

Nursery and Reception's First Week



We are delighted to welcome our Nursery and Reception children to Hewens Primary School. Their first week has been filled with excitement, discovery, and plenty of smiles as they begin their learning journey with us. We must commend them for the exuberance and resilience exhibited and how quickly they have settled into their classes! We would like to thank all parents, guardians, and carers for their continued support during this important transition. We look forward to a fantastic year ahead, filled with growth, discovery, achievement, and joyful learning.





Home Start Hillingdon - Family Support Volunteers Needed

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Are you a parent or grandparent?
Do you have 2-3 hours a week to spare?

Home Start Hillingdon is a local charity that supports families with young children who are facing challenges such as isolation, poor mental health, financial pressures, and difficulties managing day-to-day family life. Home Start Hillingdon are currently recruiting new volunteers and their exceptional 6-week training course, ongoing support, and thorough safety plans enable volunteers to feel safe and empowered to enable change for struggling families in Hillingdon. Volunteers say that their development programme has helped them achieve personal goals, including confidence building, upskilling, offering effective support, and knowledge of local services.

As a volunteer, you will support families experiencing challenges such as mental health difficulties, disability, multiple births, or social isolation. You will visit the family once a week for 2 to 3 hours over a period of up to six months, providing emotional support, practical assistance, and encouragement. By building a trusting relationship, you will help parents develop confidence, strengthen their support networks, and access relevant local services and community resources to improve their wellbeing and family life.

Every volunteer helps ensure that local children and families receive the practical and emotional support they need to give their children the best possible start in life. For more information visit: (<https://www.therosedalehewensacademytrust.co.uk/news-and-events/latest-news/home-start-hillingdon>)

Togetherness - Free online learning platform for parents, guardians and carers

We are pleased to share information about Togetherness, a free online learning platform that helps parents, guardians and carers build emotional wellbeing, confidence and positive relationships. Through a range of expert-led learning pathways, Togetherness provides practical advice and support on topics including child development, behaviour, special educational needs and disabilities (SEND), adolescent mental health, emotional resilience, and family relationships. Based on NHS-backed approaches, the programme offers accessible guidance that can help families navigate everyday challenges and support children to thrive both at home and in school. As part of the initiative available to local residents, families can access these valuable resources free of charge, helping to strengthen wellbeing and create healthier, happier communities. For more information visit: (<https://www.therosedalehewensacademytrust.co.uk/news-and-events-1/latest-news/togetherness>)

Reception Pick Up

Parents, guardians and carers, please note that from next week all the Reception children (Blossom and Cherry classes) will be dismissed at 3:00pm for the remainder of the year. Children should be collected promptly from the Main Hall entrance, where their dismissal takes place.

Updating Email Addresses

Please can all parents, guardians and carers ensure that we have an email address on the School system for both parents as we are currently sending out all communication via email. You can either email the School account (hewensprimary@trhat.org) with this information or fill out the contact details form at the School Office. Thank you very much for your cooperation.

Physical Education (PE)

Please be advised that pupils should arrive at school in their Physical Education (PE) kits on the day of their PE lesson; they will remain in their PE kits for the whole day and thus are not required to bring in their school uniforms.

Year Groups	Day of the Week for PE
Reception	Tuesday
Year 1	Monday
Year 2	Wednesday
Year 3	Thursday
Year 4	Friday
Year 5	Tuesday
Year 6	Thursday

Cashless System – Lunch, Wrap Around Care and Uniform Orders

We would like to remind all parents, guardians and carers about our cashless system which can be found via the link: (www.ipayimpact.co.uk/IPI/Account/LogOn). Our online payment facility allows you to pre-order your child's school meals, pre-book your child into Breakfast Club and After School Care and order school uniform directly and securely. If you are having any problems with your iPayimpact account, please contact the School Office for assistance. All uniform orders can be collected from the School Office by the parent, guardian or carer. If you need an exchange or refund, you can arrange this at the School Office. Please remember to return the item in the original packaging with the labels still attached. Exchanges may take a couple of days to process. Thank you for your patience at this time, while we process all orders.

Applying for Secondary School September 2026

We would like to inform all parents, guardians and carers of children born between 1st September 2015 and 31st August 2016 that the closing date for applications for Secondary School places to be received by the London Borough of Hillingdon is **31st October 2026**. You can apply for your child's secondary school at (www.hillingdon.gov.uk/secondary). You will receive information with regard to applying for your child starting secondary school shortly via email.

Reporting Absences

It is important to contact the School Office each morning before 9:00am if your child is absent from school. If your child has an appointment with the general practice (GP), dentist, or hospital, please bring in evidence to keep on your child's record. If you are unable to contact the office, we encourage you to send an email with this information to HPAttendance@trhat.org. All absences will be recorded as unauthorised unless evidence is provided.

Healthy Packed Lunches

We would like to thank all our families who continue to provide their children with healthy and nutritious packed lunches. As a reminder, we are a healthy eating school, and the following items are not permitted in packed lunches:

- Nuts
- Chocolate/chocolate biscuits, sweets or doughnuts
- Large packets of crisps
- Fizzy drinks

Thank you for your continued support.

Rosedale College Open Evening - Tuesday 15th September 2026

Choosing the right secondary school is an important decision, and we would be delighted to welcome you to Rosedale College's Open Evening. This is a fantastic opportunity for prospective students and their families to explore our inspiring learning environment, meet our dedicated staff and students, discover our wide range of academic and enrichment opportunities, and see first-hand how we support every learner to achieve success. Whether you are interested in our curriculum, facilities, extracurricular activities, or student support, our Open Evening will give you valuable insight into life at Rosedale College. We look forward to meeting you and helping you discover all that Rosedale College has to offer. **Book your spot here** (<https://www.rosedalecollege.uk/rosedale-college-open-evening-tuesday-15th-september-2026>)

