

Headteacher's Newsletter



July 2022 | Issue 1

Dear Parents/Carers,
This will be the second to last newsletter of the year and what a term we have had! This week we started our large transition activities with all children visiting their new classrooms and meeting their new teachers. Thank you to everyone who has supported this process and continue to encourage children as they prepare for the next stage in their school journey.



We have a busy couple of weeks until the end of term. Please stay safe as you enjoy the warming weather.

Mrs Kennedy

Summer Weather reminders

As the weather gets warmer, please remember the following:



- Please apply sun cream on your child before school
- Please ensure they bring in a sun hat and water bottle to school
- They must wear closed toe shoes with socks for health and safety reasons
- Please remember that children require less layers when it is hot.

Recent Communication

- New to Reception meetings
- Current Nursery to Reception meetings
- New to Nursery meetings
- Healthy Week and Sport's Day for all year groups
- Basil Farm Experience letter for Year 1 and Nursery
- Odd's Farm letter for Reception
- Whipsnade Zoo Trip—Year 2

Reminders

Nursery last day of term—

Wednesday 20th July 2022

Reception, Year 1 and Year 2

Last day of school Thursday 21st July 2022.

Class/Year Group	Finish Time
Spruce and Larch	12:00pm
Cedar and Birch	12:10pm
Year 1	12:15pm
Year 2	12:20pm

Importance of Punctuality

We have seen a large increase in late arrivals over the last few weeks. Please make sure that you leave for school in plenty of time to arrive before the gates close. Your child is missing key learning every time they are late to school. Please see the table below for a reminder of times:

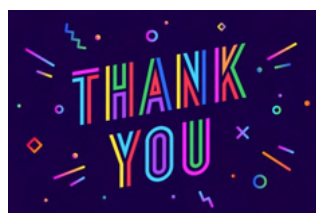
If you arrive after this time your child is late. Persistent absence and lateness are referred to the participation team at the local authority.

Year group/Class	Gates open	Gates close
Nursery am	8:30	8:45
Nursery pm	12:30	12:45
Reception	8:30	8:50
Year 1	8:40	8:55
Year 2	8:45	8:55

School Reports

Your child's school report will be available for you to collect from your child's class teacher at the end of the school day on **Thursday 14th July**.

If you are unable to collect your child's report but would like us to give to someone else **please do let us know in advance**. We will not give the report to your child to take home.



A huge thank you to John from the Flower Stall Company in Uxbridge who took the time to reply to a letter that was sent from Larch Class. John provided lots of information

about where the plants grow and the different types of flowers that are available to purchase. The company also donated three beautiful plants that have been potted into the Reception garden.

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 from **2:15pm** as follows:

Wednesday 13th July : Flamingo Class

Thursday 14th July : Peacock Class

Monday 18th July: Toucan Class

Tuesday 19th July : Kingfisher Class

A letter with further information was sent home with children today. Please check book bags and return the reply slips as soon as possible,

New Classes for September 2022

Thank you for your continued support as children complete transition activities to prepare them for the next stage of their learning journey ready for September.

A number of parents have asked about the process the school takes to decide which class a child is in. Staff take a number of aspects into consideration including the following:

Barriers to learning and any additional needs so that classes are evenly spread	Friendship groups including asking the children who they would like to be with	Parent requests (the deadline being the 10th June 2022 as stated in the May newsletter)
Gender	Number of children	Attainment levels

Starting Junior School

If your child is starting a 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.

We are relaunching our Parents' Association!

The Parents' Association are in need of new members for September. The Parents' Association supports the school with various events throughout the year including special fundraising events and school enrichment activities. The school will not be able to offer exciting experiences without the support of our wonderful parents.

If you would be interested then please email **office@mail.whitehallinf.org** or speak to **Miss Hall or myself** before the end of this school year. Our first meeting will be in September 2022.



Reminder - Summer Term PE Timetable

Class	PE Days
NAM	Wednesday
NPM	Wednesday
Cedar	Monday
Larch	Wednesday
Birch	Thursday
Spruce	Tuesday
Beech	Tuesday & Friday
Maple	Tuesday & Friday
Elm	Monday & Thursday
Pine	Monday & Thursday
Peacock	Tuesday & Thursday
Flamingo	Monday & Wednesday
Toucan	Tuesday & Wednesday
Kingfisher	Monday & Wednesday

Children may come to school on their

Safeguarding

If you are worried about a child or are concerned about an on-going issue involving a child please contact

Hillingdon Stronger Families Hub on 01895 556006,

or alternatively if you feel a child is in immediate danger then call **the Police emergency number 999.**

Please remember not to book term time holidays.

Our attendance policy can be found here:

[Attendance policy](#)



School Uniform

We are fortunate to always have families offering us donations of clean school uniform in an excellent condition. Given the rise in the cost of living and being so close to the end of the year we are urging any families who require school uniform to get in touch and we will offer support where we are able to.

Labelling Uniform

As the weather gets warmer, we find that children forget items of clothing on the playground. There are often items that can't be returned to their rightful owners as they are not labelled. Please right your child's name on clothing, water bottles, lunch boxes and book bags.



Final Orders at PMG

Final orders for uniform with the Whitehall Infant School logo on is the 12th August 2022.

Aspirations

One of our school values is Excellence and I was pleased with the range of careers the children would like to follow when they grow up. A special thank you to the parents and volunteers who came to speak to the children about their job roles including Mayor Becky Haggart and her consort, Mr Marios Kaikitis. We also had some other visitors during our Healthy Week including Victoria Ohuruogu, a Team GB athlete! We hope our visitors over the last few weeks inspire the children for the future.



Healthy Week including Sports Day Photos



Volunteers

Are you looking to gain experience in a school setting? Do you have skills that would help children to progress? We are looking for volunteers to work with our children to support them to reach their potential. If you would like an application form please visit the school office.

Healthy Week Continued



Staff for the next school year

Nursery Team - Mrs Bir, Mrs Murphy, Mrs Bains, Mrs Armaghan

Reception Cedar - Mrs McLucas / Miss Phillips

Spruce - Mrs Caba

Larch - Mrs Salah

Birch - Mrs Patel

Support Staff

Miss Fatima, Mrs Fawcett, Miss Lyford,
Miss Alley

Year 1

Elm - Miss Downie

Pine - Mr Ball/Miss Ukey

Beech - Miss Payne

Willow - Mrs Jamil

Support Staff

Mrs Young, Mrs Handa,
Mrs Hussain

Year 2

Toucan - Miss Walsh

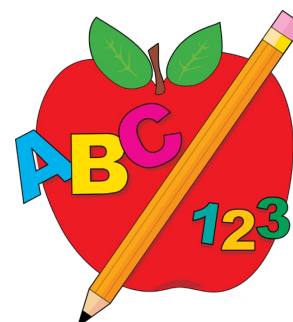
Kingfisher - Miss Wright

Flamingo - Mrs Aqbarawi

Peacock - Mrs Pert

Support Staff

Miss Perry, Mrs Sidhu



School trips this term (Basil Farm visit/Odds Farm trip/Whipsnade Zoo trip)



Reading Eggs and Mathseeds!


We subscribe to Reading Eggs and Mathseeds.

It is really beneficial for your child to use these programs at home to support their learning in school. The company are constantly updating their website with new games and learning



activities. We will be monitoring their usage and giving rewards to children who use this regularly. We are also hoping to start a Reading Eggs and Mathseeds club in school for children who are unable to access this at home. This will start in September.

Summer Menu

WEEKLY MENU					
					
	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Week 1 w/c 18 th April 09 th May 06 th June 27 th June 18 th July	Beef Bolognese and Spaghetti Jacket Potato with a Choice of Fillings Halal Chicken Pasta Bake Jelly Pot	Chicken Sausages with Mash & Gravy Quorn Sausages with Mash & Gravy Halal Chicken Sausages with Mash & Gravy Shortbread Biscuit with Sliced Fruit	Roast Boneless Chicken with Roast Potatoes & Gravy Vegetable Pinwheel with Roast Potatoes and Gravy Roast Halal Boneless Chicken with Roast Potatoes & Gravy Yorkshire puddings Ice Cream Tub/ Variety of Fruit	Lamb Lasagne with Garlic Bread Jacket Potato with Beans/ Cheese or Salmon Mayo Halal Lamb Lasagne with Garlic Bread Iced Lemon Sponge & Custard	Fish Fingers served with Chips Vegetable Spring Roll with Chips and Sweet Chilli Sauce Jacket Potato with Beans/Cheese or Tuna Mixed Fresh Fruit
Week 2 w/c 25 th April 16 th May 13 th June 04 th July	Chicken Goujons served with Baked Wedges Vegetable Burger in a Bun served with Chips and Tomato Ketchup Jacket Potato Beans/ Cheese/ Salmon Mayo Jelly Pot	Beef Burger in a Bun with Homemade Wedges Macaroni Cheese with Garlic Bread Halal Beef Burger in a Bun with Homemade Wedges Strawberry Jelly with Peaches	Roast Beef with Roast Potatoes and Gravy Quorn Roast with Roast Potatoes and Gravy Halal Roast Beef with Roast Potatoes and Gravy Yorkshire puddings Ice Cream Tub	BBQ chicken casserole served with Rice Cheese and Tomato Pasta Bake Halal BBQ chicken casserole served with Rice Chocolate Cake & Chocolate Sauce	Breaded Fish served with Chips Crispy Quorn Nuggets served with Chips and Tomato Ketchup Mixed Fresh Fruit
Week 3 w/c 02 nd May 23 rd May 20 th June 11 th July	Homemade Chicken Pizza with Baked Potato Wedges Homemade Cheese & Tomato Pizza with Baked Potato Wedges Halal Chicken Pizza with Baked Potato Wedges Jelly Pot	Lamb Shepherd's Pie Jacket Potato with Beans/Cheese or Salmon Mayo Halal Lamb Shepherd's Pie Fruit Yoghurt/ Variety of Fruit	Roast Turkey with Roast Potatoes & Gravy Vegetable Pinwheel with Roast Potatoes and Gravy Halal Roast Turkey with Roast Potatoes & Gravy Yorkshire puddings Flapjack/ Variety of Fruit	Chicken Fajita with Savoury Rice Macaroni cheese with Garlic Bread Halal Chicken Fajita with Savoury Rice Ice Cream Tub	Fish Finger Bap & Chips with Homemade Tartare Sauce Tortilla Stacks served with Chips Mixed Fresh Fruit

AVAILABLE DAILY

We also serve a choice of salads, selection of vegetables, freshly baked bread, fresh fruit platters, fruit yoghurt and water.

Central and North West London 
NHS Foundation Trust

Hillingdon Peer Support Breastfeeding Drop-in (London Borough of Hillingdon residents only)

Tuesdays 10.00 to 11.30 am

Where: Social Room, Aquavista Packet Boat Marina, Packet Boat Lane Uxbridge,

Run by: trained NHS Peer Supporters, Lizzie and Sarah

This group is open to women who are breastfeeding or anyone who is pregnant and wants to discuss breastfeeding

Drop-in for information, support or just a chat and a cup of tea

No need to book

Large free car park on site



SCIENCE MUSEUM

School's out for summer! (...almost)

With summer holidays just around the corner, we wanted to remind you what's on at the Science Museum. From a stunning [new free exhibition](#) to tried-and-tested [favourites](#), there is something for everyone.

 Free admission tickets available all summer

 Doors open seven days a week from 1 July

 New exhibitions and more to discover!

[Please visit the Science Museum website for more information](#)

FRESH ARTS

Nurturing Creativity

Dear Parents and Guardians,

We hope that you are well.

As you know, we have fun and exciting Performing Arts Camps that we run during the holidays every year. Children enjoy each day with speech & drama, dance & movement, singing & music, arts & crafts, and outdoor sporting activities. Every year children comment, that the camp was the best fun that they had all year.

The children are split into teams throughout the camps to win points and prizes at the end of each day. All sessions are led by professional artists who are specialists in their subjects. All staff have an enhanced DBS check, safeguarding training and paediatric first aid. We are Ofsted registered and take childcare vouchers.

Ages: 5 - 11
Timings: 9AM - 3PM

We will be running this camp at your school: **Ruislip Gardens Primary School.**

This camp will be running for the following dates:

Week 1: Monday 25th July 2022 - Thursday 28th July 2022
Week 2: Monday 1st August 2022 - Thursday 4th August 2022

To book your place please click the link below:
<https://fresharts.class4kids.co.uk/camp/66>

This year, we have been offered a fund called the **HAF fund for children who are eligible for free school meals and places are funded at no cost to the parents who are in receipt of benefits such as a universal credit with lunch being included.** We only have a small, limited number of places for this HAF fund and will be given on a first come first serve basis.

To book a HAF funded place you can click the link below:
<https://fresharts.class4kids.co.uk/camp/66>

Please let us know if you have any questions or queries, always happy to help.

Best Wishes,
Pierre Khan

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www.fresharts.co

Term Dates 2022-2023

AUTUMN TERM - 2022	
Staff Development Day (Holiday for children)	Thursday 1st September 2022
Staff Development Day (Holiday for children)	Friday 2nd September 2022
Term starts for the children	Monday 5th September 2022
Half Term Holiday	Mon 24th - Fri 28th October 2022
Term starts for the children	Monday 31st October 2022
Term Ends	Friday 16th December 2022
SPRING TERM - 2023	
Term starts for the children	Tuesday 3rd January 2023
Staff Development Day (Holiday for children)	Friday 10th February 2023
Half Term Holiday	Mon 13th - Fri 17th February 2023
Term starts for the children	Monday 20th February 2023
Term Ends	Friday 31st March 2023
SUMMER TERM - 2023	
Term starts for the children	Monday 17th April 2023
May Day (Public Holiday - school closed)	Monday 1st May 2023
Term ends for the children	Friday 26th May 2023
Half Term Holiday	Mon 29th May - Fri 2nd June 2023
Term starts for the children	Monday 5th June 2023
Staff Development Day (Holiday for children)	Monday 3rd July 2023
Term Ends	Thursday 20th July 2023
Staff Development Day (Holiday for children)	Friday 21st July 2023

