



## Autumn Term Dates September - December 2023

Please find below the Autumn Term dates for your reference. You will also find these dates published on the school website. The dates and times below are correct at the time of publication. However they may be subject to change due to unforeseen circumstances. In the event that we are required to alter these dates, we will make every effort to provide as much notice to parents and carers as possible.

Parents and carers are asked to refer to both the whole school events and dates for their child's year group when planning their diaries.

### Reminder – Holiday Dates

Date, Time & Venue	Event
<b>Monday 4th and Tuesday 5th September 2022</b>	<b>Teacher Training Days: School closed to all pupils.</b>
<b>Wednesday 6th September 2022</b>	<b>Pupils in Years 1 to 6 Return to School</b> <i>Nursery and Reception pupils will have received individual notification of the date they are to start school as pupils will join on a staggered start basis.</i>
<b>Friday 20th October 2023</b>	<b>Teacher Training Day: School closed to all pupils.</b>
<b>Monday 23rd to Friday 27th October 2023</b>	<b>Half Term Week: Pupils return to school on Monday 30th October.</b>
<b>Thursday 21st December 2023</b>	<b>Last Day Of The Autumn Term.</b> <i>Please note that school closes at 2.40pm. There will be no 4.30 Club on this day.</i>
<b>Monday 8th January 2024</b>	<b>Pupils Return to School: First day of the Spring term.</b>

### Whole School Events and Curriculum Information

Date, Time & Venue	Whole School Events and Curriculum Information
<b>Friday 15th September</b>	<b>'Ready, Set, Read' – Hillingdon Library Summer Reading Challenge</b> <i>All children are encouraged to take part in the London Borough of Hillingdon's summer reading challenge. More information can be found on their website at:</i> <a href="https://www.hillingdon.gov.uk/article/11395/Ready-Set-Read">https://www.hillingdon.gov.uk/article/11395/Ready-Set-Read</a> <i>To tie in with the summer reading scheme we will be running a competition to reward the class in each Key Stage that has read the most and also the pupils who have read the most in each class. Children will need to bring in evidence of their completion of the reading scheme by Friday 15th September for a special assembly the following week.</i>

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Tuesday 26th September	<b>European Day of Languages</b> <i>The European Day of Languages is an annual event held to celebrate the 6,000+ languages spoken around the world, promote language learning and have some multilingual fun. We will be celebrating the event throughout the week at school. If children would like to learn more about language diversity they can visit the <a href="#">EDL website</a> to access fun facts and activities.</i>
Week beginning Monday 16th October Online	<b>Parent Consultation Meetings</b> <i>Our autumn term parent consultation meetings are the first of two opportunities during the year for parents and carers to discuss their child's progress with the class teacher. Additional meetings may be arranged if required or requested by the class teacher or parent/carer. We will be holding the majority of meetings virtually, with parents/carers being given the opportunity to see their child/ren's books at year group parent drop-ins in the spring and summer terms.</i>
Week beginning Monday 6th November	<b>Anti-Bullying Workshops</b> <i>In preparation for Anti-Bullying Week (week beginning 13th November) pupils will be participating in Anti-Bullying Workshops delivered by OpenReach Education. Further information will be provided to parents.</i>
Week beginning Monday 6th November	<b>Scholastic Book Fair</b> <i>The Book Fair will be arriving in school week beginning 6th November bringing a wide range of children's books to browse and buy.</i>
Week beginning Monday 13th November	<b>National Anti-bullying Week and Odd Socks Day</b> <i>The theme this year is, 'Make A Noise About Bullying'. We will be exploring what bullying means to us, how banter can turn into something more hurtful, and what we can do to stop bullying. Together, we can make a difference and take a stand against bullying.</i> <i>We will mark the start of the week by participating in '<a href="#">Odd Socks Day</a>' on Monday 13th November: all children are encouraged to come to school in odd socks and we will be collecting donations in the playground at the start and end of the school day. For further information, please see the <a href="#">Anti-bullying Alliance website</a>.</i>
Monday 13th and Tuesday 14th November	<b>School Photos</b> <i>The school photographer will be taking individual and family photos. Please ensure your child / children attend school in full school uniform on these days.</i>
Friday 17th November	<b>Hillingdon Primary Day of Giving</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Harvest Festival:</b> <i>In the tradition of the UK Harvest Festival we will be collecting non-perishable food items to donate to Hillingdon Foodbank, who provide support to local families in need. Pupils are invited to bring items of non-perishable food into school on Friday 17th November. Please visit <a href="#">Donate food   Hillingdon Foodbank</a> for information and to see a list of the most urgently needed donations.</i></li> <li>• <b>Children in Need:</b> <i>All children are invited to wear one item of spotty clothing with their uniform to show their support for <a href="#">Children in Need</a>. We will be collecting donations in the playground at the start and end of the school day to allow families to donate to this worthy cause if they wish.</i></li> </ul>

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Friday 1st December	<b>Non-Uniform Day</b> <i>We will be holding a non-uniform day on Friday 1st December to raise donations for our Christmas Fayre stalls. We are asking pupils to donate either:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Chocolate or sweets in their original wrappings to go on our tombola stall (please check the ingredients to ensure items do not contain nuts); or</li> <li>A small gift that will make a suitable present for an adult family member. These gifts will be available for pupils to purchase at the Fayre.</li> </ul>
Monday 4th and Tuesday 5th December	<b>Nasal Flu Vaccinations</b> <i>The school vaccination team will be in school administering the nasal flu vaccine. Vaccines will not be administered without parental consent: further information will be provided to parents in advance.</i>
Weeks beginning Monday 11th and 18th December	<b>RE Week</b> <i>RE week provides an opportunity for children to learn about what other people believe and discuss their own beliefs based on the themes that might arise from the Christian festival of Christmas.</i>
Tuesday 12th December Reception & KS1: 2.15pm KS2: 3.15pm Main hall	<b>Christmas Fayre</b> <i>The school hall will be transformed into a traditional Christmas Market, where our children will sell their carefully made crafts to raise money for additional school resources. Refreshments will also be available, along with our popular parent/carer gifts, tombola and raffle stalls. Further information regarding how our parent and carer community can get involved in the Fayre, including providing assistance on the day, will be provided.</i> <b>Please note:</b> So that everyone can enjoy the Fayre and the hall does not become too overcrowded, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 pupils can be collected at the earlier time of 2.15pm, siblings in KS2 can also be collected at this time. The doors will open to all KS2 pupils without siblings in the younger years from 3.15pm.
Tuesday 19th December	<b>HPS Festive Celebration</b> <i>Children and staff will be celebrating the festive season together.</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All children are invited to attend school wearing their favourite festive jumper (or a top in festive colours: green, red or gold.)</li> <li>Our school meals provider, Dolce, will be serving up a traditional Christmas Lunch (this must be pre-booked). Children having packed lunches are encouraged to bring a festive treat to join in the special occasion.</li> <li>Children will finish the day with a fun afternoon playing traditional party games at their class parties.</li> </ul>
Thursday 21st December 2pm onwards	<b>Songs on the Playground</b> <i>All parents, carers, family and friends of Hillingdon Primary School are warmly invited to join us for singing on the last day of term.</i>
Thursday 21st December 2.40pm	<b>Last Day of Term</b> <i>Please note that school will finish at 2.40pm on this day. A reminder that there will be no 4.30 Club. All pupils should be collected by 2.40pm.</i>

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## Dates for Nursery

Date, Time & Venue	Nursery Events
Friday 3rd November 9.30am School Hall	<b>Open Day – Reception 2024</b> <i>An opportunity for prospective pupils and their parents / carers to visit the school, see pupils in action and meet key members of staff. Attendance at our Open Day <b>must</b> be pre-booked. Please visit the school website <a href="#">here</a> for further details.</i>
Thursday 16th November 9.30am School Hall	<b>Open Day – Reception 2024</b> <i>Another opportunity for prospective pupils and their parents / carers to visit the school, see pupils in action and meet key members of staff. Attendance at our Open Day <b>must</b> be pre-booked. Please visit the school website <a href="#">here</a> for further details.</i>
Week beginning Monday 20th November	<b>Nursery Shared Learning Sessions</b> <i>Parents and carers are invited to join their children in nursery to find out more about how pupils learn in Nursery and gain an insight into what their child does during an average Nursery session. A letter will be sent to parents / carers providing further information.</i>
Wednesday 6th December 9.30am School Hall	<b>Open Day – Reception 2024</b> <i>A final opportunity for prospective pupils and their parents / carers to visit the school, see pupils in action and meet key members of staff. Attendance at our Open Day <b>must</b> be pre-booked. Please visit the school website <a href="#">here</a> for further details.</i>

## Dates for Reception

Date, Time & Venue	Reception Events
Wednesday 29th and Thursday 30th November	<b>Reception Shared Learning Session - Reading Focus</b> <i>Parents and carers will be invited to join their children for a shared learning session in Reception. Further information, including the session date and time for each parent, will be provided by class teachers.</i>
Tuesday 19th and Wednesday 20th December 9am School Hall	<b>Reception's Christmas Songs</b> <i>Parents, carers, and family of children in Reception are invited into school to listen to the children singing some of their favourite festive songs. As this is always a popular event, pupils will perform on two mornings and parents / carers will be able to choose the day they attend. Further information will be provided closer to the event.</i>

## Dates for Year 1

Date, Time & Venue	Year 1 Events
Monday 11th September 3.30pm	<b>Year 1 Parents' Meeting</b> <i>Parents and carers are invited to meet the Year 1 teaching team and learn more about the year ahead.</i>
Friday 8th December	<b>Year 1 Trip to the Look Out Discovery Centre</b> <i>Year 1 will have the opportunity to enhance their science learning during this fantastic trip to the Look Out Discovery Centre in Bracknell. They will attend an engaging workshop where they will be introduced to their spring unit of Animals, Including Humans.</i>

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Wednesday 13th December 9am School Hall	<b>Year 1's Christmas Songs</b> <i>Parents, carers, and family of children in Year 1 are invited into school to listen to the children singing some of their favourite festive songs.</i>

## Dates for Year 2

Date, Time & Venue	Year 2 Events
Tuesday 12th September 3.30pm	<b>Year 2 Parents' Meeting</b> <i>Parents and carers are invited to meet the Year 2 teaching team and learn more about the year ahead.</i>
Thursday 14th December 9am School Hall	<b>Class 2D Nativity</b> <i>Parents, carers, and families of children in class 2D are warmly invited to attend their special assembly where children will be retelling the story of the nativity.</i>
Friday 15th December 9am School Hall	<b>Class 2A Nativity</b> <i>Parents, carers, and families of children in class 2A are warmly invited to attend their special assembly where children will be retelling the story of the nativity.</i>
Monday 18th December 9am School Hall	<b>Class 2L Nativity</b> <i>Parents, carers, and families of children in class 2L are warmly invited to attend their special assembly where children will be retelling the story of the nativity.</i>

## Dates for Year 3

Date, Time & Venue	Year 3 Events
Wednesday 13th September 3.30pm	<b>Year 3 Parents' Meeting</b> <i>Parents and carers are invited to meet the Year 3 teaching team and learn more about the year ahead.</i>
Monday 2nd October	<b>Metropolitan Police Talk</b> <i>The Metropolitan Police will be speaking to pupils in Year 3 about the role of the Police and how they help people.</i>

## Dates for Year 4

Date, Time & Venue	Year 4 Events
Thursday 14th September 3.30pm	<b>Year 4 Parents' Meeting</b> <i>Parents and carers are invited to meet the Year 4 teaching team and learn more about the year ahead.</i>
Monday 2nd October	<b>Metropolitan Police Talk</b> <i>The Metropolitan Police will be speaking to pupils in Year 4 about personal safety and alerting them to the dangers of speaking to strangers.</i>

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Thursday 7th December	<b>Arctic, Sea Ice and Climate Workshop</b> <i>Pupils will explore the Arctic polar climate and sea ice in 3D with GeoBus. They will learn more about climate change, why it is happening and the effects of a warming world. They will then look at the impact it is having in the Arctic.</i>

## Dates for Year 5

Date, Time & Venue	Year 5 Events
Monday 18th September 3.30pm	<b>Year 5 Parents' Meeting</b> <i>Parents and carers are invited to meet the Year 5 teaching team and learn more about the year ahead.</i>
Tuesday 3rd October	<b>Metropolitan Police Talk</b> <i>The Metropolitan Police will be speaking to pupils in Year 5 about staying safe online.</i>

## Dates for Year 6

Date, Time & Venue	Year 6 Events
Tuesday 19th September 3.30pm	<b>Year 6 Parents' Meeting</b> <i>Parents and carers are invited to meet the Year 6 teaching team and learn more about the year ahead.</i>
Tuesday 19th September 4pm School Hall	<b>Year 6 PGL Meeting</b> <i>This is a meeting for pupils and their parents / carers attending the PGL trip at the end of September. Most of the information will already have been provided; this meeting will give us the opportunity to clarify any last minute details and check we have all the required medical information.</i>
Monday 25th to Friday 29th September	<b>Year 6 PGL Trip</b> <i>Pupils in Year 6 will be attending their residential trip at PGL Liddington in Wiltshire. A list of events has also been provided to those pupils staying at school this week.</i> <b>Note:</b> We are aware that some secondary schools may hold their open evenings during PGL week. Please contact the secondary schools directly should you wish to arrange an alternative time and date for you to visit with your child. Most are happy to accommodate this. Please notify the school office in advance if this visit is to take place during the school day and authorised leave will be granted.
Tuesday 3rd October	<b>Metropolitan Police Talk</b> <i>The Metropolitan Police will be speaking to pupils in Year 6 about their 'Future Life,' to raise awareness of the dangers of knife crime, gangs and drugs.</i>
Friday 13th October 9am School Hall	<b>PGL Assembly</b> <i>Year 6 parents, carers and family are warmly invited to attend an assembly to celebrate the achievements of those children who attended PGL.</i>
Tuesday 31st October	<b>Deadline for Applications to Secondary School</b> <i>Further information regarding applying to secondary school will be provided to Year 6 parents and carers at the start of the Autumn Term. More information will also be available on the <a href="#">London Borough of Hillingdon</a> website.</i>

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## **Sports Events - Physical Education (PE) and Personal Development Curriculum**

Further information will be made available to students participating in the sporting events listed closer to the date of the competition. Students are selected to represent the school based on their performance during PE lessons and lunchtime sport zone sessions.

<b>Date, Time &amp; Venue</b>	<b>Sport Event</b>
<b>Wednesday 11th October Hillingdon Abbots Football Club</b>	<b>KS2 Girls Football Festival</b>
<b>Monday 16th October</b>	<b>Year 3 and 4 Targeted Rugby Festival</b>
<b>Thursday 19th October Oakwood School</b>	<b>Panathlon</b>
<b>Friday 3rd November</b>	<b>Year 3 and 4 QPR Best Team Football Competition</b>
<b>Saturday 4th November</b>	<b>Uxbridge and District Packham Cup Tournament (Football)</b>
<b>Friday 10th November 3.30pm - Eastcote</b>	<b>Borough Quick Sticks Hockey Competition</b>
<b>Thursday 16th November</b>	<b>Uxbridge and District Girls' Football Tournament</b>
<b>Friday 17th November Pield Heath House (AM)</b>	<b>Boccia Festival</b>
<b>Thursday 23rd November Swakeleys School</b>	<b>Borough Sports Hall Athletics Competition</b>
<b>Friday 24th November</b>	<b>QPR B&amp;C Best Team Football Competition</b>
<b>Friday 8th December</b>	<b>Year 5 and 6 QPR Best Team Football Competition</b>
<b>Wednesday 13th December Barnhill Community High School</b>	<b>Change for Life Festival</b>

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