

Hobbledown Heath – Reception Trip



On Monday 22nd June, the Reception pupils had a fantastic time at Hobbledown Heath! They put their phonics into action by reading signs around the park, developed their gross motor skills as they climbed, balanced and explored the adventure play areas, and strengthened their friendships by taking turns and working together. They also enjoyed learning how to care for animals and why it is important to look after them. It was a fun-filled day packed with adventure, learning and lots of smiles!





Whipsnade Zoo – Year 2 Trip

The Year 2 pupils had a wonderful day at Whipsnade Zoo on Friday 19th June. This trip was linked to their Science topic, Living Things and Their Habitats - How do living things depend on each other? The pupils explored a range of animal habitats, were amazed by the butterflies and tropical creatures in the Butterfly House, enjoyed the exciting bird show and loved the train ride, where they spotted African animals including zebras, elephants and gazelles. They showed curiosity, enthusiasm and respect throughout the day, sharing their observations and asking thoughtful questions. The visit helped them develop a deeper understanding of how animals live and why it is important to protect their habitats.



Birthday Celebrations

We kindly ask parents, guardians and carers not to send birthday gift bags, party bags, sweets, cakes, or other treats into school for staff to distribute to pupils.

If you wish to celebrate your child's birthday with classmates, you are welcome to distribute any treats yourself after the school day has ended, with the consent of the other children's parents, guardians or carers. Thank you for your understanding and support in helping us maintain a safe and inclusive environment for all pupils.

Year 6 'Take Over the School Day'

On Monday 6th July 2026, parents, guardians, carers and children will be greeted by our 'Senior Leadership Team' of the day. Yes, we are letting our Year 6 pupils take over Hewens Primary for the morning! They will work in small groups to teach every class, from Nursery to Year 5. They will also take on key leadership roles across the school, showcasing their maturity, teamwork and communication skills. The Year 6 children are expected to come into school smartly dressed as teachers for the day. No jeans or casual clothing will be allowed.

Year 6 Picnic – Monday 6th July

The Year 6 pupils are invited for an afternoon picnic on Monday 6th July 2026. Each pupil should bring their own party plate and picnic blanket. Parents, guardians and carers are welcome to contribute food items towards the picnic. Please speak to the Year 6 staff if you are able to contribute any items such as pizzas, fruit juices, savouries, cakes or disposable cutlery. Thank you.

Transition Day

On Tuesday 7th July 2026, all pupils from Reception to Year 5 will have their Transition Day in their new class. They will get a taster of the expectations for the next school year, share some useful information that they would like their teacher to know about them and meet their new teacher(s).

Residential Trip

Wednesday 8th to Friday 10th July 2026, a group of Year 6 pupils will be attending their PGL trip at The Gordon Brown Centre in Hampshire.

