



## Spring Term Dates January – March 2024

Please find below the Spring 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 – Term and Holiday Dates

Date, Time & Venue	Term Dates
Monday 8th January	<b>Students Return to School</b> <i>First day of the Spring term.</i>
Monday 12th to Friday 16th February	<b>Half Term Week</b> <i>Year 6 parents please see year group dates for information relating to half term booster school.</i>
Thursday 28th March	<b>Last Day Of The Spring Term</b> <i>Please note that school closes at 2.40pm. There will be no 4.30 Club on this day.</i> <i>Year 6 parents please see year group dates for information relating to Easter booster school.</i>
Friday 29th March	<b>Bank Holiday (Good Friday): School Closed to Pupils</b>
Monday 15th April	<b>Students Return to School</b> <i>First day of the Summer term.</i>

Please be reminded that we are unable to authorise term time absences apart from in very exceptional circumstances.

## Whole School Events and Curriculum Information

Date, Time & Venue	Whole School Events and Curriculum Information
Tuesday 6th February	<b>Safer Internet Day - Personal Development Curriculum</b> <i>Safer Internet Day is celebrated annually in over 100 countries. This year's theme is 'Inspiring change? Making a difference, managing influence and navigating change online.' The focus will be pupils' perspective on new and emerging technology; using the internet to make change for the better; the changes pupils want to see online; and the things that can influence and change the way pupils think, feel and act online and offline. Further information will be published to parents closer to the date. In the meantime if you wish to learn more please visit the <a href="#">UK Safer Internet Centre</a> website.</i>
Thursday 7th March	<b>World Book Day - Celebrating Reading</b> <i>We will be celebrating <a href="#">World Book Day</a>. Pupils are encouraged to dress up as a character from one of the books they have been studying / reading for pleasure with their class teachers. Further information will be shared with parents / carers closer to the date.</i>
Friday 8th to Sunday 17th March	<b>British Science Week</b> <i>This year marks the 30th anniversary of the very first British Science Week: a ten-day celebration of science, technology, engineering and maths. To learn more about the activities on offer please visit: <a href="https://www.britishscienceweek.org/">https://www.britishscienceweek.org/</a></i>
Friday 15th March	<b>Red Nose Day - Personal Development Curriculum: An opportunity for pupils to be part of a national community event and make a difference to others.</b> <i>Students will be raising awareness and funds for <a href="#">Comic Relief</a>: a charity event which combines comedy and entertainment to raise money to help vulnerable people in both the UK and the world's poorest countries. All children are invited to wear one item of red clothing (please avoid team shirts) with their school uniform. We will be collecting money for Red Nose Day in the playground at the start and end of the school day should you wish to donate to this worthy cause.</i>
Week beginning Monday 18th March	<b>Parent Consultation Appointments</b> <i>Further information to follow closer to the date.</i>
Weeks beginning Monday 18th and 25th March	<b>Religious Education Weeks - Religious Education</b> <i>RE weeks provide 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 Easter.</i>
Thursday 21st March	<b>World Poetry Day - Celebrating Reading</b> <i>Children and staff will share some of their favourite poems from around the world to mark this special day recognised by the United Nations' Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation. For more information please visit <a href="http://www.un.org/en/events/poetryday/">http://www.un.org/en/events/poetryday/</a></i>
Wednesday 20th March 2.00 - 3.00pm School Hall	<b>Metropolitan Police Parents' Internet Safety Presentation - to support the school's Computing and Personal Development Curriculum.</b> <i>We are working in partnership with parents/carers to ensure our pupils are fully informed on this important subject. The Metropolitan Police will be leading a presentation to parents of all pupils on internet safety. Further information to follow.</i>
Wednesday 27th March	<b>Easter Egg Raffle - Community Fundraising</b> <i>Further information regarding donations and the purchase of raffle tickets will be provided closer to the date.</i>

## Dates for Nursery

Date, Time & Venue	Nursery Events
Monday 15th January	<b>Closing Date for Applications for a Primary School Place</b> <i>To give your child the best possible chance of being offered their preferred school, please ensure your application is submitted to the London Borough of Hillingdon on time. Hillingdon council can not be held responsible for any delays in the post or problems with internet providers; we would therefore recommend that you submit your application by <b>Friday 12 January 2024</b> to ensure it is received on time. For further information please visit: <a href="https://www.hillingdon.gov.uk/primary">https://www.hillingdon.gov.uk/primary</a></i>
Week beginning Monday 4th March	<b>Shared Learning Sessions</b> <i>Parents/carers will be invited to attend nursery (morning and afternoon session) with their child. Further details will be provided closer to the date.</i>

## Dates for Reception

Date, Time & Venue	Reception Events
Week beginning Monday 5th February	<b>Shared Learning</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/carer, will be provided by class teachers.</i>
Thursday 7th March 2.30pm Classrooms	<b>Reception Teddy Bears' Picnic - Celebrating Reading</b> <i>As part of our World Book Day celebrations, parents/carers/grandparents are invited to join their children in class for a special reading afternoon. Pupils will be encouraged to bring a favourite teddy and settle down to enjoy a story with an adult. Further information will be made available to parents/carers closer to the date.</i>
Friday 8th March 9am School Hall	<b>Class RH Special Assembly - Personal Development Curriculum</b> <i>Parents, carers, family and friends of children in class RH are welcome and invited to attend a special themed assembly: Mothers' Day and special people who care for us.</i>
Monday 11th March 2.40pm School Hall	<b>Class RA Special Assembly - Personal Development Curriculum</b> <i>Parents, carers, family and friends of children in class RA are welcome and invited to attend a special themed assembly: Mothers' Day and special people who care for us.</i>
Tuesday 12th March 2.40pm School Hall	<b>Class RM Special Assembly - Personal Development Curriculum</b> <i>Parents, carers, family and friends of children in class RM are welcome and invited to attend a special themed assembly: Mothers' Day and special people who care for us.</i>

## Dates for Year 1

Date, Time & Venue	Year 1 Events
Friday 26th January 2.40pm School Hall	<b>Phonics and Reading Workshop for Parents and Carers - Reading Curriculum</b> <i>Parents/carers are invited to attend a workshop to learn more about the national Phonics Screening test that Year 1 children sit in the summer term and how they can support their children with Phonics and Reading at home.</i>

Date, Time & Venue	Year 1 Events
Monday 18th March 8.15 - 8.45am School Hall	<b>Year 1 Parents'/Carers' Drop-in - Children sharing their work with their family</b> <i>This is an opportunity for parents/carers to look at their child's books with their child ahead of parent consultation meetings. These drop-in sessions are open to ALL parents/carers. Pupils should attend with their parent/carer to talk about their work and explain what they have been learning during the spring term.</i>

## Dates for Year 2

Date, Time & Venue	Year 2 Events
Friday 23rd February	<b>Year 2 Trip to Kew Gardens - Science Curriculum</b> <i>Year 2 pupils will be visiting Kew Gardens to support and enhance their Science knowledge around the topic of plants. Further information to follow.</i>
Friday 15th March 8.15 - 8.45am School Hall	<b>Year 2 Parents'/Carers' Drop-in - Children sharing their work with their family</b> <i>This is an opportunity for parents/carers to look at their child's books with their child ahead of parent consultation meetings. These drop-in sessions are open to ALL parents/carers. Pupils should attend with their parent/carer to talk about their work and explain what they have been learning during the spring term.</i>

## Dates for Year 3

Date, Time & Venue	Year 3 Events
Wednesday 28th February	<b>Year 3 Trip to the Verulamium Museum - History Curriculum</b> <i>Year 3 pupils will be visiting the Verulamium Museum to enhance their understanding of life in Roman times. They will have a unique opportunity to handle real Roman artefacts that were discovered during excavations close to the museum in Verulamium Park and take part in workshops to enhance their learning.</i>
Thursday 14th March 8.15 - 8.45am School Hall	<b>Year 3 Parents'/Carers' Drop-in - Children sharing their work with their family</b> <i>This is an opportunity for parents/carers to look at their child's books with their child ahead of parent consultation meetings. These drop-in sessions are open to ALL parents/carers. Pupils should attend with their parent/carer to talk about their work and explain what they have been learning during the spring term.</i>

## Dates for Year 4

Date, Time & Venue	Year 4 Events
Thursday 8th February	<b>Year 4 Egyptian Day - History Curriculum</b> <i>Students in Year 4 will take part in various creative tasks which will allow them to use their imagination and build on their historical knowledge of this time period. We would like children to dress up as Ancient Egyptians so they can have the opportunity to immerse themselves into the Ancient Egyptian way of life. The Year 4 team will share further information with parents and carers via a letter including information about easy to make costumes.</i>

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<b>Wednesday 13th March</b> <b>8.15 - 8.45am</b> <b>School Hall</b>	<b>Year 4 Parents'/Carers' Drop-in - Children sharing their work with their family</b> <i>This is an opportunity for parents/carers to look at their child's books with their child ahead of parent consultation meetings. These drop-in sessions are open to ALL parents/carers. Pupils should attend with their parent/carer to talk about their work and explain what they have been learning during the spring term.</i>

## Dates for Year 5

Date, Time & Venue	Year 5 Events
<b>Monday 15th January</b>	<b>Victorian Day - History Curriculum</b> <i>Children in Year 5 will spend the day looking at life in Victorian Britain as part of their local history study: this will include a re-enactment of a Victorian school room and taking part in traditional Victorian school activities. All children in Year 5 should be dressed in Victorian school costumes. Teachers will discuss costumes with pupils prior to the event to support them with dressing up.</i>
<b>Friday 2nd February</b>	<b>Year 5 Young Voices Performance at Wembley - Music and Personal Development Curriculum</b> <i>All Year 5 children were given the option to join our Young Voices choir, and we now have a group of 30 children who have had weekly lunchtime practices during which they have been working hard to learn a variety of songs to perform with other schools from across the country. This is a very exciting opportunity for our children! More information to follow regarding arrangements for the day.</i>
<b>Weeks beginning Monday 11th and Monday 18th March</b>	<b>Year 5 Swimming - Physical Education Curriculum</b> <i>Pupils will attend daily swimming lessons at Hillingdon Leisure Centre pool for these two weeks. Pupils will require the following kit: a one-piece swimsuit (girls) or swimming trunks (boys), a pair of goggles and a towel. Pupils with mid to long hair will also need to wear a swimming cap. Please refer to the letter sent home to parents and carers for full details.</i>
<b>Tuesday 12th March</b> <b>8.15 - 8.45am</b> <b>School Hall</b>	<b>Year 5 Parents'/Carers' Drop-in - Children sharing their work with their family</b> <i>This is an opportunity for parents/carers to look at their child's books with their child ahead of parent consultation meetings. These drop-in sessions are open to ALL parents/carers. Pupils should attend with their parent/carer to talk about their work and explain what they have been learning during the spring term.</i>
<b>Wednesday 27th March</b> <b>2.00 to 3.00pm</b> <b>School Hall</b>	<b>Metropolitan Police Parents' Child Exploitation, Grooming and County Lines Presentation - to support the school's Personal Development Curriculum.</b> <i>To help to keep our pupils safe, the Metropolitan Police will be doing a workshop for parents and carers of Year 5 and 6 pupils on child exploitation and grooming (including county lines, knife crime, gangs and drugs). Further information to follow.</i> <b><i>Please note that due to the content of this presentation it is not suitable for children to attend.</i></b>

## Dates for Year 6

Date, Time & Venue	Year 6 Events
Tuesday 16th January 5pm School Hall	<b>Year 6 Parents'/Carers' SATs Meeting</b> <i>Parents and carers of children in Year 6 are encouraged to attend this meeting to learn more about the tests that take place in May.</i>
Week beginning Monday 22nd January	<b>Year 6 Practice SATs Week</b> <i>Students in Year 6 will sit some SATs style tests to prepare for SATs week in May.</i>
Monday 12th and Tuesday 13th February	<b>February Half-Term Booster School</b> <i>Selected students in year 6 will be invited to extra tuition sessions on these two days during the half term break. Details of these sessions will be provided to those selected. We would encourage parents/carers to liaise with their child's class teacher before making plans to go away during this period to ensure their child does not miss out on any additional support.</i>
Tuesday 20th February	<b>Class 6C Battle of Britain Bunker Trip - History and Geography Curriculum</b> <i>Pupils in class 6C will be visiting the Battle of Britain Bunker in Uxbridge to further develop their knowledge of World War II and enhance the delivery of their History and Geography curriculums this term.</i>
Thursday 22nd February	<b>Class 6J and 6B Battle of Britain Bunker Trip - History and Geography Curriculum</b> <i>Pupils in classes 6J and 6B will be visiting the Battle of Britain Bunker in Uxbridge to further develop their knowledge of World War II and enhance the delivery of their History and Geography curriculums this term.</i>
Friday 1st March	<b>Secondary School Offer Day</b> <i>Students in Year 6 will receive their offers of a place at secondary school. You will receive an email on the evening of 1 March 2023 with the outcome of your application. You will then be required to log into your eAdmissions account to accept or decline your offer by <b>Friday 15 March 2023. Important: You must accept the offer to secure the school place. If you do not accept by the 15 March 2024, the offer may be withdrawn.</b> For more information please visit the London Borough of Hillingdon website: <a href="http://www.hillingdon.gov.uk/secondary">http://www.hillingdon.gov.uk/secondary</a></i>
Tuesday 5th March Brunel University	<b>Year 6 Junior Citizens Event</b> <i>Year 6 children will take part in a range of engaging scenarios to learn invaluable life skills, ranging from staying safe on public transport to how to react to a fire at home.</i>
Monday 11th March 8.15 - 8.45am School Hall	<b>Year 6 Parents'/Carers' Drop-in - Children sharing their work with their family</b> <i>This is an opportunity for parents/carers to look at their child's books with their child ahead of parent consultation meetings. These drop-in sessions are open to ALL parents/carers. Pupils should attend with their parent/carer to talk about their work and explain what they have been learning during the spring term.</i>
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Thursday 11th and Friday 12th April	<b>Easter Holiday Booster School</b> <i>Selected students in year 6 will be invited to extra tuition sessions during the Easter break. Details of these sessions will be provided to those selected. We would encourage parents/carers to liaise with their child's class teacher before making plans to go away during this period to ensure their child does not miss out on any additional support.</i>

## **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.

Date, Time & Venue	Sport Event
Thursday 18th January	Primary Racket Pack Festival (Badminton)
Tuesday 23rd January	Inclusive Table Cricket Competition
Wednesday 24th January	Year 3 and 4 Girls' Borough Football Finals
Thursday 1st February 1pm - 5pm Uxbridge College	3v3 Borough Basketball Tournament
Wednesday 7th February	Borough Aspire Netball Competition
Friday 9th February	Inclusive New Age Kurling Competition (Years 3 and 4)
Saturday 24th February Ryefield Primary School	Uxbridge and District Girls' Netball Rally
Saturday 2nd March Ryefield Primary School	District Mixed Netball Rally
Monday 4th March	Borough Year 5 and 6 Girls' Netball Finals
Tuesday 5th March	Year 5 and 6 Athletics Competition
Friday 8th March	Biggest Ever Football Session (Celebrating Girls' Football)
Wednesday 13th March	Year 5 and 6 Aspire Tag Rugby Competition
Thursday 14th March Ryefield Primary School	District Boys' Netball Rally
Monday 18th March	Uxbridge and District Cross Country Competition (Years 4 to 6)
Friday 22nd March	Inclusive Sitting Volleyball Competition
Wednesday 27th March	Panathlon Multi-skill Football Festival