

Year 6 Residential Trip



From Wednesday 8th to Friday 10th July 2026, our Year 6 pupils enjoyed an exciting and rewarding residential visit to the Gordon Brown Outdoor Education Centre. During the three-day trip, pupils participated in a variety of outdoor adventure activities that encouraged them to challenge themselves, work collaboratively and develop their confidence, resilience and independence. The residential provided a wonderful opportunity for pupils to strengthen friendships, create lasting memories and prepare for their transition to secondary school. We were extremely proud of the excellent behaviour, enthusiasm and maturity shown by all of our Year 6 pupils, who were outstanding ambassadors throughout the visit. We would like to extend our sincere thanks to the staff who accompanied the trip for their dedication and support, and to our parents and carers for helping to make this memorable experience possible.







The Natural History Museum – Year 4 Trip



The Year 4 pupils enjoyed an exciting and memorable visit to the Natural History Museum, supported by their dedicated teachers and parent volunteers. The trip helped reinforce their learning concerning the topic 'Living Things and Their Habitats and Electricity' through interactive exhibits, fascinating specimens, impressive skeletons, and a major highlight was seeing the moving T-Rex dinosaur. The visit brought their classroom learning to life and created a fun, inspiring experience for all. A huge thank you to our wonderful parent volunteers for generously giving their time to support the visit.





Alliance Winners for 2025-26

This year's Academic House Alliance Challenge took on an exciting new twist, giving pupils the opportunity to accumulate points throughout the year for their attendance, positive behaviour, competition wins and academic performance. The Eagle, Falcon, Sparrowhawk, and Red Kite Alliances truly embodied the spirit of teamwork, throughout the school year.

Alliance / Academic House	Points
Falcon	8594
Eagle	7429
Sparrowhawk	11177
Red Kite	9180

A huge congratulations to **Sparrowhawk** for achieving the highest number of points this academic year!

Summer School Programme

Hewens Primary School will be hosting a two-day Summer School for pupils who are currently in Reception to Year 5. This will be held on Monday 20th and Tuesday 21st July, from 9:00am to 3:00pm. Unfortunately, we are not able to accommodate our current Nursery and Year 6 pupils. All parents, guardians and carers that signed up would have received a notification regarding the payment required online. If payment is not made, your booked slot will be automatically cancelled. If you need any assistance with this, please contact the School Office.

Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) Programme

Hillingdon HAF Programme

Easter ★ Summer ★ Winter

School holiday activities for children (Reception to Year 11) who receive benefits-related free school meals





This exciting programme is available to school-aged children from Reception to Year 11 who are eligible for benefits-related free school meals in Hillingdon.

Through the fully funded programme, children can:

- Enjoy healthy meals every day
- Take part in fun, creative, and physical activities
- Learn about food, cooking, and nutrition
- Develop new skills and make new friends

Full details of the programmes can be found on the webpage (<https://eequ.org/hillingdonhaf>).



**Eagle
Alliance**



**Falcon
Alliance**



**Red Kite
Alliance**



**Sparrowhawk
Alliance**

#DoSomethingThisHoliday (Summer 2026)

#DOSOMETHINGTHISSUMMER

The Hillingdon Youth Offer's Targeted Team is excited to offer a vibrant summer programme for your child's enjoyment and growth this summer.

Over three action-packed days, for Years 4 to 6 only, they will engage in various activities designed to build confidence, connections, and life skills in a safe and supportive environment.

Do not miss this enriching experience – sign up now and watch your child thrive! To get involved, visit (<https://rebrand.ly/HYO/DSTS/Summer2026>).

Parent Consultation Meetings for September

Parent consultation meetings will be held over a two-day period for the new academic year - Wednesday 2nd and Thursday 3rd September 2026. Parent consultation times can be found on the letter that will be sent out with the end of year reports.

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.

New Finish Times for September 2026

Please note that, from September 2026, our school hours have been slightly adjusted as follows:

Year Group	Start Time	End Time
Reception	8:35am	3:00pm
Year 1	8:35am	3:00pm
Year 2	8:35am	3:00pm
Year 3	8:35am	3:00pm
Year 4	8:35am	3:00pm
Year 5	8:35am	3:00pm
Year 6	8:35am	3:00pm
Morning Nursery	8:30am	11:30am
Afternoon Nursery	12:15pm	3:15pm

We kindly ask all parents and carers to ensure that children arrive promptly and are collected on time to support a smooth start and end to the school day. Thank you for your continued support.

Start of Term – Friday 4th September

Please be reminded that school commences on **Friday 4th September 2026** and will start at 8:35am for Reception to Year 6. It is essential that your children arrive on time as lessons will begin promptly.

It is extremely important that every child makes a positive start to the new term!

	Week Commencing: <i>Monday 31st August</i>
MENU 1	

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	
Dessert Choice	Fresh Fruit Salad	Fresh Fruit and Yoghurts
<i>Please note that all main meals are served with Fresh Vegetables of the Day</i>		

Term Dates – 2026 to 2027

AUTUMN TERM 2026

Staff Training: (Half day)	Wednesday 2nd September 2026 [Training – morning only] [Parent Consultation – afternoon and early evening]
Staff Training: (Half day)	Thursday 3rd September 2026 [Training – morning only] [Parent Consultation – afternoon and early evening]
Term Begins:	Friday 4th September 2026 (All year groups)
Half Term:	Monday 26th to Friday 30th October 2026
Term Ends:	Friday 18th December 2026

SPRING TERM 2027

Staff Training: (Half day)	Monday 4th January 2027 [Training – morning only] [Parent Consultation – afternoon and early evening]
Staff Training: (Half day)	Tuesday 5th January 2027 [Training – morning only] [Parent Consultation – afternoon and early evening]
Term Begins:	Wednesday 6th January 2027
Half Term:	Monday 15th to Friday 19th February 2027
Term Ends:	Thursday 25th March 2027

SUMMER TERM 2027

Staff Training: (Half day)	Monday 12th April 2027 [Training – morning only] [Parent Consultation – afternoon and early evening]
Staff Training: (Half day)	Tuesday 13th April 2027 [Training – morning only] [Parent Consultation – afternoon and early evening]
Term Begins:	Wednesday 14th April 2027
Bank Holiday:	Monday 3rd May 2027 (May Day)
Half Term:	Monday 31st May to Friday 4th June 2027
Term Ends:	Tuesday 20th July 2027
Staff Training:	Wednesday 21st July 2027
Staff Training:	Thursday 22nd July 2027

The 2026 to 2027 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.

			JULY TO SEPTEMBER 2026	
JULY				
Monday 20th to Tuesday 21st			Summer School Programme	
SEPTEMBER				
Wednesday 2nd		From 1:00pm	Parent Consultation Meetings	
Thursday 3rd		From 1:00pm		
Friday 4th			Term Begins	
Tuesday 8th			International Literacy Day	
Sunday 13th			Roald Dahl Day (Themed Day)	