



Headteacher's Newsletter

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*Whitehall Infant School is a five star school with a FRESH approach.
We provide five star learning for all, with Family at the heart of everything we do. We teach our children to have
Respect at all times. We want our children to achieve Excellence, whilst being Safe and Happy.*



Dear Parents and Carers,

This is my last newsletter for this school year and what an extraordinary year it has been!

Thank you to all the children, parents, staff and governors for their commitment and support over the year.

Good bye to all our families who are moving on, we wish you all the best.

It has been a delight to be part of your child's learning this year.

Manjit Bringan



End of Term

Friday 23rd July: Last day of term

Please see the below timetable for a reminder of the finish times for the last day of term:

Reception - Larch & Spruce	12:00pm
Reception - Birch & Cedar	12:10pm
Year 1	12:20pm
Year 2	12:25pm

Thursday 2nd September: Return to school

Returning to school in September

In September, we are continuing with staggered start and finish times. We have found that these have worked really well and mean that drop off and collection are much calmer for everyone. Please see the below table for the start and finish times from September:

Year Group	Start Time	Finish Time
Reception - Spruce & Larch	8:30am	2:50pm
Reception- Cedar & Birch	8:40am	3pm
Year 1	8:40am	3pm
Year 2	8:45am	3:05pm

We will also combine to work with the Junior school to embrace our one way system to assist parents when dropping off and collecting their child. **Please see the maps emailed to you with this newsletter for details of the one way system from September.**

Breakfast Club

Our breakfast club will continue to run in September from week commencing 13th September. If you would like your child to attend breakfast club, please complete the below form by 1st September: <https://forms.gle/CtptZGKR7tinDT4q8>

Starting Nursery or Reception in September

If your child starts Nursery or Reception with us in September, you should have been provided with a welcome pack containing important information. If you have not received a welcome pack for your child, please email office@mail.whitehallinf.org

What to do if your child tests positive for Covid before Tuesday 27th July

Email office@mail.whitehallinf.org with 'COVID 19' as the title and include the following information:

Full name of child	Your phone number	Date test taken	Date child last in school
Year group and class	Date symptoms started	Date of positive test result	

Please note that we will only read and action 'COVID 19' emails during the school holidays.

How will the school let you know that your child is a close contact of a positive Covid-19 case?

You will receive a text message informing you that your child is a close contact. You will be emailed a letter with further details which will include how long your child needs to isolate for.

Leaving Whitehall Infant School

Please remember to let us know if your child will not be returning to Whitehall Infant School (or Whitehall Junior school for the current Year 2 children) in September.

If you move out of the area over the summer holidays, please email us on office@mail.whitehallinf.org with details of the school your child will be attending.

Welfare reminder

- If your child uses an inhaler or epipen, please ensure you bring 2 inhalers and spaces or 2 epipens into school in September.
- If your child has a care plan in place, please ensure you email this to office@mail.whitehallinf.org
- If your child has any allergies, please inform us.

End of Year Parent Questionnaire

As a school we value and welcome feedback from parents and carers in order to shape our school improvement priorities for the next school year. We would appreciate it if you could spare a few minutes to answer the following survey by Wednesday 1st September: <https://forms.gle/qgv7k8XB6txe2qq59>

We are really grateful for all the feedback we receive and are able to refine our processes using the feedback we receive each year.

Year 2 Graduation

The Year 2 graduations are now available to watch on Google Classroom.



Travelling Abroad



Please do not take leave during term time. If you do need to travel abroad, you must email us with full details (including flight tickets) and request the leave. It is very important that you keep us updated with where your child is during school term time, especially if you and your family are travelling outside of the UK. We have a duty of care to every child during this time and need to ensure we follow the correct safeguarding procedures. If your child is abroad or you are planning to take your child abroad soon, please ensure they are back in the UK in time for school to return in September (please remember to allow extra time to quarantine if needed).

Staff for the next school year

Nursery Team - Mrs Bir, Mrs Fawsett, Mrs Armaghan

Reception Cedar - Mrs McLucas

Spruce - Mrs Caba

Larch - Miss Downie

Birch - Mrs Patel

Year 1 Pine - Ms McWhinney-Tripp / Mr Ball

Maple - Miss Ukey

Beech - Miss Payne

Elm - Mrs Jamil

Year 2 Toucan - Miss Walsh

Kingfisher - Miss Wright

Peacock - Mrs Pert

Flamingo - Mrs Aqbarawi



Summer Reading Assembly

The children had a virtual assembly from the Library to tell them about this year's Summer Reading challenge 'Wild World Heroes'. Please visit <https://www.hillingdon.gov.uk/summer-reading> for more information and for various free activities taking place at local libraries over the summer holidays.

Children who take part in this year's challenge should bring their certificate in to school in September. We will celebrate their success in a special assembly.



I am fortunate to enjoy the support of many members of our community including our Governors who attend meetings and help with the ongoing improvement and development of our school, guests who come to host an assembly, our caterers and kitchen staff and our Parents' Association who put on events and fundraise to enhance the school experience 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 continue to keep our school safe and tidy.

Elisa Fundraising

Last weekend, Elisa in Pine class Just completed the Lidl Mudder Challenge course as part of a team with big brother Michael and friend Annika, raising £250 so far for Great Ormond Street Hospital. She got very muddy for a great cause! She put in lots of enthusiasm and effort... even doing 20 push ups in the sloppy mud! Well done Elisa!



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)

Essential Items

- ☐ Plain or Whitehall logo 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, white or grey socks / tights.
- ☐ Footwear - Sensible black shoes with **no laces**. Plain black trainers are acceptable - no logos. Plain black boots are allowed in the winter.
- ☐ PE kit - plain black shorts, plain white t-shirt and long plain black jogging bottoms (required for sessions taking place outside). Plimsoles or trainers with no laces. - PE kit can be worn to school on your child's PE day.
- ☐ Summer Term Only - Red and white gingham or striped dress, grey or black shorts
- ☐ Bookbag. Please do not buy any rucksacks - your child only needs to bring a bookbag to school.

* Religious headcovering - red / black / grey or white. Plain colours only please. Please ensure that any headscarf is shoulder length, not elbow length.

* Hair accessories - Bows should be no larger than 10cm from end to end

* Children only require a bookbag and a drawstring PE bag, not a rucksack.

* Please dress your child appropriately for the weather and ensure they bring in a raincoat in the summer and a warm coat with a hood in the winter.

School uniform can be bought from PMG Schoolwear, Waterloo Road, Uxbridge, UB8 2RA or 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 all of your child's clothes and belongings.



Nursery Graduations

This week, Nursery children took part in a little graduation celebration in class and were all awarded a certificate!



Class Parties

Children had a lovely time at their class parties. It was a lovely celebration to mark the end of term. Thank you to the Parent's Association for providing food for the parties.



Lunch menu for first half of Autumn Term

Remember that **all** children have access to a free lunch at school.

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Week One Week commencing: 30th August 20th September 18th October	Chicken Madras with Rice Halal Chicken Madras with Rice Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans (v)	Beef Burger with Baked Wedges Halal Beef Burger with Baked Wedges Macaroni Cheese (v)	Roast Turkey with Roast Potatoes & Gravy Halal Roast Turkey with Roast Potatoes & Gravy Tomato & Basil Pasta (v)	Chicken Pie with New Potatoes Halal Chicken Pie with New Potatoes) Jacket Potato with Cheese & Baked Beans (v)	Breaded Fish with Chips Cheesy Tortilla Stack with Chips (v)
Week Two Week commencing: 6th September 27th September 4th October	Beef Stew with Rice Halal Beef Stew with Rice Jacket Potato with Tuna Mayonnaise or Jacket Potato with Baked Beans (v)	Chicken Tikka Masala with Rice Halal Chicken Tikka Masala with Rice Macaroni Cheese (v)	Roast Beef with Roast Potatoes & Gravy Halal Roast Beef with Roast Potatoes & Gravy Quorn Roast with Roast Potatoes & Gravy (v)	Chicken Sausages with Mashed Potatoes & Gravy Halal Chicken Sausages with Mashed Potatoes & Gravy Veggie Sausages with Mashed Potatoes & Gravy (v)	Breaded Fish Fingers with Chips Homemade Cheese & Tomato Pizza with Chips (v)
Week Three Week commencing: 13th September 11th October	Beef Spaghetti Bolognese Halal Beef Spaghetti Bolognese Jacket Potato with Cheese & Baked Beans (v)	Piri Piri Chicken with Rice Halal Piri Piri Chicken with Rice Jacket Potato with Cheese & Baked Beans (v)	Roast Turkey with Roast Potatoes & Gravy Halal Roast Turkey with Roast Potatoes & Gravy Vegetable Pinwheel with Roast Potatoes & Gravy (v)	Shepherd's Pie Halal Shepherd's Pie Macaroni Cheese (v)	Breaded Fish with Chips Salmon Fish Cake with Chips Cheesy Tortilla Stack with Chips (v)