and enjoyable break.

## Eid Celebrations

Ramadan ends with the celebration of Eid.

Please note that the school can only authorise one day for events such as Eid or other Religious Celebrations. All requests for absence from school must be made in writing to Mrs Bringan.

We are having Eid celebrations in school on

**Wednesday 5th June.** Children can come to school in traditional or party clothes.



## Reminders

**Thursday 23rd May: INFANT SCHOOL CLOSED**  
(the Junior school is open on this day)

**Friday 24th May: SCHOOL CLOSED**

**Monday 27th May-Friday 31st May: HALF TERM**

**Monday 3rd June: Back to School**

## 'Pyjamarama' dress up day



On **Friday 7th June**, all children can come to school dressed in their pyjamas to celebrate BookTrust's 'Pyjamarama' day. Sensible shoes only please - no slippers! Please bring in a donation on the day of £1 per child. All donations will be made to BookTrust to promote a lifelong love of reading.

## School Trips

Each year group have now had their first class trip. The next trips or experiences will take place after half term on the following dates:

Nursery	Wednesday 19th June	Visit from the Tropical Zoo
Reception	Wednesday 26th June	The Beck Theatre
Year 1	Thursday 20th June	Syon Park
Year 2	Tuesday 11th June - Thursday 13th June	Ruislip Woods



## Readathon

Children in Year 1 and 2 will be taking part in a sponsored Readathon from 3rd - 7th June 2019. Letters will be sent home regarding this along with Sponsorship cards for your child to complete. Money raised will help to buy new books and storyteller visits for children's hospitals.



## Sports Day

Weather permitting, superstars sports day (Reception, Year 1 and Year 2) will be held on the field on **Friday 28th June**.

Ministars sports day (Nursery) will be held on **Wednesday 26th June**.



More details will be sent soon.

## Class Arrangements for next school year

We will shortly be arranging which class the children will be in in the new school year. If you have any information about friendship groups that you would like me to take in to consideration, please let me know in writing by **Monday 10th June**. Please address the letter to me (Mrs Bringan) and hand it to the main school office. I cannot make any promises to grant requests but I can assure you that all cases will be given due consideration.

### Attendance Reminders

- Please ensure you update us if you have changed your contact details. It is very important that we have at least 3 contacts for your child and up to date numbers for those contacts.
- We are still having quite a lot of children arriving at school late. We understand that mornings can be stressful but it is very important that children do not miss any school time.
- There are only 7 and a half weeks of school when we return from half term. It is a very important time for the children as they will be getting ready for their new classes. Please ensure you do not take any holidays during this important time. Where possible, please also arrange appointments outside of the school day.

### Welfare Appeal

We are in desperate need of boys socks and plimsolls (size 8–13). If you are happy to donate socks or plimsolls, please bring them in to the main school office.

Please also remember to return any clothes borrowed from the Welfare room.



### Nursery applications

There is still time to apply for a place in our Nursery. If you or anyone you know would like to apply, please collect an application form from the main school office.

### Starting Reception in September 2019

If you have applied for a Reception place for your child, please remember to return the completed pupil information form, pupil premium form and the reply slip as soon as possible. If you did not receive these forms, please contact the main school office. The welcome meeting will take place on Tuesday 2nd July at 9:15am or 2:45pm.

### Parents' Association



Their next event is the Summer Fair on Friday 28th June 3:30pm - 5pm.

The Parents' Association are in need of new members. If you are interested in joining, please email:

[Pawwhitehallinfants@gmail.com](mailto:Pawwhitehallinfants@gmail.com)

### Tesco Grant

We have been successful in our application to the 'Tesco Bags of Help' scheme. If we win we could receive up to £4000 to redevelop our 'Dove Room' into a sensory, calming space for any child to use if they need to. Every time you shop in a local Tesco store, please ask the cashier for tokens to vote in the 'Bags of help' scheme. Please then put your tokens in the box to vote for 'Whitehall Infant School—Dove Room Development'. Thank you!



### Visit from Indian Headteachers

We recently had a visit from 11 Headteachers from schools in India. They came to visit UK schools to expand and enrich their expertise and to understand the education system in the UK. They were able to take best practices from their visit to UK schools to use in their schools in India.



### Assembly from Manisha UK charity

The children received an assembly this week hosted by the charity Manisha UK. They support schools in Nepal to ensure as many children as possible can have access to free education. We are twinned with Shree Nava Durga Primary school in Nepal to share our experiences with them.





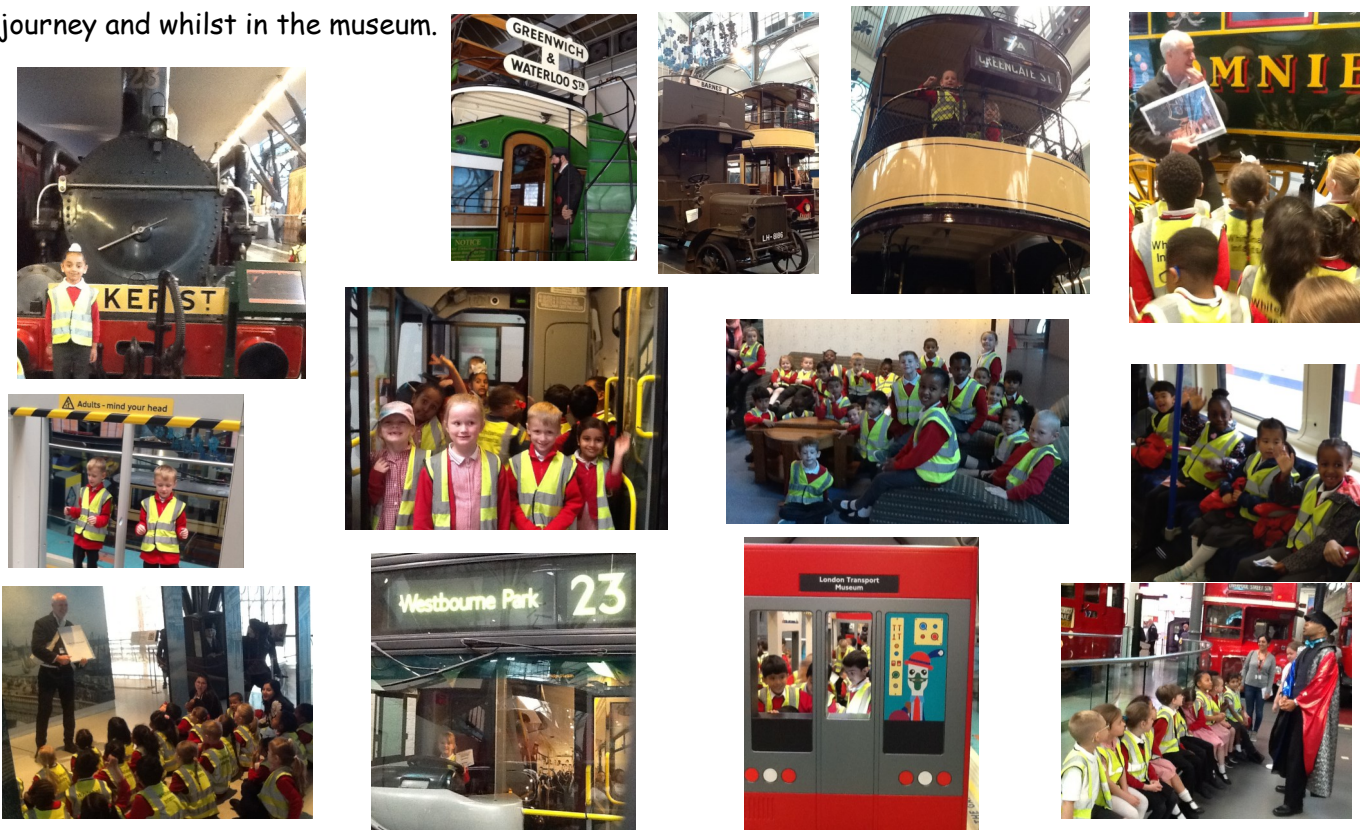
## Reception Trip to Odds Farm

The Reception children enjoyed a lovely trip to Odds Farm last week. They enjoyed learning about the animals and have been using what they learnt in class this week. The teachers and volunteers all remarked on how well behaved the children were and how much fun they had.



## Year 1 trip to the London Transport Museum

The children in Year 1 took an exciting trip on the tube last week to the London Transport Museum. They took part in a fun workshop all about the history of transport. The children had such a lovely time with one child saying it was 'the best day ever!'. They were all so well behaved and sensible both on the journey and whilst in the museum.



## Lunch Menu

Week of 3rd June (Week 3 of menu):

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Spaghetti Bolognese (Beef)	Chicken & Vegetable Pasty with new potatoes	Roast Turkey with Roast Potatoes	Shepherd's Pie (lamb)	Cheese & Tomato Pizza with Chips
Quorn Spaghetti Bolognese	Macaroni cheese	Quorn Roast with Roast Potatoes	Jacket potato with Baked beans	Salmon & Broccoli Fish Cake with Chips
Jacket Potato with Tuna Mayonnaise	Halal Chicken & Vegetable Pasty with new potatoes	Vegetable Pasta bake	Halal Shepherd's Pie (lamb)	Fruit Friday: Selection of fresh fruit with greek Yoghurt
Peach crumble with custard	Chocolate & Beetroot cake	Pineapple & Coconut sponge with custard	Oat Bar with Fresh Fruit	

## Diary Dates

These dates are subject to change. Separate information will be sent out for each event.

Monday	3 <sup>rd</sup>	June	Back to school	
w/c	3 <sup>rd</sup>	June	Readathon all week	
Wednesday	5 <sup>th</sup>	June	Eid Celebrations	Dress up day
Friday	7 <sup>th</sup>	June	Pyjamarama - Booktrust event	Come to school in pyjamas for £1 donation
Tuesday	11 <sup>th</sup>	June	Y2 trip to Ruislip woods	
Wednesday	12 <sup>th</sup>	June	Y2 trip to Ruislip woods	
Thursday	13 <sup>th</sup>	June	Y2 trip to Ruislip woods	
Wednesday	19 <sup>th</sup>	June	Nursery visit from Tropical Zoo	
Thursday	20 <sup>th</sup>	June	Y1 trip to Syon Park	
Wednesday	26 <sup>th</sup>	June	Ministars Sports Day	Nursery
Wednesday	26 <sup>th</sup>	June	Reception visit to Beck Theatre	
Friday	28 <sup>th</sup>	June	Superstars Sports Day	Reception, Year 1 and Year 2
Friday	28 <sup>th</sup>	June	PA Summer Fair	3:30pm - 5pm
Monday	1 <sup>st</sup>	July	STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY	SCHOOL CLOSED
Tuesday	2 <sup>nd</sup>	July	Reception welcome meeting / stay & play	9:15am
Monday	22 <sup>nd</sup>	July	Nursery last day & celebration	11am & 3pm
Tuesday	23 <sup>rd</sup>	July	TERM ENDS	12:30pm

## Ideas for half term

**W**aterstones in Uxbridge are running free story times and activities for children during half term. Please visit <https://www.waterstones.com/events/search/shop/uxbridge> for more details.

We are so fortunate to have some wonderful parks and open spaces in Hillingdon and the surrounding areas. As the weather is improving, why not take your child to one of the many local parks for a fun, free day out! Visit one of the following links to find your nearest park:

<https://www.hillingdon.gov.uk/greenspaces>

<https://countryparks.buckscc.gov.uk/>

