

## Carolling Assembly - Years 1 to 6



The school echoed with joyous melodies as our Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 pupils took centre stage, delivering heart-warming performances that filled our hearts with the spirit of Christmas. From traditional carols to modern tunes, their enthusiastic renditions and infectious spirit truly spread the magic of the season. May the joy of these assemblies linger in our hearts throughout this holiday season, and may the spirit of Christmas bring you and your loved ones endless happiness and peace.



















## Term Dates – 2023 to 2024

### SPRING TERM 2024

<b>Staff Training:</b> (Half day)	<b>Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2024</b> [Training – morning only] [Parent Consultation – afternoon and early evening]
<b>Staff Training:</b> (Half day)	<b>Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2024</b> [Training – morning only] [Parent Consultation – afternoon and early evening]
<b>Term Begins:</b>	<b>Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> January 2024</b>
<b>Half Term:</b>	<b>Monday 12<sup>th</sup> to Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2024</b>
<b>Term Ends:</b>	<b>Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March 2024</b>

### SUMMER TERM 2024

<b>Staff Training:</b> (Half day)	<b>Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April 2024</b> [Training – morning only] [Parent Consultation – afternoon and early evening]
<b>Staff Training:</b> (Half day)	<b>Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> April 2024</b> [Training – morning only] [Parent Consultation – afternoon and early evening]
<b>Term Begins:</b>	<b>Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> April 2024</b>
<b>Bank Holiday:</b>	<b>Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May 2024 (May Day)</b>
<b>Half Term:</b>	<b>Monday 27<sup>th</sup> to Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May 2024</b>
<b>Term Ends:</b>	<b>Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2024</b>
<b>Staff Training:</b>	<b>Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2024</b>
<b>Staff Training:</b>	<b>Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> July 2024</b>

## Christmas Meals – Tuesday 19th December

On Tuesday 19th December, we will be offering the children who wish to have a school dinner, a free traditional Christmas meal and a dessert. **All information regarding Christmas meals is available on IPayimpact. You will be required to log into your child's IPay account and select their meal preference at your earliest convenience.**

## Christmas Parties

Christmas parties will be held on **Wednesday 20th December** for each class. To keep everyone safe and limit food contamination, we are kindly asking all parents, guardians and carers to ensure that each child brings in their individual food bags (no nuts allowed). Please note children are required to wear full school uniform on this day.

## Christmas Pantomime

On Thursday 21st December, all the children will have the opportunity to enjoy the annual Christmas Pantomime. This year, they will be watching 'Peter Pan'. If you do not wish for your child to be a part of this event, please inform the school office. Thank you.

## End of Term – Thursday 21st December

A reminder to all parents, guardians and carers that Thursday 21st December is the last day of term. Children will be dismissed at staggered times starting from 11:30am. Please see below for times:

Year Group	Pick-Up Time
Nursery AM	11:30am
Reception to Year 6	12:00pm

Please note that afternoon Nursery will not be open and there will be no aftercare available on this day. Thank you.



## TERM DATES - 2023 to 2024

The 2023 to 2024 term dates are detailed on our website and can be accessed via ([www.hewensprimary.co.uk/term-dates](http://www.hewensprimary.co.uk/term-dates)). Please check these dates, as they will be particularly helpful to parents, guardians or carers planning family holidays and activities.

DECEMBER 2023 TO JANUARY 2024		
DECEMBER		
Wednesday 20th	1:30pm	Christmas Class Parties
Thursday 21st		Christmas Pantomime
Thursday 21st		End Of Term (Early Dismissal)
JANUARY		
Monday 8th	1:00 to 5:00pm	Parent Consultation
Tuesday 9th		
Wednesday 10th		Term Begins
Thursday 11th		Personal Safety (Stranger Danger) Presentation - Year 4
		What Police Officers do and How we Help People - Year 3
		Internet Safety Presentation - Year 5
Thursday 11th	2:00pm	Parent Workshop - Internet Safety Presentation (Years 3 to 6)
Friday 12th		'Future Life' Presentation
Tuesday 16th	9:00am	Year 6 SATs Parent Workshop
Thursday 18th		NCMP Height and Weight - Reception and Year 6
Monday 22nd to Friday 26th		Life Base Workshops

### Parent Consultation

Parent consultation meetings will be held over a two-day period on Monday 8th and Tuesday 9th January 2024. **Parent consultation times have been sent out via letter this week.** Please be assured that we have taken into consideration those who have more than one child and have given a similar time to accommodate these families on their assigned day. If this is not the case, please contact us via email and we will try to change this for you. If you are unable to accommodate a face-to-face parent consultation meeting, the teachers will make alternative arrangements via telephone conference.

### Years 3 to 6 Presentations

On Thursday 11th and Friday 12th January, the Metropolitan Police Services will be holding a variety of workshops for Years 3 to 6. For further information regarding the topic, please check the diary dates. Please note these workshops will be age appropriate for the children.

### Primary School Admissions 2024

We would like to inform all parents, guardians and carers of children born between 1st September 2019 and 31st August 2020 that the closing date for applications for Primary School places to be received by the London Borough of Hillingdon is **Monday 15th January 2024**. To ensure your application arrives on time and to give your child the best possible chance of being offered the school of your choice, we would advise that you submit your applications before the Christmas holiday period. Further information can be found at ([www.hillingdon.gov.uk/primary](http://www.hillingdon.gov.uk/primary)). You should have received information about applying for your child starting primary school via email.

Week Commencing: Monday 18th December		
SPECIAL MENU 2		
MONDAY		
Meal Choice 1	Beef Meatball Pasta Bake	Halal
Meal Choice 2	Beef Meatball Pasta Bake	Non Halal
Meal Choice 3	Vegetable Pasta Bake	Vegetarian
Meal Choice 4	Meatballs with Gluten free Pasta	Gluten/Dairy Free
Dessert Choice	Strawberry Mousse with Fresh Strawberries	Fresh Fruit and Yoghurts
TUESDAY - 'Christmas Meal'		
Meal Choice 1	Roast Norfolk Turkey with a Rich Onion Gravy	Halal
Meal Choice 2	Roast Norfolk Turkey with a Gluten free Rich Onion Gravy	Gluten/Dairy Free Halal
Meal Choice 3	Roast Norfolk Turkey with a Rich Onion Gravy and a Pork Chipolata wrapped in Smoked Bacon	Non Halal
Meal Choice 4	Roast Norfolk Turkey with a Gluten free Rich Onion Gravy	Gluten/Dairy Free Non Halal
Meal Choice 5	Mini Quiche Selections	Vegetarian
Meal Choice 6	Whole Roasted Cauliflower with Garlic, Thyme and Black pepper	Gluten/Dairy Free Vegetarian
Vegetables	Roasted Rosemary and Thyme Potatoes, Sage and Onion Stuffing, Yorkshire Pudding, Honey Glazed Baby Carrots and Baby Buttered Brussels Sprouts	
Dessert Choice	Rich Chocolate Cake with a Caramel Fudge Sauce	Fresh Fruit and Yoghurts
Gluten Free Dessert Choice	Gluten Free Chocolate Fudge Cake served with Fresh Strawberries	
WEDNESDAY		
Meal Choice 1	Baked Jacket Potato with Fillings (sliced chicken, salad, coleslaw, tuna)	
Meal Choice 2	Sweet Potato with Fillings (sliced chicken, salad, coleslaw, tuna)	Vegetarian
Meal Choice 3	Baked Jacket Potato with Salad and Beans	Gluten/Dairy Free
Dessert Choice	Fruit Tarts	Fresh Fruit and Yoghurts
Dessert Choice	Chocolate Sponge	Fresh Fruit and Yoghurts
Please note that all main meals are served with Fresh Vegetables of the Day		

### Year 6 Parent Workshop - Tuesday 16th January

All parents, guardians and carers are invited to attend a Year 6 SATs workshop on Tuesday 16th January at 9:00am in the Hall. During the workshop, we will share strategies and ideas that could be used at home to support your child's learning. It will be an informative workshop and it is highly recommended that you attend. It will also give you opportunities to ask any questions regarding the Year 6 curriculum and assessments. We are looking forward to seeing you all.

### Holiday Requests During Term Time

Children's absence during term time will only be approved under exceptional circumstances. Any planned term time leave of absence, must be requested in writing to the Headteacher prior to any travel arrangements being made. In such circumstances, please contact the School Office and request a Leave of Absence Form, which must be completed and returned to the School Office prior to the absence.

#### Evidence is required to support the request.

You will be notified if your request is approved as soon as possible. If the absence is not approved but taken, it will be recorded as unauthorised. Please be aware that unauthorised absences could result in the issue of a fixed penalty fine and/or prosecution by the Local Authority. If you have any questions or require any further information about this procedure, please contact the School Office. Thank you.