



Headteacher's Newsletter

July 2019 ISSUE 2

Dear Parents and Carers,

This is my last newsletter for this school year.

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

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

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

Have a Great Summer!

Reminders

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

Change to school finish time

Please remember that from September school will finish at **3:10pm**. Nursery finishes at 3:30pm but children can be collected from 3:15pm.

Transition meetings

Transition information meetings for each year group have now taken place. If you were unable to attend these meetings, the information can be found on our website - <http://www.whitehall-inf.hillingdon.sch.uk/parents/noticeboard>.

School Reports and Open afternoon

You should have received your child's school report. If you have not yet received it, please speak to your child's class teacher.

It was great to see so many parents attend our open afternoon - we hope you found it informative.

Attendance

We have seen an improvement on attendance over the past school year - well done and thank you!

I would like to thank you for supporting our HERO initiative. The children have really enjoyed having the chance to be a HERO this year. Let's keep up the good work for the next school year!

Farewells

Sadly at this time of year, there are always staff members who move on. This year we say goodbye to Miss Heapy, Mrs Chana and Mrs Yusuf. I would like to thank them for their hard and wish them all the best at their new roles.



Staff for the next school year

Nursery Team - Mrs Bir, Mrs Fawsett, Mrs Rout, Mrs Armaghan

Reception Cedar - Mrs McLucas

Spruce - Mrs Caba

Larch - Miss Downie

Birch - Mrs Jamil



Year 1 Maple - Ms McWhinney-Tripp

Pine - Mr Ball

Beech - Miss McAnulty

Year 2 Toucan - Mrs Najmudin

Kingfisher - Miss Wright

Peacock - Miss Lee

Flamingo - Mrs Aqbarawi

Lost Property

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

Parents' Association

The Summer Fair raised nearly £1000 - this is a fantastic achievement! Thank you to everyone who helped to make the fair a success.



Sponsored Readathon

All children who brought in their completed sponsorship Readathon forms were presented with certificates in assembly. I would like to say a special well done to Brandon in Year 2 for being our star Readathon pupil and receiving a National Book Token.

Summer Reading Assembly

We had a visit from the Library to tell the children about this year's Summer Reading challenge 'Space Chase'.

Please visit <https://archive.hillingdon.gov.uk/summerreading> for more information and for various free activities taking place at local libraries over the summer holidays.

If your child takes part in the Summer Reading challenge, sign up to this website <https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/join-in> for rewards and competitions relating to this year's challenge.

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 which parents will be invited to.



Adib Cricket

Adib in Year 2 was lucky enough to meet the England cricket team after they won the Cricket World Cup!



Year 2 Graduation Celebrations

The Year 2 children's graduation celebrations were wonderful. I would like to thank the Year 2 staff for helping to make the graduation ceremonies something to remember and a real celebration of the children's achievements.



Class Parties

The children had a wonderful time at their class parties. It was so nice to see the children come to school in their party clothes. Thank you to those parents who brought in food for the parties.



Peter Pan Workshops

The children received a visit from a company called Perform4all last week who provided each class with a Peter Pan drama workshop!



Safety

One of our values is **Safety**. Throughout the year, the children have been taught about road safety, fire safety, internet safety and water safety amongst others.

Please help the children to practice the safety messages they have learnt and to keep safe at home and in public.

STAY SAFE

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.
- ☐ Summer Term Only - Red and white gingham or striped dress, grey or black shorts

- * 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.





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 an assembly, our caterers and kitchen staff and 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.

Note from the Governors

Warm greetings to all students and their families and staff. It is incredible to find that we are at the end of another academic year!

The governing board have met several times over the year, checking that high standards are being maintained in terms of teaching and learning and ensuring that money is being spent appropriately.

We are very pleased with the assessment results. In particular, we are gratified to have retained our GOOD status following the Ofsted inspection in March. The school community really showed itself off at its best.

It's not all been work though! Governors had a lovely time at the fabulous Summer Fair and the Thank You assembly, and we enjoy hearing about the various trips that the children have been on. We are fortunate in that the school is well placed to take advantage of all the different museums, parks and zoos to enrich the children's learning and experience of the world.

Our aim is to provide a well-rounded excellent education, and we thank the pupils and their families and the staff for their extremely hard work to ensure that we live the vision and values of being a five star F.R.E.S.H. school.

Wishing you all a safe and restful summer break, and we look forward to welcoming old and new families in the Autumn term. For those leaving Whitehall Infants, we wish you all the best for the future.

Kindest regards,

Governors of Whitehall Infant School

For more information about what governors do, see the school website at: <http://www.whitehall-inf.hillingdon.sch.uk/governors>

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, here are some suggestions:

<https://www.waterstones.com/events/search/shop/uxbridge>

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Waterstone's

Playday 2019
Hillingdon Athletics Stadium
Wednesday 7 August
10am to 2pm

Start your summer by celebrating children's right to play. This fun packed day will offer a variety of activities including BMX bikes, a climbing wall, multi sports, paddling machines, arts and crafts and lots more...

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- Bucks Country Parks -

Whats on?

13th July	A Midsummer Night's Dream Outdoor Theatre Langley Park	14th August	Junior Forest School Black Park
26th July	Grease Outdoor Cinema Black Park	16th August	Greatest Showman Outdoor Cinema Black Park
2nd August	Film Walk Black Park	20th August	Den Building & Family Picnic Black Park
6th August	Bugs & Beasts Black Park	22nd August	Awesome Animal Handling Langley Park
9th August	Alice In Wonderland Outdoor Theatre Langley Park	27th, 28th, 29th August	Dinosaur Trail Black Park
13th August	Tots Go Wild Summer Special Black Park	30th August	Jurassic Park Outdoor Cinema Black Park

For more information:
<http://buckscountyparks.eventbrite.co.uk> or email countyparks@buckscc.gov.uk Like us on Facebook: <https://en-gb.facebook.com/buckscountyparks>

Lunch menu

Please find below the lunch menu from September

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Week One W/c 2nd September 23rd September 14th October 11th November 2nd December	Chicken Curry with Rice Baked Fish with New Potatoes Jacket Potato with Beans Berry Sponge with Custard	Jacket Potato with mild Beef Chilli Jacket Potato with mild Halal Beef Chilli Tortilla Stacks with Baked Wedges Strawberry Ice Cream with Fruit Wedges	Roast Chicken with Roast Potatoes & Gravy Quorn Roast with Roast Potatoes & Gravy Baked Vegetable filled Yorkshire Pudding with Roast Potatoes Carrot & Pineapple Cake with Custard	Lamb Pie with New Potatoes Halal Lamb Pie with New Potatoes Macaroni Cheese Banana & Chocolate Mousse	Fish Fingers and Chips Indian Style Biryani Fruity Friday: Selection of Fresh Fruit with Greek Yoghurt
Week Two W/c 9th September 30th September 28th October 18th November 9th December	Beef Bolognese with Pasta Vegetable Bolognese with Pasta Jacket Potato with Tuna Mayonnaise Apple & Cinnamon Sponge with Custard	Chicken Korma with Rice Halal Chicken Korma with Rice Macaroni Cheese Jelly with Fruit Wedges	Roast Beef with Roast Potatoes and Gravy Roast Quorn with Roast Potatoes and Gravy Vegetable Pasta Bake Peach Oat Bar with Custard	Piri Piri style Chicken Halal Piri Piri style Chicken Red Pepper & Sweet Potato Pattie Chocolate Brownie with Orange Wedges	Pizza Bar Cheese & Tomato or Sweetcorn & Pepper Salmon Fishcakes Natural Yoghurt with Assorted Fruit Puree topped with Homemade Granola
Week Three W/c 16th September 7th October 4th November 25th November 16th December	Chicken Jollof Rice Cauliflower and Broccoli Cheese Bake Quorn Stir Fry with Rice Lemon & Lime cake with Custard	Lamb Lasagne with Garlic Bread Halal Lamb Lasagne with Garlic Bread Jacket Potato with Cheese & Beans Raspberry Ripple Ice Cream with Watermelon	Roast Beef with Roast Potatoes and Gravy Vegetarian Pinwheel with Roast Potatoes and Gravy Tomato Pasta Bake Pineapple Sponge with Custard	Chicken Sausages with Mashed potato & Gravy Halal Chicken Sausages with Mashed potato & Gravy Quorn Sausages with Mash & Gravy Oat & Raisin Cookie with Apple Wedges	Breaded Fish with Chips Chinese style stir fry vegetables with noodles Chocolate cake bar with Fruit Wedges

Available Daily: Salads, Seasonal Vegetables, Freshly Baked Bread, Fresh Fruit Platters, Fruit Yoghurt and Water



School Terms and Holidays

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Whitehall Infant School

AUTUMN TERM - 2019

<i>Staff Development Day (Holiday for children)</i>	Monday 2nd September
<i>Staff Development Day (Holiday for children)</i>	Tuesday 3rd September
Term starts for the children at 8:50am	Wednesday 4th September
Half Term Holiday	Week of 21st - 25th October
<i>Staff Development Day (Holiday for children)</i>	Monday 28th October
Term starts for the children at 8:50am	Tuesday 29th October
Term Ends	Thursday 19th December at 12:30pm

SPRING TERM - 2020

Term starts for the children at 8:50am	Monday 6th January
Half Term Holiday	Week of 17th - 21st February
Term starts for the children at 8:50am	Monday 6th January
Term Ends	Friday 3rd April at 12:30pm

SUMMER TERM - 2020

Term starts for the children at 8:50am	Monday 20th April
May Day (public holiday - school closed)	Friday 8th May
Half Term Holiday	Week of 25th - 29th May
Term starts for the children at 8:50am	Monday 1st June
Term Ends	Friday 17th July at 12:30pm
<i>Staff Development Day (Holiday for children)</i>	Monday 20th July
<i>Staff Development Day (Holiday for children)</i>	Tuesday 21st July

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