



Spring Term Dates January – March 2025

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.

We would also like to take this opportunity to remind parents and carers that we are unable to authorise term time absences apart from in very exceptional circumstances. Please see the School Attendance Policy for further information.

Reminder – Term and Holiday Dates

Date, Time & Venue	Term Dates
Monday 6th January	Students Return to School <i>First day of the Spring term.</i>
Monday 17th to Friday 21st February	Half Term Week <i>Year 6 parents please see Year 6 dates for information relating to booster school.</i>
Friday 4th April	Last Day Of The Spring Term <i>Please note that school closes at 1.40pm. There will be no 4.15 Club on this day.</i> <i>Year 6 parents please see Year 6 dates for information relating to booster school.</i>
Monday 21st April	Bank Holiday (Easter Monday): School Closed to Pupils
Tuesday 22nd April	Students Return to School <i>First day of the Summer term.</i>

Whole School Events and Curriculum Information

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Monday 3rd February	Key Stage 2 Author Visit - Philip Kavvadias - Celebrating Reading <i>Author of the Mission trilogy, Philip Kavvadias, will be meeting pupils from years 3 to 6 to talk about his work. Further information to follow to parents.</i>

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Tuesday 11th February	<p>Safer Internet Day - Personal Development Curriculum <i>Safer Internet Day is celebrated annually in over 100 countries. This year's theme is 'Too good to be true? Protecting yourself and others from scams online.' Pupils will focus on how to protect themselves and others from online scams: they will look at the role of AI and what support is available to them. Further information will be published to parents closer to the date. In the meantime if you wish to learn more please visit the UK Safer Internet Centre website.</i></p>
Friday 28th February	<p>Key Stage 1 and 2 Author visit - Sufiya Ahmed - Celebrating Reading <i>We are delighted to be welcoming author and campaigner Sufiya Ahmed to the school ahead of World Book Day to share tales and stories linked to some of the books she has written. Further information about this visit will be circulated early in the Spring term.</i></p>
Thursday 6th March	<p>World Book Day - Celebrating Reading <i>We will be celebrating World Book Day. 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></p>
Friday 7th to Sunday 16th March	<p>British Science Week <i>British Science Week is a ten-day celebration of science, technology, engineering and maths. To learn more about the activities on offer, and the campaign to 'smash stereotypes' in science, please visit: https://www.britishscienceweek.org/</i></p>
Monday 10th March 2.15 - 3.15pm School Hall	<p>Metropolitan Police Parents' Internet Safety Presentation - to support the school's Computing and Personal Development Curriculum. <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 pupils in Years 1 to 6 on internet safety. Further information to follow.</i></p>
w/c Monday 17th March	<p>Scholastic Book Fair <i>The Book Fair will be arriving in school week beginning 17th March bringing a wide range of children's books to browse and buy. Further information will be provided to parents and carers.</i></p>
Friday 21st March	<p>Red Nose Day - Personal Development Curriculum: An opportunity for pupils to be part of a national community event and make a difference to others. <i>Students will be raising awareness and funds for Comic Relief: 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></p>
Friday 21st March	<p>World Poetry Day - Celebrating Reading <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 http://www.un.org/en/events/poetryday/</i></p>
Week beginning Monday 24th March	<p>Parent Consultation Appointments <i>Further information to follow closer to the date.</i></p>

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Weeks beginning Monday 24th and 31st March	Religious Education Weeks - Religious Education <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>
Wednesday 2nd April	Easter Egg Raffle - Community Fundraising <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
Wednesday 15th January	Closing Date for Applications for a Primary School Place <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 Monday 13th January 2025 to ensure it is received on time. For further information please visit: https://www.hillingdon.gov.uk/primary</i>
Week beginning Monday 3rd March	Shared Learning Sessions <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
Thursday 16th January	Librarian Visit to Reception - Celebrating Reading <i>The librarian from Oak Farm library will be visiting Reception pupils for a special story-time experience.</i>
Week beginning Monday 3rd February	Shared Learning <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 6th March 2.30pm Classrooms	Reception Teddy Bears' Picnic - Celebrating Reading <i>As part of our World Book Day celebrations, pupils are invited to bring a teddy to school and enjoy a reading picnic with their class.</i>
Wednesday 26th March 2.40pm Class RA	Class RA Reading Afternoon Tea <i>Parents and carers of pupils in RA are requested to keep this afternoon free for a special reading event with their child. Further information to follow in the spring term.</i>

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Thursday 27th March 2.40pm Class RH	Class RH Reading Afternoon Tea <i>Parents and carers of pupils in RH are requested to keep this afternoon free for a special reading event with their child. Further information to follow in the spring term.</i>
Friday 28th March 2.40pm Class RM	Class RM Reading Afternoon Tea <i>Parents and carers of pupils in RM are requested to keep this afternoon free for a special reading event with their child. Further information to follow in the spring term.</i>

Dates for Year 1

Date, Time & Venue	Year 1 Events
Friday 24th January 2.40pm School Hall	Phonics and Reading Workshop for Parents and Carers - Reading Curriculum <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>
Monday 24th March 8.15 - 8.45am School Hall	Year 1 Parents'/Carers' Drop-in - Children sharing their work with their family <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 7th March	Year 2 Trip to Kew Gardens - Science Curriculum <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>
Monday 10th March	Metropolitan Police Workshops - Personal Development Curriculum <i>Pupils in Year 2 will learn about what police officers do and how they help people.</i>
Friday 21st March 8.15 - 8.45am School Hall	Year 2 Parents'/Carers' Drop-in - Children sharing their work with their family <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
Friday 31st January	Year 3 Trip to the Verulamium Museum - History Curriculum <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>
Tuesday 11th March	Metropolitan Police Workshops - Personal Development Curriculum <i>Pupils in Year 3 will participate in a workshop entitled 'Clever never goes,' to help them recognise situations that could be unsafe and know what to do to protect themselves.</i>
Thursday 20th March 8.15 - 8.45am School Hall	Year 3 Parents'/Carers' Drop-in - Children sharing their work with their family <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>
Thursday 20th, Friday 21st and Friday 28th March	Year 3 Visits to Oak Farm Library - Celebrating Reading <i>Each Year 3 class will visit Oak Farm Library. Further information to parents, including the day each class will visit the library, to follow.</i>

Dates for Year 4

Date, Time & Venue	Year 4 Events
Thursday 13th February	Year 4 Egyptian Day - History Curriculum <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>
w/c Monday 10th March	Metropolitan Police Workshops - Personal Development Curriculum <i>Pupils in Year 4 will receive a personal safety presentation from the Metropolitan Police.</i>
Friday 14th March	Musiko Musika Workshop: From the Incas to Silicon Valley in Music <i>The workshop will give pupils hands-on experience of a range of instruments, taking them on a journey from the Incas to Silicon Valley by introducing pupils to today's world of music technology.</i>
Wednesday 19th March 8.15 - 8.45am School Hall	Year 4 Parents'/Carers' Drop-in - Children sharing their work with their family <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
Weeks beginning Monday 13th and Monday 20th January	<p>Year 5 Swimming - Physical Education Curriculum <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 swimming hat and a towel. Goggles are optional. Please refer to the letter sent home to parents and carers for full details.</i></p>
Wednesday 5th February	<p>Victorian Day - History Curriculum <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></p>
Tuesday 11th February	<p>Year 5 Young Voices Performance at Wembley - Music and Personal Development Curriculum <i>All Year 5 children were given the option to join our Young Voices choir, and we now have a group of approximately 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></p>
Tuesday 11th March 2.20 to 3.00pm School Hall	<p>Metropolitan Police Parents' Presentation: Child Exploitation, Gangs and Grooming - to support the school's Personal Development Curriculum. <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> <i>Please note that due to the content of this presentation it is not suitable for children to attend.</i></p>
Thursday 13th March	<p>Metropolitan Police Workshops - Personal Development Curriculum <i>Pupils in Year 5 will receive an internet safety presentation from the Metropolitan Police.</i></p>
Tuesday 18th March 8.15 - 8.45am School Hall	<p>Year 5 Parents'/Carers' Drop-in - Children sharing their work with their family <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></p>

Dates for Year 6

Date, Time & Venue	Year 6 Events
Tuesday 14th January 5pm School Hall	<p>Year 6 Parents'/Carers' SATs Meeting <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></p>
Week beginning Monday 20th January	<p>Year 6 Practice SATs Week <i>Students in Year 6 will sit some SATs style tests to prepare for SATs week in May.</i></p>

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w/c Monday 17th February (exact dates to be confirmed)	<p>February Half-Term Booster School <i>Selected students in year 6 will be invited to extra tuition sessions 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></p>
Monday 3rd March	<p>Secondary School Offer Day <i>Students in Year 6 will receive their offers of a place at secondary school. You will receive an email on the evening of 3rd March 2025 with the outcome of your application. You will then be required to log into your eAdmissions account to accept or decline your offer by Monday 17th March 2025. Important: You must accept the offer to secure the school place. If you do not accept by the 17 March 2025, the offer may be withdrawn. For more information please visit the London Borough of Hillingdon website: http://www.hillingdon.gov.uk/secondary</i></p>
Wednesday 5th March	<p>Class 6B and 6C Battle of Britain Bunker Trip - History and Geography Curriculum <i>Pupils in classes 6B and 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></p>
w/c Monday 10th March	<p>Metropolitan Police Workshops - Personal Development Curriculum <i>Pupils in Year 6 will receive a presentation from the Metropolitan Police to help keep them safe from knife crime, gangs and drugs.</i></p>
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Wednesday 12th March	<p>Class 6J Battle of Britain Bunker Trip - History and Geography Curriculum <i>Pupils in class 6J 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></p>
Monday 17th March 8.15 - 8.45am School Hall	<p>Year 6 Parents'/Carers' Drop-in - Children sharing their work with their family <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></p>
Wednesday 19th March Brunel University	<p>Year 6 Junior Citizens Event <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></p>
w/c Monday 7th and 14th April (exact dates to be confirmed)	<p>Easter Holiday Booster School <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></p>

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
Friday 10th January	Inclusive Table Cricket Competition
Thursday 6th February 1pm - 5pm Uxbridge College	Borough Basketball Tournament
Friday 7th February Pield Heath House School	Inclusive New Age Kurling Competition (Years 3 and 4)
Saturday 1st March 9am Ryefield Primary School	Uxbridge and District Girls' Netball Rally
Wednesday 5th March Venue TBC	Borough Year 5 and 6 Tag Rugby Competition
Saturday 8th March 9am Ryefield Primary School	Uxbridge and District Mixed Netball Rally
Monday 17th March 4pm Ryefield Primary School	Uxbridge and District Boys' Netball Rally
Wednesday 26th March Newnham Junior School	Borough Year 5 and 6 Girls' Netball Finals