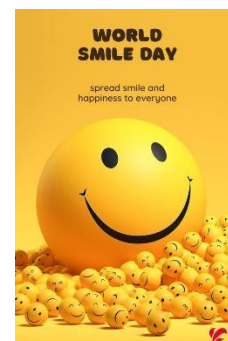


School Newsletter

Friday 3rd October 2025



Celebration assembly

Today is World Smile Day. Well done to the pupils below who were chosen by their teachers to receive certificates in today's Celebration assembly for spreading joy and happiness in school this week.

Reception Chestnut Class	Cooper
Reception Maple Class	Matei
Year 1 Ash Class	Alex and Darcie
Year 1 Redwood Class	Jax and Yeka
Year 2 Birch Class	Belle
Year 2 Elder Class	Tiger-Lillie
Year 3 Iroko Class	Oscar
Year 3 Willow Class	Max
Year 4 Juniper Class	Miles
Year 4 Spruce Class	Lilly-Belle
Year 5 Sycamore Class	Aaron
Year 5 Walnut Class	Yasmina
Year 6 Aspen Class	Charlie
Year 6 Beech Class	George

House points

Congratulations to the following pupils for earning the most house points this week.

Year 1 Ash Class	Aaron
Year 1 Redwood Class	Nola
Year 2 Birch Class	Phoebe and Robia
Year 2 Elder Class	Aiden
Year 3 Iroko Class	Erin-May
Year 3 Willow Class	Evelyn-Rose
Year 4 Juniper Class	Ben
Year 4 Spruce Class	Harlee GL
Year 5 Sycamore Class	Lucas
Year 5 Walnut Class	George
Year 6 Aspen Class	Alejandro
Year 6 Beech Class	Mason

Well done to the pupils in **Yellow** house for earning the most house points this week.

“Pupils say how much they enjoy coming to school.”
 Infant school Ofsted Inspection report

Attendance

We are aiming to achieve an attendance of 96% this year. Well done to all the classes highlighted in green for achieving that target last week.

Year 6 Beech Class	98%
Year 3 Iroko Class	97%
Year 4 Juniper Class	97%
Year 4 Spruce Class	97%
Year 1 Ash Class	95%
Reception Chestnut Class	94%
Year 2 Elder Class	94%
Reception Maple Class	92%
Year 2 Birch Class	92%
Year 5 Sycamore Class	91%
Year 3 Willow Class	90%
Year 6 Aspen Class	90%
Year 5 Walnut Class	87%
Year 1 Redwood Class	86%

Attendance Ladder



Tea time talk

This year, we are continuing to work with Voice21, a charity that supports schools to develop oracy. Oracy is the ability to articulate ideas, develop understanding and engage with others through spoken language and listening. Oracy skills set children up for success in school and life.



In order for children to develop their oracy, we need to provide them with lots of opportunities to practice their speaking and listening, which we do regularly in school. We will be sharing a discussion question each week in the newsletter to also provide you with a chance to have an interesting discussion with your children and support their oracy at home. This week's home discussion question is:

'Children should be able to choose what they want to learn.'

"Pupils are happy and confident and engage well with each other and members of staff."
 Junior school Ofsted Inspection report

Reception Open Morning

Was your child born between 1 September 2021 and 31 August 2022? Then you will need to apply for a place in Reception (starting September 2026) by Thursday 15 January 2026. Come along to our Reception open morning to find out why our school would be a fantastic place for your child to begin their learning journey.



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RECEPTION OPEN MORNING

9.30am Wednesday
5th November 2025

Contact the school office on
01895 462399 to book a place.



**Starting primary
school**
September 2026
For Hillingdon residents only

Apply online, apply in time at
www.hillingdon.gov.uk/schooladmissions
Closing date for applications is
15 January 2026

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Applying for a place in Reception at the Infant school for September 2026

If your child was born between 1st September 2021 and 31st August 2022, you must apply for a school place by Thursday 15th January 2026. For full details and to apply online, visit:
www.hillingdon.gov.uk/schooladmissions

Applying for a place in Year 3 at the Junior school for September 2026

If your child is currently in year 2, you must apply for a junior school place by Thursday 15th January 2026. For full details and to apply online, visit:
www.hillingdon.gov.uk/schooladmissions

"The relationships the teachers have with the pupils are outstanding, and as parent as well as a governor exactly what I'd hoped to see."

Parent/School governor

Applying for a place in Year 7 at Secondary school for September 2026

If your child is currently in year 6, you must apply for a Secondary school place by Friday 31st October 2025. For full details and to apply online, visit:

<https://www.hillingdon.gov.uk/schooladmissions>

Starting secondary school

September 2026

For Hillingdon residents only

Apply online, apply in time at
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 Closing date for applications is
 31 October 2025



Forest School

The children really enjoyed their Forest School sessions this week. They had a go at rock painting and made some super artwork. On Monday, Year 1 Ash Class had a great time, looking for conkers and using special pens to turn them into cute pet hedgehogs.

"This is the best day ever!" Ellie

"They look so cute, I loved making baby hedgehogs!" Rosey



"From the Nursery Year onwards, children are taught the importance of being kind and respectful."
 Infant school Ofsted Inspection report

Year 6 Football Fixture

After school on Wednesday, the Boys' Football Team played their first fixture against Breakspear School. It was a really competitive match, unfortunately ending in a 2 - 0 defeat.

Well done to Frank, Phoenix, Remy, Riley, Jack, Finn, Harry, Jake and Josh.



Michael Sobell House Hospice Fundraising

On Sunday 12th October, Miss Wilcox will be running a half marathon in aid of the Michael Sobell House Hospice. She will be running alongside others to support her friend, who's Mum spent her final days at the hospice.

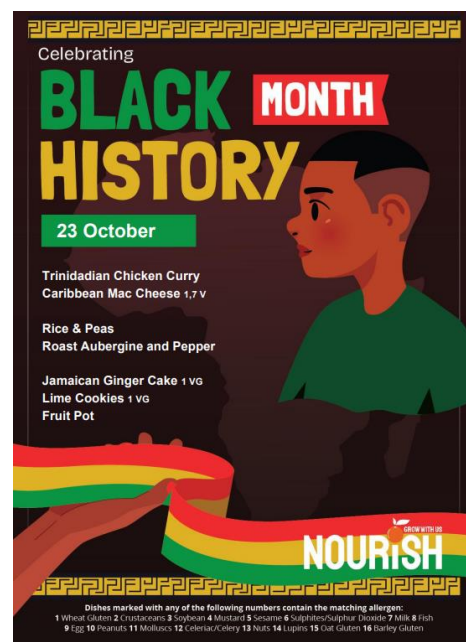
If you would like to support Miss Wilcox and friends who will be running the half marathon, please click on the link below.

[Fundraising page](#)

Nourish Theme Days

Nourish have created a special menu for Black History month.

If you would like your child to have a school lunch on that day, please log into your School Grid account to order one for your child.



“Highly trained staff offer well targeted support. As a result, pupils often make rapid improvements in their reading.”

Junior school Ofsted Inspection report

Key dates for your diary

October

Monday 13th October: Year 6 visit to the Harefield School.

Tuesday 21st October: Children's individual and sibling photos in Junior School hall.

Wednesday 22nd October: Children's individual and sibling photos in the Infant School hall.

Wednesday 22nd & Thursday 23rd October 3.30-6pm: parent-teacher meetings-further details to follow.

Thursday 23rd October: 9am: Y5 Walnut assembly for parents in the Junior hall

Monday 27th to Friday 31st October: Half term break.

November

Thursday 6th November: Year 3 Iroko trip to the British Museum.

Tuesday 11th November: Year 4 trip to Bedfont Lakes.

Monday 17th November: Year 3 Willow trip to the British Museum.

Thursday 27th November 9am: Y5 Sycamore assembly for parents in the Junior hall

December

Friday 5th December: Travel back in time day-further details to follow.

Wednesday 10th December 9am: Reception Nativity for parents in the Infant hall.

Tuesday 16th December 9am & 2.30pm: Infant Christmas Concert-further details to follow.

Wednesday 17th December 9am & 2.30pm: Junior Christmas Concert-further details to follow.

Thursday 18th December: Last day of term for Nursery pupils.

Friday 19th December: Last day of term for Reception to Year 6 pupils-school finishes at 1pm.

Spring term 2026

Training day (school closed for pupils)

Term starts

Half term

Term ends

Monday 5th January 2026

Tuesday 6th January 2026

Monday 16th to Friday 20th February 2026

Friday 27th March 2026 at 1pm

Summer term 2026

Training day (school closed for pupils)

Term starts

Half term

Term ends

Monday 13th April 2026

Tuesday 14th April 2026

Monday 25th to Friday 29th May 2026

Friday 17th July 2026 at 1pm

"All the teachers listen to you if you have any problems."
Year 6 pupil

PTA News

Harefield Infant and Junior School PTA is a registered charity. Our reference number is 1044958. We have been officially running for over four years now. During this period we have organised free fun events for the children, little gifts for the children, sales, discos, summer fetes, fireworks, paid for the pantomime, leavers discos, and even arranged for Santa to land on the school field in a Helicopter!

We have been able to raise amazing sums of money thanks to our brilliant volunteers, the generosity of the parents and families of children at the school, teachers, local businesses and the wider community and we are so grateful for all your help and support.

We are run entirely by volunteers so any help is highly appreciated. If any parent is able to help in any other way, that would also be amazing, maybe you work for a company that can donate prizes for our raffles, or a company who has a budget for charitable donations or want to run a stall at one of our events. Please get in touch with either the Infant or Junior school office, we would love to hear from you!

We have a few events planned over the next few months...

Friday 24th October – Halloween Disco.

Friday 7th November Family Fireworks.

Christmas Event - More info to follow

Lots of fun and games for everyone!

To ensure everyone can attend we are holding three discos!



Nursery and Reception Disco, 1.45pm – 2.30pm

- Fun, games, dancing, drinks and snacks!
- We are asking for a voluntary donation of £1 per child to be paid through ParentPay.
- Collection will be from their normal classrooms at normal end of school day time.
- **Nursery and Reception children may come to school dressed in their Halloween costumes.**

Year 1, 2 and 3 Disco, 3.30pm – 4.30pm

- £3.50 per child to be paid through ParentPay. This will include a drink of squash and a snack.
- There will also be sweets for sale if the children would like to bring a small amount of money.
- Year 1, 2 and 3 teachers will take the children going to the disco to the Junior school hall.
- Collection will be from Hazel, Iroko and Willow classrooms from the Junior school playground.
- If your child is not attending the disco, please collect them from their normal classroom at normal end of school day time.
- **Year 1, 2 and 3 children should wear school uniform as normal and bring their Halloween costumes in a named bag to change into at the end of the school day.**

Year 4, 5 and 6 Disco, 5.00pm – 6.00pm

- £3.50 per child to be paid through ParentPay. This will include a drink of squash and a snack.
- There will also be sweets for sale if the children would like to bring a small amount of money.
- Collection will be from Hazel, Iroko and Willow classrooms from the Junior school playground.

If your child is registered with the school for the Pupil Premium Grant the disco is free of charge. However, to book your child's place you MUST email the school office with their name and class at office@harefieldinfant.com or office@harefieldjunior.com.

Helpers

Any parents/carers who would like to help at any of the discos are more than welcome! Fancy dress is optional! Please give your name and phone number to the school office for them to pass on to the PTA. Thank you.



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Harefield Infant and Junior Schools Present

Family Fireworks

At The River Garden

Friday 7th November 2025

Gates open 5pm, Fireworks 7.30pm

Marshmallow Toasting, Stalls, Food and Drinks
Award Winning Fireworks Display Company

Tickets £10 adults, £6 Child (3-16), Under 3 free £25 family (2 adults 2 children)

Ticket price includes booking fee

Limited number of Tickets on the door

Tickets available online at [eventbrite.com](https://www.eventbrite.com)

book now to avoid disappointment! All ticket sales to Harefield Infant and Junior Schools Charity ref:1044958

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/family-fireworks-tickets-1765737150349?aff=oddttdcreator>

Please click on the above link to purchase tickets for the PTA Family Fireworks Event