



FRIDAY 26TH APRIL, 2024

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#### **Phonics Intervention**



Our ongoing Phonics Intervention sessions have been designed to cater specifically to the needs of our Early Years and Key Stage 1 pupils, offering a fantastic opportunity to enhance early literacy skills on a regular basis. Remember to continue to support your children at home on the literary journey.





Attendance Assembly



It was a momentous occasion as we recognised and rewarded those pupils who achieved 100% attendance! At the assembly, 106 of our pupils were applauded for their remarkable achievement in maintaining perfect attendance throughout the term. Their unwavering dedication to learning serves as an inspiration to us all, showcasing the importance of regular attendance in academic success.

As we continue to prioritise the value of attendance in nurturing academic growth and personal development, we encourage all pupils to strive for regular attendance and active participation in their learning journey.

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#### **Hillingdon Foodbank**



The Hillingdon Foodbank is experiencing a growing need for assistance as clients continue to rise and essentials are getting increasingly difficult. This is affecting the stock level in the Foodbank also as we've witnessed a decrease in donations and a rise in need. We kindly request your support as every donation, no matter how big or small will make meaningful contributions to the lives of those in need. Thank you for your dedication to our cause.

## **Hillingdon Cycling**

Hillingdon cycling instructors are back every second Saturday of the month from April to October offering free cycle training to Hillingdon Residents (children and adults). Whether you want to learn to ride or refresh your skills, all are welcome. Cycling sessions will take place at Pield Heath School Cycle Track which is a safe and enclosed space to learn.

Please click on the link below to find out more information (<u>https://www.hillingdon.gov.uk/cycle-skills-training</u>)

#### School Car Park

We would like to remind parents, guardians and carers, that the car park on the Hewens Primary and Hewens College sites are for the use of staff only. Use of this area for parking or turning any other vehicles around is strictly prohibited. This restriction is in place in order to minimise the risk of an accident involving children accessing and egressing the School. We thank you in advance for your cooperation in this matter.



# TERM DATES - 2024 to 2025

The 2024 to 2025 term dates are detailed on our website and can be accessed via (<u>www.hewensprimary.co.uk/term-dates</u>). Please check these dates, as they will be particularly helpful to parents, guardians or carers planning family holidays and activities.

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Week Commencing: Monday 29th April

APRIL TO MAY 2024						
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Monday 29th to Friday 3rd May		Practice Papers - Year 6 SATs				
MAY						
Monday 6th		May Day Bank Holiday				
Wednesday 8th and Thursday 9th		Enrichment Clubs Begin				
Monday 13th to Friday 17th		Practice Papers - Year 1 Phonics				
Monday 13th to Thursday 16th		Year 6 SATs Week				
Tuesday 14th		Year 3 Outdoor Pedestrian Training				
		Reception Indoor Pedestrian Training				
		Year 1 Indoor Pedestrian Training				
Friday 17th		Whipsnade Zoo - Year 2 Trip				
Tuesday 21st		Year 2 Outdoor Pedestrian Training				
Thursday 23rd		Pirate Day - Year1				
Thursday 23rd	9:00am	Year 1 Pirate Assembly (Hazel)				
	2:30pm	Year 1 Pirate Assembly (Maple)				
Friday 24th		Superhero Day - Reception				

## Year 6 SATs Practice Papers

We would like to remind parents, guardians and carers, that children in Year 6 will sit their practice SATs paper during the week commencing Monday 29th April. It is also extremely important that they attend school every day.

Please also remember that a good breakfast is always an essential meal for children before school, particularly when they are sitting tests. Research has shown that children who eat a healthy breakfast have improved alertness, concentration, mental performance, mood and memory. We wish all our children every success in their tests!

## Whipsnade Zoo – Year 2 Trip

On Friday 17th May, the Year 2 children will be attending Whipsnade Zoo in Dunstable. We would like to remind parents, guardians and carers that the reply slip and payment for the Whipsnade Zoo are due by Friday 3rd May. **All payments should be made through your child's iPayimpact account**.

## May Day Bank Holiday

Please note that Monday 6th May is the May Day Bank Holiday therefore the School will be closed. School will resume at the normal time of 8:35am on Tuesday 7th May. Thank you.

#### Enrichment Clubs – Summer Term

Enrichment clubs will proceed from the week commencing Monday 6th May. All clubs will be held on either Wednesday or Thursday each week and will run until Wednesday 12th and Thursday 13th June.

Please note all Enrichment clubs will start straight after school and finish at 4:30pm.

PRIMARY	MENU 4			
MONDAY				
Meal Choice 1	Spaghetti Bolognese		Halal	
Meal Choice 2	Spaghetti Bolognese	Non Halal		
Meal Choice 3	Mediterranean Pasta Bake	Vegetarian		
Meal Choice 4	Bolognese with Gluten free Pasta	Gluten/Dairy Free		
Dessert Choice	Raspberry Jelly	Fruit and Yoghurts		
TUESDAY				
Meal Choice 1	Chicken Sausages with Mashed Potatoes and Beans	Halal		
Meal Choice 2	Chicken Sausages with Mashed Potatoes and Beans	Non Halal		
Meal Choice 3	Vegetarian Sausages with Mashed Potatoes and Onion G	Vegetarian		
Meal Choice 4	Gluten free Pork Sausages with Mashed Potatoes withou or Butter	Gluten/Dairy Free		
Dessert Choice	Jam and Coconut Sponge	Fruit and Yoghurts		
WEDNESDA	Y			
Meal Choice 1	Diced Lamb with Noodles and Vegetable Stir Fry	Halal		
Meal Choice 2	Diced Lamb with Noodles and Vegetable Stir Fry	Non Halal		
Meal Choice 3	Vegetable Stir Fry with Noodles	Vegetarian		
Meal Choice 4	Diced Lamb with Vegetable Stir Fry		Gluten/Dairy Free	
Dessert Choice	Vanilla Ice Cream with Peaches	Fruit and Yoghurts		
THURSDAY				
Meal Choice 1	Roast Chicken with Roast Potatoes, Stuffing and Onion Gravy		Halal	
Meal Choice 2	Roast Chicken with Roast Potatoes, Stuffing and Onion Gravy		Non Halal	
Meal Choice 3	Cheese and Onion Tart		Vegetarian	
Meal Choice 4	Roast Chicken with Roast Potatoes and Gluten free Gravy	Gluten/Dairy Free		
Dessert Choice	Chocolate Sponge Fresh		Fruit and Yoghurts	
FRIDAY				
Meal Choice 1	Fish Fingers or Battered Chicken with Potato Wedges	Halal		
Meal Choice 2	Fish Fingers or Battered Chicken with Potato Wedges	Non Halal		
Meal Choice 3	Macaroni Cheese	Vegetarian		
Meal Choice 4	Gluten free Fish Fingers with Gluten free Potato Wedges Beans	Gluten/Dairy Free		
Dessert Choice	Custard Tart Fresh		Fruit and Yoghurts	
Please note that all main meals are served with Fresh Vegetables of the Day				

# School Readiness at Learn Hillingdon – Information from the Local Authority

So, what is school readiness? Well, we see it as a measure of how prepared a child is to succeed in school, cognitively, socially and emotionally. This allows teachers to focus on developing skills and stops young children playing 'catch up', so they can develop their love for school and parents can be confident that their child is coping well with the transition. Sadly, the last statistical data shows that in Hillingdon, 1 in 2 children are 'school ready' compared to Lewisham, where about 3 in 4 children are school ready. And the pandemic will not have improved this situation.

So, we are offering all parents of young children, who are about to go to school for the first time a **free online course**: School Readiness at 7pm to 9pm on 30th April - 21st May - Tuesday evenings for 4 weeks.

Parents can enrol here: (<u>https://rb.gy/v01cf9</u>). Just click on the blue ENROL button.

Or if you can't make this particular course, then you could choose the course that is starting in early June or late June. Once enrolled, parents will be sent all the information they need to attend, including the link to the online class.