



# Headteacher's Newsletter

**June 2019** ISSUE 2

Dear Parents and Carers,

The weeks are flying by and there are lots of exciting activities happening in school.

Please ensure you make a note of any important dates.

## Ministars Sports Day

Nursery sports day will be held in the school hall on **Wednesday 26th June** at:

**10:30-11:15am for Morning session**

**2:15-3pm for Afternoon session**

Please come along to cheer your child along. Please ensure they come to school in their PE kit on this day.

## Superstars Sports Day

Sports day for **Reception, Year 1 and Year 2** will be held on the school field on **Friday 28th June** as follows:

Year 1 & 2: 9:15am - 10:45am

Reception: 2pm - 3pm

You are welcome to come along and support your child; please **enter through the Whitehall Road entrance**.

Please ensure your child:

- arrives at school wearing their PE kit, the correct colour t-shirt and plimsoles or trainers
- brings a water bottle and sun hat

## Term Dates

Monday 1st July: **SCHOOL CLOSED** for staff training

Monday 22nd July: Last day for Nursery children

Tuesday 23rd July: Last day. Term ends at 12:30pm

Wednesday 4th September 2019: Back to school

## Transition

As your child moves up to the next year group in September, we invite you to transition information meetings.

Moving to Reception	Tuesday 2nd July at 9:15am or 2:15pm
Moving to Year 1	Tuesday 9th July at 9am or 5pm
Moving to Year 2	Monday 8th July at 9am or Tuesday 9th July at 5:30pm
Moving to Year 3	Wednesday 3rd July at 9am or 2:30pm at Whitehall Junior School

Information will be available on our website once the meetings have taken place.

Parents of children who are moving to Year 1 and Year 2 will be able to meet their child's new class teacher in their new classroom on **Tuesday 2nd July at 3:35pm**.

## Year 2 Victorian Day

On **Thursday 27th June**, Year 2 are having a Victorian Day to help them further their understanding of the Victorian Era. Children can come to school dressed in Victorian clothing. Posters with ideas of what to wear are displayed outside your child's classroom.



## Year 2 Graduation



Our Year 2's are approaching the end of their time here with us and will soon be moving to Junior Schools. Families of Year 2 children are invited to attend their graduation celebrations. These will take place in our school hall at **2:30pm** as follows:

Tuesday 16th July	Peacock Class	Thursday 18th July	Toucan Class
Wednesday 17th July	Flamingo Class	Friday 19th July	Kingfisher Class

## Family Reading and Breakfast morning

Come along to read a book with your child and have some bagel on **Friday 5th July at 8:40am** in your **child's classroom**.

### Nursery Celebrations

Parents and carers of nursery children are invited to join them for their end of year celebration. These will take place on **Thursday 19th July** at:

**11am for morning session**  
**3pm for afternoon session.**

### Parents' Association Summer Fair

**Friday 28th June 3:30pm—5pm**

We have sent communications asking for donations of second hand toys and refreshments for the upcoming fair. Please don't forget to buy your raffle tickets! Payment should be posted in the PA postbox (next to the main school office doors) with the completed counterfoils.



### School Trips

The final school trip to take place is Reception's Trip to the Beck Theatre on Wednesday 26th June.



### Class Parties

Children can come to school in party clothes on **Monday 22nd July**. Sensible clothing and shoes only please. Sign up lists for food will be displayed soon.



### Attendance

We have received a large number of leave requests over the past week. Please remember not to book any holidays during term time. For a reminder of the term dates, please visit:

<http://www.whitehall-inf.hillingdon.sch.uk/key-information/term-dates>

### Punctuality

There has been an increase in the number of late children over the past few weeks. We understand that the mornings can be stressful but it is important that your child does not miss out on precious any learning time. Now that the weather is forecast to be nicer, why not walk to school?

### Starting Junior School

If your child is starting Junior school in September that is not Whitehall Junior school, please visit the main school office as soon as possible. We need you to complete a leavers form to ensure your child's file is sent to their new school.

### 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.

### Communication

Please ensure that you regularly check your emails and empty your child's bookbag for any letters or Information. We do not want you to miss any important information.

### 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!**



### Sponsored Readathon

Thank you for all of the donations for Year 1 and 2's sponsored readathon. We raised over £460 for the ReadforGood charity!





### Year 2 Trip to Ruislip Woods

Despite the bad weather, the Year 2 children were still able to enjoy their class trip to Ruislip Woods. They had a wonderful workshop run by a Park Ranger all about minibeasts and micro habitats.



### Visit from a Professional Footballer

We were so fortunate to receive a visit from Nicke Kabamba who is related to one of our families and is a footballer for Hartlepool FC. He held an assembly about the importance of healthy living and working hard. He then visited each class where he answered questions and showed off some of his skills!



### Nursery visit from the Tropical Zoo

The Nursery children thoroughly enjoyed their visit from the Tropical Zoo. They learnt so much about tropical animals and were very sensible when handling and touching the animals.



### Year 1 Trip to Syon Park

The sun came out for Year 1's trip to Syon park! They had such a wonderful day and had great fun trying to spot the various wildlife and plants that can be found at Syon Park.



### RNLI Water Safety Workshops

We had a visit from the Royal National Lifeboat Institute last week who provided fun, informative workshops for the Year 1 and Year 2 children regarding water safety. Test your child at home on what they learnt!





## Courtesy and Car Parking



I am sure that those of you who have to drive to school are aware how difficult it is to park. Now that the weather is warming up, one option is to park a little distance from school and walk the rest of the journey - this is a good form of exercise and relieves the stress of trying to find a space outside school.

Another suggestion is to use the bus—children are entitled to free travel. If you have no other option but to drive to school then please park safely and with consideration to other motorists and pedestrians.

You are reminded that **Cotswold Close is a private road and parking is not allowed** anywhere in the Close.

## Vacancy

**JOB OPENING**

We currently have a vacancy for a Cleaner. This vacancy is for 5 days a week from 3:30 until 5:30pm all year round. Details and the application form have been emailed to parents. If you need any more information please call 01895 590112 and ask for the School Business Manager.

Applications must be in by midday on Wednesday 3rd July.

## Lunch Menu

Week of 1st July (Week 1 of menu):

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<b><u>SCHOOL CLOSED FOR STAFF TRAINING</u></b>	Cottage pie Quorn Sausages with Mashed potatoes Halal Cottage pie Frozen strawberry yoghurt & fruit puree	Roast Turkey with Roast Potatoes Quorn Roast with Roast Potatoes Pasta Neapolitan Lemon & Yoghurt cake with custard	Chicken Sausages with Mashed potatoes Roasted vegetable pasta bake Halal Chicken Sausages with Mashed potatoes Oat & Raisin cookie with fruit wedges	Fish Fingers with Chips Jacket potato with cheese Fruity Friday: Selection of fresh fruit with greek yoghurt

**Joint Services Open Day**  
**Bedfont Lakes**  
 Bedfont Road, Feltham, TW14 8BF  
**Saturday 20 July 2019**

**12noon-5pm**

**Come down and meet your local heroes!**

METROPOLITAN POLICE  
 LFB  
 London Borough of Hounslow  
 Lampington  
 BRITISH TRANSPORT POLICE  
 Hounslow Highways  
 TESCO  
 NHS Hounslow Clinical Commissioning Group  
 NHS London Ambulance Service NHS Trust

## Courses at Uxbridge Children's Centre

The following courses are for Hillingdon residents (no crèche available).

- Introduction to Childcare
- Introduction to Preparing to Work in Schools
- Introduction to Community Interpreting
- Introduction to Gardening & Horticulture

If you are interested in any of these courses, please visit the Uxbridge Children's Centre on Whitehall Road.

## Hillingdon free events

### Family Fishing Fun Days

Sundays 28th July and 11th August, 9:30am until 3:30pm at Little Britain Lake, Cowley, UB8 2JR

### Family Fun Day

Saturday 6th July, 11am until 4pm at Barra Hall Park, Hayes, UB3 2NH. For more information visit [www.hillingdon.gov.uk/hayes-fun-day](http://www.hillingdon.gov.uk/hayes-fun-day)