



Christmas Carolling Assemblies



Last week, our pupils and staff came together for our much-loved Christmas Carolling Assemblies. The hall was filled with festive cheer as each year group performed a selection of traditional carols and modern Christmas favourites. It was wonderful to see our pupils singing with such enthusiasm and confidence, creating a warm and joyful atmosphere for all who attended. Parents, guardians and carers thoroughly enjoyed the performances and joined in the festive spirit, making the occasion even more special for our pupils. Many commented on how beautifully the children sang and how uplifting the assemblies were at this busy time of year. The assemblies were a beautiful reminder of the importance of community, celebration and togetherness at this special time of year. We look forward to continuing this cherished tradition in the years to come and thank everyone who helped make the event such a memorable part of our festive calendar.





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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 **07950853176**. 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.

Christmas Meals - Wednesday 17th December

On Wednesday 17th December 2025, 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 Friday 19th December 2025 for each class. To keep everyone safe and minimise the risk of food contamination, we are kindly asking all parents, guardians and carers to ensure that each child brings in their individual snack bags (no nuts allowed). Please note children are required to wear full school uniform on this day.

End of Term - Friday 19th December

A reminder to all parents, guardians and carers that **Friday 19th December** is the last day of term. Children will be dismissed at staggered times starting from 11:30am. Please see the timings below:

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.



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#DoSomethingThisHoliday - Winter 2025/26



The Hillingdon Youth Offer Targeted Team has put together a fun-filled holiday programme. The Winter Wellbeing programme is designed to inspire creativity, build confidence, and promote well-being. Our young residents can take part in Winter Wellbeing Workshops – packed with activities like creative arts, sports, cooking, and personal development sessions to develop new skills, teamwork and wellbeing awareness. Fun activities for connection, creativity and wellness.

This is a fantastic opportunity for children and young people in Hillingdon to learn, connect, and create unforgettable memories. **Do not miss this enriching experience! Visit the link below to book your session:** (<https://rebrand.ly/DSTH/Winter2025>).

Parent Consultation

Parent consultation meetings will be held over a two-day period on **Monday 5th and Tuesday 6th January 2026**. Consultation times were sent out via letter this week.

Please be assured that we have taken into consideration families with more than one child and have allocated timeslots on the same afternoon to make this easier.

If this is not the case, please contact us via email and we will do our best to adjust your appointments. If you are unable to attend a face-to-face parent consultation meeting, teachers will make alternative arrangements via a telephone conference.

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 15th December</i>	
SPECIAL MENU 3			
MONDAY			
Meal Choice 1	Chicken Sausages with Mashed Potatoes and Onion Gravy	Halal	
Meal Choice 2	Chicken Sausages with Mashed Potatoes and Onion Gravy	Non Halal	
Meal Choice 3	Vegetarian Sausages with Mashed Potatoes and Onion Gravy	Vegetarian	
Dessert Choice	<i>Orange Jelly</i>	<i>Fresh Fruit and Yoghurts</i>	
TUESDAY			
Meal Choice 1	Beef Lasagne with Fresh Salad	Halal	
Meal Choice 2	Beef Lasagne with Fresh Salad	Non Halal	
Meal Choice 3	Vegetarian Lasagne with Fresh Salad	Vegetarian	
Dessert Choice	<i>Chocolate Mousse</i>	<i>Fresh Fruit and Yoghurts</i>	
WEDNESDAY - 'Christmas Meal'			
Meal Choice 1	Roast Norfolk Turkey with a Rich Onion Gravy	Halal	
Meal Choice 2	Roast Norfolk Turkey with a Rich Onion Gravy and a Pork Chipolata wrapped in Smoked Bacon	Non Halal	
Meal Choice 3	Mini Quiche Selections / Vegetable Goujons	Vegetarian	
Vegetables	Roasted Rosemary and Thyme Potatoes, Sage and Onion Stuffing, Yorkshire Pudding, Honey Glazed Baby Carrots and Baby Buttered Brussels Sprouts		
Dessert Choice	<i>Rich Chocolate Cake with a Caramel Fudge Sauce</i>	<i>Fresh Fruit and Yoghurts</i>	
THURSDAY			
Meal Choice 1	Cajun Chicken in Pitta Bread with Oven Cooked Potato Slices and Tomato Salsa	Halal	
Meal Choice 2	Cajun Chicken in Pitta Bread with Oven Cooked Potato Slices and Tomato Salsa	Non Halal	
Meal Choice 3	Roast Mediterranean Vegetables in Pitta Bread with Oven Cooked Potato Slices and Tomato Salsa	Vegetarian	
Meal Choice 4	Vignola Quinoa in Pitta Bread with Oven Cooked Potato Slices and Tomato Salsa		
Dessert Choice	<i>Vanilla Sponge with a Pineapple Fling and a Cherry</i>	<i>Fresh Fruit and Yoghurts</i>	
<i>Please note that all main meals are served with Fresh Vegetables of the Day</i>			

Term Dates – 2025 to 2026

The 2025 to 2026 term dates are detailed on our website and can be accessed via (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 2025 TO JANUARY 2026	
DECEMBER			
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 to Friday 23rd	Practice Papers - Phonics (Year 1) and SATs (Year 6)		
Monday 19th	Hearing & Vision Screening - Reception		
Wednesday 21st	Reception Pedestrian Training		
	Year 1 Pedestrian Training		
Monday 26th to Friday 30th	Life Base Education Workshops		