



# Headteacher's Newsletter

## July 2019 ISSUE 1

Dear Parents and Carers,



It is nice to see the weather improving.  
Please remember to stay safe in the sun!  
We have lots of exciting things planned over the last 2 weeks of this school year.

### Change to school finish time

We recently wrote to you to inform you that, from September, the Infant school will finish at 3:10pm. If you did not receive a copy of this letter and would like one, please visit the main school office.

### Nursery Celebrations

Parents and carers of nursery children are invited to join them for their end of year celebration. These will take place on **Monday 22nd July** at:  
**11am for morning session**  
**3pm for afternoon session.**



### 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.

### Family Reading + Breakfast morning

Come along to read a book with your child and have some bagel on **Friday 19th July** at **8:40am** in your child's classroom.

### Term Dates

**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 Year 1	Tuesday 9th July at 9am or 5pm
Moving to Year 2	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 moving to Whitehall Junior school in September will be able to meet with Harrison's Catering in the school playground on **Tuesday 9th July at 3:10pm** to find out more information about their lunch provision for Year 3.

### Year 2 Graduation

Year 2 children will be creating and bringing home their own invitations for their Graduation celebrations. Please return the reply slip by **Friday 12th July**.

The celebrations will take place in our school hall at

2:30pm as follows:

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



### School Reports and Open afternoon

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 11th July**. We are having an open afternoon for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 on **Monday 15th July** at **2:45pm until 3:45pm**. You can come and meet your child's current class teacher and view your child's work in the classroom.

## Parents' Association



Thank you to everyone who attended and helped at the Summer Fair. As always, thank you to the Parents' Association for all the hard work that goes in to organising the fair, it is very much appreciated. We will share with you soon the total amount raised.

The Parents' Association are in need of new members for September. If you would be interested then please email pawwhitehallinfants@gmail.com or speak to Hannah Radley (chair) or myself before the end of this school year.



## Attendance

Thank you to parents for supporting our Attendance HERO initiative and for encouraging your child to be an Attendance HERO. There are only 12 days left of school so keep up the good work!

## Punctuality

Since the last newsletter, we have seen an improvement in punctuality. Thank you to everyone who makes an effort to get their child to school on time. If we have any concerns regarding your child's punctuality we will write to you.

## Starting Junior School

To the Year 2 parents: If your child is not attending Whitehall Junior School, please see Mrs Chana in the main school office.

## Nursery applications

If your child was born between 1st September 2015 and 31st August 2016, they are eligible to start Nursery in September this year. If you or anyone you know would like to apply, please collect an application form from the main school office.

## 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** - Mrs McWhinney-Tripp  
**Pine** - Mr Ball  
**Beech** - Miss McAnulty



**Year 2**  
**Toucan** - Mrs Najmudin  
**Kingfisher** - Miss Wright  
**Peacock** - Miss Lee  
**Flamingo** - Mrs Aqbarawi



Letters have been sent home to inform you of your child's class and teacher for September. If you have not received this letter, please visit the main school office.

Previously, parents and carers have requested more information for the children to ease the transition process for them. This year, all children have been sent home with an information leaflet containing details of their new class.

Parents of children moving to Year 1 and 2 are invited to information meetings. Please see the previous page under 'Transition' for more information. Reception meetings have already taken place.

## Safety reminders

- Children must be supervised at all times. It can be very busy in the playground and we would not want any children to get separated from their parents.
- Infant school children must be walked to their classroom door at the start of the day.
- Please do not leave children alone in a car, especially during the hot weather. The temperature inside a car is often much hotter than that outside.
- During the warmer weather, please ensure children wear appropriate clothing and bring a sun hat and water bottle to school with them.

## Nursery visit from a fire engine

The Nursery children were very lucky to receive a visit from a fire engine! They were able to sit in the fire engine and try using some of the equipment.



## Reception Trip to the Beck Theatre

The Reception children had a wonderful time watching *The Tiger Who Came to Tea* at the Beck Theatre. They were very well behaved and thoroughly enjoyed their trip to the theatre! Thank you to Mrs Bir for planning this outing.



## Year 2 Victorian Day

The children had a great time on their Victorian day and learnt so much about the Victorian Era. They were pleased that everything went back to normal!



## Thank You Assembly

We recently held a Thank You assembly to say a special thank you to people who have helped the school and the children over the last academic year. I explained the concept of volunteering and how parents volunteer in many ways and introduced our Governors and community members including representatives from the London Borough of Hillingdon, a local councillor and many others. Year 1 sang beautifully and read a poem to which they had all contributed.



## Ministars and Superstars sports days

It was great to see a fantastic turn out of families for Sports Day to cheer the children on. Well done to all the children who took part for being such great sports!



## Lunch Menu

Week of 15th July (Week 3 of menu):

<i>MONDAY</i>	<i>TUESDAY</i>	<i>WEDNESDAY</i>	<i>THURSDAY</i>	<i>FRIDAY</i>
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:
Peach crumble with custard	Chocolate & Beetroot cake	Pineapple & Coconut sponge with custard	Oat Bar with Fresh Fruit	Selection of fresh fruit with greek Yoghurt

## Summer Reading Challenge 2019

Every year, the library's Summer Reading Challenge encourages children's reading throughout the summer, so they are not behind when they return to school.

This year's challenge launches on Saturday 6 July and is free to join.

Visit <https://archive.hillingdon.gov.uk/summerreading> or your local library for more information.

After the holidays, we ask that your child brings in their Summer Reading Challenge certificate so that we can present them with it in assembly and receive a prize from the school for taking part.

