



The Hyde School Newsletter

Autumn Term: 2nd October 2026



Dear Families,

I would like to share that Phase 2 of our building works has now begun. This phase focuses on the upstairs corridor, which was previously home to our Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6 classrooms. We will keep you updated as the work progresses.

A huge thank you to all the families who joined us for our Little Wandle Coffee Morning yesterday. It was wonderful to see so many parents and carers attending to learn more about how we teach early reading and how you can support your child at home.

I would also like to thank everyone who supported our Macmillan Coffee Morning last week. It was lovely to see our school community come together for such an important cause. Your generosity and support are greatly appreciated, and we are grateful to everyone who attended, donated and helped make the event such a success - **YOU raised almost £200!**

Finally, I would like to encourage all parents and carers to complete the TEFAT Parent Survey, which is now open. Your feedback is invaluable and helps us to celebrate what is working well while identifying areas where we can continue to improve. We genuinely value your views and would be grateful if you could take a few minutes to complete the survey by clicking [here](#).

Thank you for your continued support and partnership.

Warm regards,

Ms Saving

Headteacher

Autumn Term Roadmap

Below is our roadmap of key events and activities for the Autumn Term. This gives families an overview of what's happening across the school and when.

Please note that while we aim to keep to these dates and times, there may occasionally be changes. If this happens, we will let you know as soon as possible.

What	When	Who	Notes
Year 3 Trip	Monday 5th October	Year 3 Pupils	
Year 2 Sparks Trip	Thursday 8th October	Year 2 Pupils	
PTA School Disco	Tuesday 13th October	The children	Tickets will be on sale at the start of October!
Year 2 Shine Trip	Thursday 15th October	Year 2 Pupils	
London Borough of Barnet Parent Champion Offer	Wednesday 21st October	Parents in the Community	More information to follow. 
INSET DAY	Friday 23rd October	School Closed	
Autumn 2			

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Autumn 2			
Year 6 PGL	Monday 2nd November	Year 6 Pupils	
Year 6 Parents' Evening	Tuesday 10th November	Year 6 Parents 1pm - 5pm	More information to follow.
Nursery Parents' Evening	Tuesday 10th November	Nursery Parents 3:30pm - 5:30pm	More information to follow.
Nursery to Year 6 Parents' Evening	Wednesday 11th November	3:30pm - 5:30pm	More information to follow.
Nursery to Year 6 Parents' Evening	Wednesday 11th November	3:30pm - 7:30pm	More information to follow.
Year 4 Swimming	Monday 16th November	Year 4 Pupils	
Anti-Bullying Week	Monday 16th November	Whole School	More information to follow.
Children in Need	Thursday 19th November	Whole School	
Make Your Mark Week: Stand Up and Stand Out	Friday 20th November	Whole School	
Y1 Trip to RAF	Wednesday 25th and 26th November	Year 1 Pupils	
EYFS Christmas Event	Wednesday 9th December	EY Parents	
Save the Children Winter Jumper Day and Christmas Lunch	Thursday 10th December	Whole School	
Winter Fair	Friday 11th December	Whole School	
KS1 Nativity	Tuesday 15th December	KS1 Parents	
Last Day of Term	Friday 18th December		



The Hyde School

Term Dates 2026 – 2027



Autumn Term 2026

Children return to school on Thursday 3rd September 2026

OPEN	First Half	Thursday 3rd September – Thursday 22nd October
CLOSED	Half Term	Monday 26th October – Friday 30th October
OPEN	Second Half	Monday 2nd November – Friday 18th December

Spring Term 2027

OPEN	First Half	Wednesday 6th January – Friday 12th February
CLOSED	Half Term	Monday 15th February – Friday 19th February
OPEN	Second Half	Monday 22nd February – Thursday 25th March

Summer Term 2027

OPEN	First Half	Monday 12th April – Thursday 27th May
CLOSED	May Day	Monday 3rd May – school closed for Bank Holiday
CLOSED	Half Term	Monday 31st May – Friday 4th June
OPEN	Second Half	Monday 7th June – Thursday 22nd July

STAFF TRAINING DAYS (INSET)/ BANK HOLIDAYS

Tuesday 1st September 2026 - Inset Day
Wednesday 2nd September 2026 - Inset Day
Friday 23rd October 2026 - Inset Day
Tuesday 5th January 2027 - Inset Day
Monday 3rd May 2027 - Bank Holiday
Friday 28th May 2027 - Inset Day



The Hyde School Safeguarding Team

If you believe a child or adult may be in immediate danger:



Call **999** and ask for the appropriate service (Police, Ambulance or Fire Brigade)

If you are worried about the safety or welfare of a child, you can contact:



Barnet MASH
0208 359 4066



mash@barnet.gov.uk



Brent Family Front Door
020 8937 4300

<https://www.brent.gov.uk/services-for-residents/children-and-family-support/keeping-children-safe/contact-our-protection-team/>

NSPCC Helpline (for advice)



0808 800 5000 help@nspcc.org.uk

Other useful support websites:

- <https://www.solacewomensaid.org/>
- <https://mensadviceline.org.uk/>

At The Hyde, we have a caring safeguarding team ready to support your child. Our school email inbox is checked every day, so if you ever feel the school can help in any way, please don't hesitate to get in touch:

safeguarding@thehydeschool.co.uk

We're here to listen and support you.

MEET OUR SAFEGUARDING TEAM

Philippa Saving
DSL & Headteacher



Nisha Mehta
Deputy DSL



Spencer Guy
Deputy DSL



Charlotte Lee Foo Pin
Deputy DSL



Zareen Oozeerally
Deputy DSL



Emily Clements
Deputy DSL



Safeguarding is Everyone's Responsibility

The Process

- 1 Write and hand in your completed poster to your class teacher by **Thursday 8th October.**



- 2 Your teacher will then pick the **5 or 6** most impactful posters and ask you to read your poster to the whole class during the week beginning **12th October.**



- 3 The class will then vote on the finest speech and who they feel will best represent them at school council.



- 4 School Councillors will be known by **Monday 19th October.**



What is a School Council?



A school council is a group of pupils who help make important decisions about how our school runs.



Councillors help to make our school even better by sharing ideas, raising important issues and thinking about what could be improved.



Each class has one councillor who listens to the ideas and opinions of their class and shares them with Mr Guy and the school leadership team.

A school council helps to make sure everyone's voice is heard and that our school is a safe, happy and positive place for all.

School Council

Working together to make
The Hyde School an even better place!



Urgently Needed Items

- Tinned Fruit
- Tinned Vegetables
- Tinned Fish
- Nappies (3/4/5)
- Pasta Sauce
- Rice Pudding
- Sugar (small packets)
- Coffee
- Toiletries (M/F)
- Juice
- Crisps / Snacks
- Biscuits
- Cooking Oil



Non Food Items

1. Toilet Rolls
2. Tinned Meat
3. Long life milk
4. Shower Gel
5. Deodorant
6. Shampoo
7. Nappies - size 3,4,5 & 6
8. Wipes
9. Washing Powder
10. Washing Up Liquid
11. Toothbrush
12. Toothpaste



Thank you for your support!

Come Join Us For A

SPOOKY DISCO

ORGANISED BY THE HYDE SCHOOL PARENT TEACHER ASSOCIATION (PTA)

TUESDAY 13TH OCTOBER 2026

IN THE SCHOOL HALL

SESSION 1

NURSERY, RECEPTION,
YEAR 1 & YEAR 2

3:30PM - 4:30PM

SESSION 2

KEY STAGE 2
(YEARS 3, 4, 5 & 6)

5:00PM - 6:00PM

ARRANGEMENTS FOR CHILDREN

Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 children should come to school wearing their party clothes, or spooky costumes, to may bring them in to change into at the end of the school day.

KS2 pupils will go home as usual at the end of the school day and should return to school for the evening session.

Children attending the UPS after-school club provision may attend UPS as normal and will then be taken to the disco.

TICKETS & ENTRY

Entry is £3 per child.

Tickets will be on sale tomorrow at the start and end of the school day, outside the caged area.

Payment by card only.

No tickets will be available on the day.

FOOD & ACTIVITIES

All entry tickets include free unlimited juice and squash.

Key Stage 2: Hot dogs and candy floss can be pre-ordered at £1 each when purchasing tickets.

Key Stage 2: A range of additional items will be available at the disco, all priced under £2, including toys, disco items and sweet treats.

Early Years + KS1 may pre-order a Spooky Goody Bag containing a hot dog, drink, candyfloss and glow stick for an additional £5.

PARENT WAITING AREA

We will also open a classroom for parents who wish to stay on site, relax, and wait for their child during the disco sessions.

PTA FUNDRAISING

All money raised will go to The Hyde School Parent Teacher Association (Hyde Charity PTA) and will be used to support and enhance resources and experiences for the children at the school.

CHILDREN CAN WEAR SPOOKY FANCY DRESS!

GET INVOLVED!

INTERESTED IN JOINING THE PTA? Please see the attached flyer for more information.

WE CAN'T WAIT TO SEE THE CHILDREN DANCING, IN COSTUME, AND HAVING A SPOOKTACULAR TIME!

Nursery

In Nursery, we have been busy exploring mark-making in lots of exciting and creative ways, both indoors and outdoors!



Reception: Blossom 1 & 2



This past fortnight, the children in Blossom 1 and 2 have continued to develop some lovely friendships and have been working collaboratively to build towers, share books, and pull each other on tyres. They have also been showing their creativity by making beautiful and unique pieces of blossom themed art for our new display!



Year 1

Year 1 have been inspired by the wonderful artwork of Molly Handsland. We have been exploring how our bodies can help us create exciting lines and shapes, experimenting with spirals using our wrists, hands, elbows and even our shoulders!



Year 2 'Sh-arcs' (Shine and Sparks)

Here are some photos from our
Autumn Wellness Day last week...



Mavericks

Our first Pe lessons were full of movement! The children explored different ways of moving, from hopping and stepping, stretching and stomping, all while listening carefully and following instructions. Well done everyone!



Year 3

Y3 had an amazing Wellbeing day at the Silver Jubilee Park!



We skipped, played parachute, bean bag toss and we showed our dribbling skills among other sport activities.



Year 4

Year 4 have been focusing on setting descriptions using *The Iron Man* and identifying the key features in our shared write.



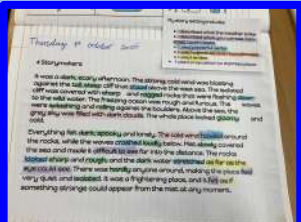
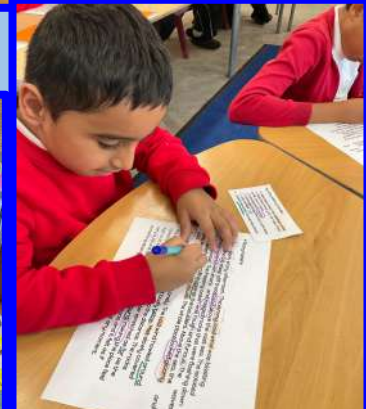
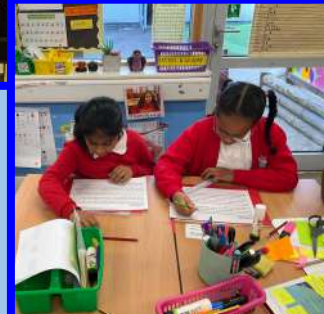
My story setting includes

- I described what the weather is like
- I described what you can see, hear, smell, touch, taste
- I used powerful verbs
- I used adjectives and noun phrases
- I used similes
- I used preposition to express place.

4 Storymakers *adjectives* *prepositions*

It was a dark, scary afternoon. The strong, cold wind was blasting against the tall, steep cliff that stood above the vast sea. The isolated cliff was covered with sharp and ragged rocks that were flashing down to the wild water. The freezing ocean was rough and furious. The waves were splashing and rolling against the boulders. Above the sea, the grey sky was filled with dark clouds. The whole place looked gloomy and cold.

Everything felt dark, spooky and lonely. The cold wind howled around the rocks, while the waves crashed loudly below. Mist slowly covered the sea and made it difficult to see far into the distance. The rocks looked sharp and rough, and the dark water stretched as far as the eye could see. There was hardly anyone around, making the place feel very quiet and isolated. It was a frightening place, and it felt as if something strange could appear from the mist at any moment.



Year 5

In Science Year 5 have been exploring the Solar System.

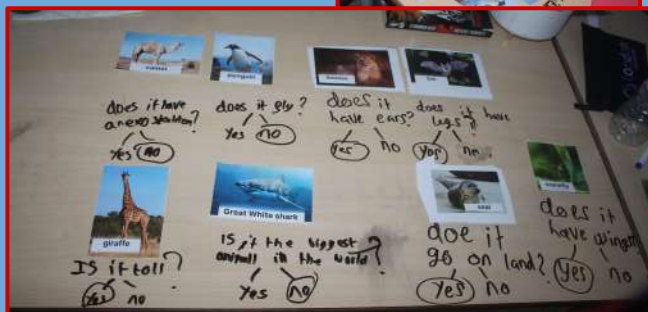
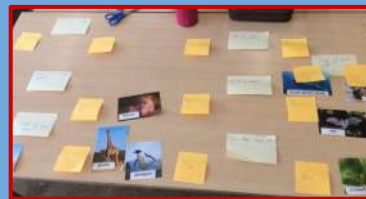
To explore how the rotation of Earth creates day and night. Children used torches to investigate how the position of the light source affects the size, length and direction of the shadows.

In PE children have also been developing their rugby skills such as passing, receiving, spatial awareness, coordination and teamwork.



Year 6

In Science, we have been learning all about classification!



MINI MEADOW MOVERMENT

Let's plant 600 mini-meadows in
60 days across Barnet

Barnet residents and groups are
invited to create a small wildflower
meadow for pollinators in gardens,
balconies or community spaces!

Sign up today to receive:

- Free wildflower seeds!
- Easy-to-follow guide
- Prize draw entries
- The chance to join a
borough-wide nature challenge

Sow the seeds in
**SEPTEMBER
AND OCTOBER**

Scan to join the
movement or visit
join.minimeadowmovement.org



@londonuswild

To support asylum seekers living in
temporary hotel accommodation,
NCG is holding a

Clothes and Shoes Distribution



**Wednesday,
28 October**



We are welcoming donations of clean,
good-condition clothing and footwear
for **men, women & children:**



Donation Drop-off Dates:

3-5pm 27/10/2026
9.30am-11.30am 28/10/2026



Drop-off Location:

St Matthias Church,
Colindale, Rushgrove Ave,
London, NW9 6QY



Please **Contact Us** to arrange drop-off.

<https://ncgateway.org.uk/contact-us/>



If you're unable to donate items but would still like to support,
any donation—big or small—makes a difference, as we continue
to provide vouchers for families to purchase school uniform
and winter coats for their children.



Make a Donation to Support Our Work:

<https://www.totalgiving.co.uk/donate/barnet-refugee-service>

Breakfast & After School Clubs

Our Breakfast and After School Childcare Clubs
are available for children from
Reception (once attending full time) to Year 6.

If you would like to register please go to:

www.ultimateprimarysports.com



Parking Reminder

If you are driving to and from school, please park considerately.

We have ongoing complaints about some parents blocking driveways and being abusive or aggressive to residents when asked to move.

Please be polite to our neighbours and set a good example for our children.

FREE PARKING for up to 2 hours is available at [West Hendon Playing Field Car Park](#) (round the corner from Hyde Crescent).

Food Bank Information

For those struggling with food, the Colindale Foodbank will be open on Tuesdays and Thursdays 12pm to 2.30pm. Trinity Church, Northwest Centre, Avion Crescent, Grahame Park Way, NW9 5QY

Bread N Butter is cooking and freezing healthy meals, which can be delivered locally to those in need. Please call 0208 357 0923 or email info@sct.london. Open between 10am and 4pm weekdays

NW7 hub (Mill Hill Library) are providing a food bank and food bank delivery service 10am to 1pm Mon - Thurs and Saturday Mill Hill Library Building, Hartley Avenue, Mill Hill, London, NW7 2HX - 0208 906 3125

Reminder

Your child needs to be in school as much as possible to support their learning.

Where possible, please ensure that routine appointments (doctors, dentist, opticians etc.) are booked outside of the school day.

Thank you for your support.

