

Year 6 Bikeability Safer Cycling Course



Last week, our Year 6 pupils successfully completed the Bikeability Safer Cycling Course, a government programme designed to teach essential cycling skills and road safety by a team of qualified instructors. This achievement marks an important milestone in helping our pupils become confident and responsible cyclists as they complete their final year of Primary education. The course covered Levels 1 and 2, where pupils learnt:

Level 1: Basic cycle control in a safe, off-road environment, including starting, stopping, pedaling, and checking their bikes and helmets.

Level 2: How to cycle safely on quiet roads, start and stop on-road, and manage short journeys with light traffic.

Congratulations to all our Year 6 pupils for their hard work and commitment! We are proud of their achievement and look forward to seeing them put these valuable life skills into practise.





School Photographs

The individual school photograph proofs have now been received by the School and have been provided to each child to take home this week. Orders will be limited to online ordering only, directly to Fraser Portraits via (<https://orderphotos.co.uk/welcome>), or over the phone at 01202 692433. You will be required to log in with your account details or enter your proof card identification/registration code to be able to make payments. Orders must be placed by **Tuesday 2nd December 2025** in order to receive free delivery back to the School.

Assessment Week

During the week commencing Monday 1st December 2025, the children in Years 1 to 5 will be undertaking their Rising Stars assessments. In order for us to help the children in their progress, it is extremely important that they attend school every day. Please also remember that a good breakfast is always essential for children before school, but in particular 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 the very best success in their tests!

Christmas Carolling Assemblies



We welcome all parents, guardians and carers to join the children in festive celebrations with lovely carolling from Wednesday 3rd to Friday 5th December 2025. Please check the calendar for the date of your child's celebration. Please note Christmas wreaths and table decorations will on sale after the assembly. We kindly ask that you arrive on time and refrain from circulating any photos or video on social media.

Alliance Food Bank Collection – Donating Items

Hewens Primary School have a long-standing connection with the Hillingdon Foodbank and as such, we would like to begin collecting items which could be donated over the Christmas break. Food donations will be organised through our House/Alliance system. The House that collects the most items will win a total of 200 alliance points. We would appreciate donations of any items from the list below:

- Cereals
- Soups
- Baked Beans
- Tinned Tomatoes
- Canned Meat
- Canned Fish
- Tinned Fruits
- Biscuits
- Sugar
- Pasta
- Tea or Coffee
- Toiletries
- Toilet Roll
- Fruit Juice
- Long Life Milk
- Rice
- Jam/Honey
- Dried Mashed Potatoes
- Tinned Potatoes
- Pudding e.g. rice pudding, custard
- Sauces/Gravy
- Treats e.g. chocolates and crisps
- Tinned Spaghetti
- Noodles
- Cleaning and Laundry Supplies

If you would like to donate any of these items, please send them into school with your child so that they can place them in the correct alliance area. All items should be handed in by **Friday 12th December**. Thank you.



Eagle Alliance



Falcon Alliance



Red Kite Alliance



Sparrowhawk Alliance

After-School Care - Contact Number

For any enquiries or updates regarding the After-School Care between 4:30 pm and 5:30 pm, please call **07950 853176**.

This number should be used if you need to inform us of changes to collection, late arrivals, or any urgent matters related to the wrap around care.

Flu Vaccinations - Monday 8th December 2025

**Prevent your child from being seriously ill this winter!
Vaccinating is crucial in protecting them and vulnerable friends and family from flu.**

NASAL VACCINE

No needles - just quick, painless, effective flu protection (contains gelatine)

OR

THE INJECTION

We offer a **PORK-FREE, GELATINE-FREE** injection considered a faith-friendly alternative.

Complete this form, even if you do not want the vaccine.

<https://nwl.schoolvaccination.uk/flu/2025/hillingdon>

On Monday 8th December, our local Immunisation Team will be revisiting us to offer the injection to those that didn't receive it on Monday 20th October 2025. If you would still like your child to receive the flu nasal vaccine or the injection, please complete the consent form via the link:

[\[https://nwl.schoolvaccination.uk/flu/2025/hillingdon\]](https://nwl.schoolvaccination.uk/flu/2025/hillingdon).

Primary School Admissions 2026

We would like to inform all parents, guardians and carers of children born between 1st September 2021 and 31st August 2022 that the closing date for applications for Primary School places to be received by the London Borough of Hillingdon is **15th January 2026**. To ensure your application arrives on time and in order to give your child the best possible chance of being offered the school of your choice, we would advise that you submit your applications prior to the Christmas holiday period.


Further information can be found on (www.hillingdon.gov.uk/primary). You will have received information with regard to applying for your child starting primary school via email however if you have any issues, please speak with the school office or the class teacher.


Safeguarding our Children

Please can all parents, guardians and carers be mindful of safeguarding and safety during drop off and collection times. It has been observed that some drivers are becoming reckless when driving down Hewens Road and parking directly outside the school gates in the "Keep Clear" section.

Please note these precautions and signage are in place to ensure the safety of all pedestrians and neighbours when outside the school courtyard. We ask everyone to continue to show consideration for pedestrians, pupils and neighbours during busy times.

Thank you for your support and cooperation with this.

		Week Commencing: <i>Monday 1st December</i>	
MENU 1			
MONDAY			
Meal Choice 1	Chicken Goujons with Homemade Oven Baked Potato Slices and Beans		Halal
Meal Choice 2	Chicken Goujons with Homemade Oven Baked Potato Slices and Beans		Non Halal
Meal Choice 3	Baked Jacket Potato with Various Fillings		Vegetarian
Dessert Choice	<i>Strawberry Ice Cream and Fresh Strawberries</i>	<i>Fresh Fruit and Yoghurts</i>	
TUESDAY			
Meal Choice 1	Spaghetti Bolognese		Halal
Meal Choice 2	Spaghetti Bolognese		Non Halal
Meal Choice 3	Ratatouille Spaghetti		Vegetarian
Dessert Choice	<i>Jam Sponge</i>	<i>Fresh Fruit and Yoghurts</i>	
WEDNESDAY			
Meal Choice 1	Chicken Tikka Masala with Rice		Halal
Meal Choice 2	Chicken Tikka Masala with Rice		Non Halal
Meal Choice 3	Macaroni Cheese		Vegetarian
Dessert Choice	<i>Lemon Tart</i>	<i>Fresh Fruit and Yoghurts</i>	
THURSDAY			
Meal Choice 1	Roast Turkey with Onion Gravy, Roast Potatoes and Stuffing		Halal
Meal Choice 2	Roast Turkey with Onion Gravy, Roast Potatoes and Stuffing		Non Halal
Meal Choice 3	Cauliflower and Broccoli Cheese Bake		Vegetarian
Dessert Choice	<i>Strawberry Jelly</i>	<i>Fresh Fruit and Yoghurts</i>	
FRIDAY			
Meal Choice 1	Fish Fingers with Oven Baked Potato Wedges		
Meal Choice 2	Tomato Pasta Bake		Vegetarian
Meal Choice 3	Vegetable Fingers with Oven Baked Potato Wedges		Vegetarian
Dessert Choice	<i>Fresh Fruit Salad</i>	<i>Fresh Fruit and Yoghurts</i>	
<i>Please note that all main meals are served with Fresh Vegetables of the Day</i>			

		DECEMBER 2025 TO JANUARY 2026	
DECEMBER			
Monday 1st to Friday 5th		Assessment Week	
Wednesday 3rd	9:15am	Reception - Christmas Carolling Assembly	
Thursday 4th	9:15am	Year 1 - Christmas Carolling Assembly	
	2:00pm	Year 2 - Christmas Carolling Assembly	
Friday 5th	9:15am	Years 5 and 6 - Christmas Carolling Assembly	
	2:00pm	Years 3 and 4 - Christmas Carolling Assembly	
Monday 8th		Flu Vaccination (2nd visit)	
Thursday 11th		Christmas Jumper Day (Themed Day)	
Thursday 11th	1:30pm	Christmas Carolling at Hillingdon Hospital	
Wednesday 17th		Christmas Dinner	
Friday 19th		Christmas Class Parties	
		End of Term - Early Dismissal	
JANUARY			
Monday 5th and Tuesday 6th	1:00 to 5:00pm	Parent Consultation	
Wednesday 7th		Term Begins	
Monday 12th		Junior Citizens Event - Year 6	
Monday 19th		Hearing & Vision Screening - Reception	