



# The Hyde School Newsletter

## Spring Term: 16th January 2026



Dear Families,

Welcome to the first newsletter of January 2026! I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday and managed to enjoy some well-deserved rest.

It has been fantastic to see how well the children have settled back into school life after the holidays, even with a few frosty, snowy moments along the way. Their enthusiasm and resilience are always a joy to witness.

Over the past two weeks, our Year 4 pupils have been learning to swim, and it has been wonderful to see how much they have enjoyed these sessions. Their confidence in the water is growing beautifully and will continue to learn to swim in April!

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the families who have shared their feedback on the development of our new school values. Your thoughts are incredibly valuable to us, and if you haven't had the chance to provide feedback yet, there is still time to do so.

I'm also delighted to see that many families have already explored our new school website. Please don't forget to subscribe to stay up-to-date with the latest news and updates from the school.

Thank you for your continued support, and I look forward to a successful term ahead.

Warmest wishes,

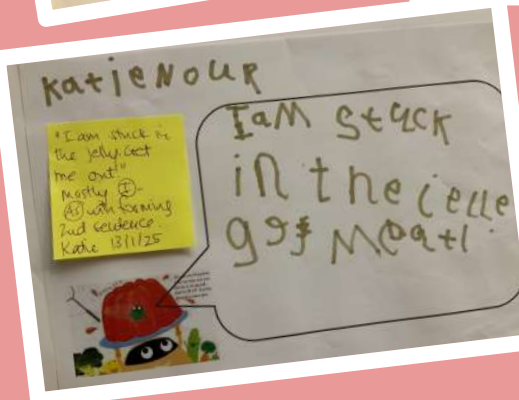
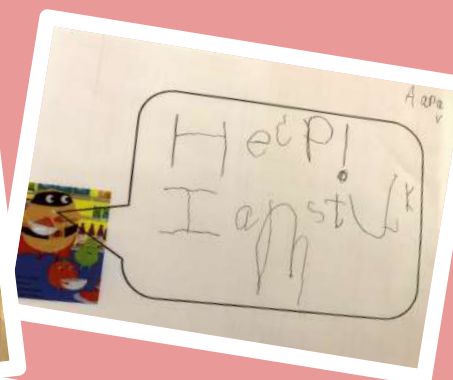
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# Nursery

It has been so lovely welcoming the children back after half term! We have opened our new hairdresser role play and the children have been keen to explore the different accessories and 'hot' tools.



# Reception



This fortnight Reception have been exploring all things 'superhero'! They have enjoyed role playing in our Superhero Den, making small world Supertatoes and writing a caption in speech bubble. In maths the focus has been number bonds to 5 and 10.

## Year 1

In Year 1, We have a very special visitor! Paddington Bear has come all the way from Peru. He told us lots of interesting facts about Peru and that it is in South America.



Over the weekend, Paddington Bear travelled to the Sahara Desert in Africa. He has taught us all about the hot and cold desert.



In science we have been looking at the features of animals and grouping them together, like scientists.



# Year 2 - 'Mac-Flies' (Macaws and Fireflies)



Year 2 are blasting off into Space with their new topic!



In science we have been learning what animals need to survive. We thought about the difference between a want and a need!



We have read the story of Bob, the Man on the Moon. What questions did we have about Bob?



Teamwork makes the dream work! The children have loved working cooperatively as a team in PE.

# Rockets

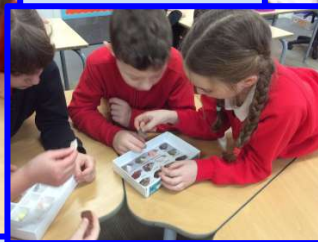
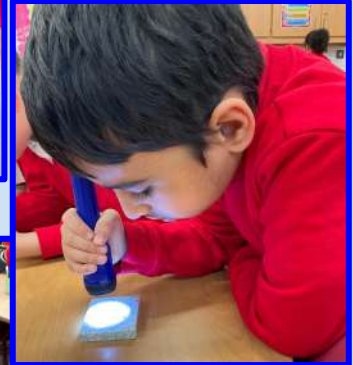
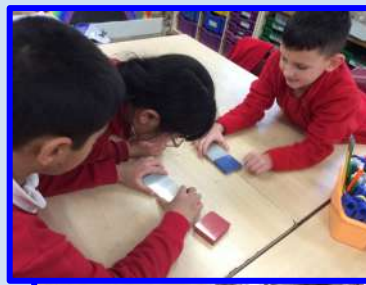


We have been learning about Pets and Farm animals. Children created pe faces, a barn, dog beds and dog collars.

**Year 3**

**Science: Rocks and Soils!**

**Exploring different types of rocks.**



# Year 4



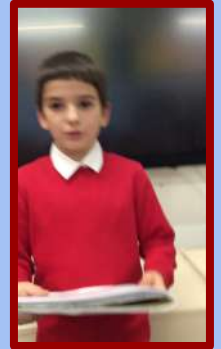
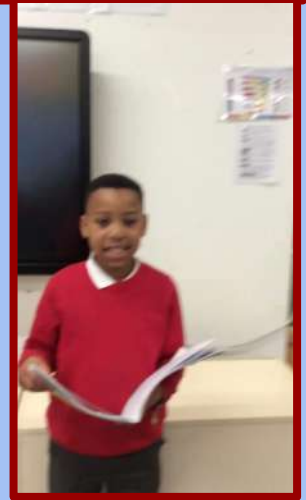
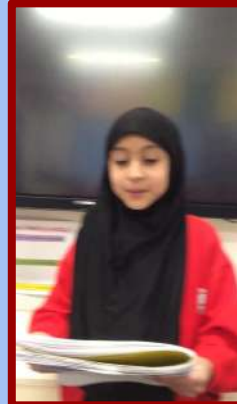
We have started our swimming lessons! We have had so much fun learning a new skill!



# Year 5

In English we have been learning how to write **sports commentaries** making sure that they are both informative and capture the excitement of the event.

Listen to some of our commentaries. We hope we get across how exciting the match was



# Year




The RAF Museum

We experienced what school life would have been like during WWII.

# 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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:safeguarding@thehydeschool.co.uk)**

**We're here to listen and support you.**



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**Safeguarding is Everyone's Responsibility**



The Hyde School

**Term Dates 2025 – 2026**



**Autumn Term 2025**

**Children return to school on Wednesday 3rd September 2025**

<b>OPEN</b>	First Half	<b>Wednesday 3rd September – Friday 24th October</b>
<b>CLOSED</b>	Half Term	Monday 27th October – Friday 31st October
<b>OPEN</b>	Second Half	<b>Monday 3rd November – Friday 19th December</b>

**Spring Term 2026**

<b>OPEN</b>	First Half	<b>Tuesday 6th January – Friday 13th February</b>
<b>CLOSED</b>	Half Term	Monday 16th February – Friday 20th February
<b>OPEN</b>	Second Half	<b>Monday 23rd February – Friday 27th March</b>

**Summer Term 2026**

<b>OPEN</b>	First Half	<b>Monday 13th April – Thursday 21st May</b>
<b>CLOSED</b>	May Day	Monday 4th May – school closed for Bank Holiday
<b>CLOSED</b>	Half Term	Monday 25th May – Friday 29th May
<b>OPEN</b>	Second Half	<b>Monday 1st June – Friday 17th July</b>

**STAFF TRAINING DAYS (INSET)/ BANK HOLIDAYS**

- Monday 1st September 2025- Inset Day**
- Tuesday 2nd September 2025 - Inset Day**
- Monday 5th January 2026 - Inset Day**
- Monday 4th May 2026 - Bank Holiday**
- Friday 22nd May 2026 - Academy Closure Day**
- Monday 20th July 2026 – Inset Day**

**2026–2027  
Term Dates  
Coming Soon**

# 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).

# School Dinners

Please note that children cannot change from packed lunches to school dinners without notice.  
 If your child would like to change to school dinner, please speak to the office at least one week in advance.

THE HYDE	Date: 7 <sup>th</sup> Sep, 22 <sup>nd</sup> Sep, 13 <sup>th</sup> Oct, 3 <sup>rd</sup> Nov, 24 <sup>th</sup> Nov, 15 <sup>th</sup> Dec, 5 <sup>th</sup> Jan, 26 <sup>th</sup> Jan, 16 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Date: 8 <sup>th</sup> Sep, 29 <sup>th</sup> Sep, 20 <sup>th</sup> Oct, 12 <sup>th</sup> Nov, 1 <sup>st</sup> Dec, 22 <sup>nd</sup> Dec, 22 <sup>nd</sup> Dec, 22 <sup>nd</sup> Jan, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Feb	Date: 5 <sup>th</sup> Aug, 15 <sup>th</sup> Sep, 8 <sup>th</sup> Oct, 27 <sup>th</sup> Oct, 7 <sup>th</sup> Nov, 8 <sup>th</sup> Dec, 29 <sup>th</sup> Dec, 19 <sup>th</sup> Jan, 9 <sup>th</sup> Feb
	WEEK 1	WEEK 2	WEEK 3
MONDAY	Turkey Lasagne (GL,ES,M) Sweet Mash Topped Veggie Pie (GL) Tomato Pasta (GL) Jacket Potatoes - Cheese (M), Beans or Tuna (F) Sandwiches-Egg (GL,SO,EG), Cheese (GL,ML,SO) or Tuna (GL,SO,F) Ice Cream (M) or Fresh Fruit	Turkey Pasta (GL,ES,M) Veggie Chow Mein Noodles (GL,ES,SO) Tomato Pasta (GL) Jacket - Cheese (M), Beans or Tuna (F) Sandwiches-Egg (GL,SO,EG), Cheese (GL,ML,SO) or Tuna (GL,SO,F) Ice Cream (M) or Fresh Fruit	Turkey Chili with Rice (GL) Mac 'n' Cheese (GL,M) Tomato Pasta (GL) Jacket Potatoes - Cheese (M), Beans or Tuna (F) Sandwiches-Egg (GL,SO,EG), Cheese (GL,ML,SO) or Tuna (GL,SO,F) Ice Cream (M) or Fresh Fruit
TUESDAY	Chicken Tikka Masala with Steamed Rice Pesto Pasta (GL,M) Tomato Pasta (GL) Jacket Potatoes - Cheese (M), Beans or Tuna (F) Sandwiches-Egg (GL,SO,EG), Cheese (GL,ML,SO) or Tuna (GL,SO,F) Gary Biscuit (GL) or Fresh Fruit	Salmon & Broccoli Pasta (GL,M,F) Handmade Margherita Pizza with Slow (GL,M) Tomato Pasta (GL) Jacket Potatoes - Cheese (M), Beans or Tuna (F) Sandwiches-Egg (GL,SO,EG), Cheese (GL,ML,SO) or Tuna (GL,SO,F) Vegan Fruit Jelly or Fresh Fruit	Pasty Topped Chicken Pie (GL) Handmade Margherita Pizza with Slow (GL,M) Tomato Pasta (GL) Jacket Potatoes - Cheese (M), Beans or Tuna (F) Sandwiches-Egg (GL,SO,EG), Cheese (GL,ML,SO) or Tuna (GL,SO,F) Fruity Shortbread (GL) or Fresh Fruit
WEDNESDAY	Chicken Sausage with Mash & Gravy (GL,SO) Vegan Sausage with Mash & Gravy (SO) Tomato Pasta (GL) Jacket Potatoes - Cheese (M), Beans or Tuna (F) Sandwiches-Egg (GL,SO,EG), Cheese (GL,ML,SO) or Tuna (GL,SO,F) Vegan Fruit Jelly or Fresh Fruit	Roast Chicken with Potatoes & Gravy (SO) Butterbean Mashed Potatoes (GL,SO) Tomato Pasta (GL) Jacket Potatoes - Cheese (M), Beans or Tuna (F) Sandwiches-Egg (GL,SO,EG), Cheese (GL,ML,SO) or Tuna (GL,SO,F) Fruity Shortbread (GL) or Fresh Fruit	Roast Turkey with Potatoes & Gravy (SO) Cauliflower Cheese Bake with Potatoes (GL,ML,SO) Tomato Pasta (GL) Jacket Potatoes - Cheese (M), Beans or Tuna (F) Sandwiches-Egg (GL,SO,EG), Cheese (GL,ML,SO) or Tuna (GL,SO,F) Vegan Fruit Jelly or Fresh Fruit
THURSDAY	Jerk Chicken with Rice Handmade Margherita Pizza with Slow (GL,M) Tomato Pasta (GL) Jacket Potatoes - Cheese (M), Beans or Tuna (F) Sandwiches-Egg (GL,SO,EG), Cheese (GL,ML,SO) or Tuna (GL,SO,F) Chocolate Cake (GL) or Fresh Fruit	Chicken Fajita with Rice (GL) Veggie Curry with Rice Tomato Pasta (GL) Jacket Potatoes - Cheese (M), Beans or Tuna (F) Sandwiches-Egg (GL,SO,EG), Cheese (GL,ML,SO) or Tuna (GL,SO,F) Apple Cake (GL) or Fresh Fruit	Turkey Cottage Pie with Mash (GL) Cheese Penini (GL,SO,SE,ML,M) Tomato Pasta (GL) Jacket Potatoes - Cheese (M), Beans or Tuna (F) Sandwiches-Egg (GL,SO,EG), Cheese (GL,ML,SO) or Tuna (GL,SO,F) Iced Contenti Cake (GL) or Fresh Fruit
FRIDAY	Fish Fingers with Oven Baked Chips (GL,F) Cheesy Baked Bean Quesadilla with Oven Baked Chips (GL,M) Tomato Pasta (GL) Jacket Potatoes - Cheese (M), Beans or Tuna (F) Sandwiches-Egg (GL,SO,EG), Cheese (GL,ML,SO) or Tuna (GL,SO,F) Dessert Bar (GL,M) or Fresh Fruit	Fish Fingers with Oven Baked Chips (GL,F) Fajitas with Oven Baked Chips (GL) Tomato Pasta (GL) Jacket Potatoes - Cheese (M), Beans or Tuna (F) Sandwiches-Egg (GL,SO,EG), Cheese (GL,ML,SO) or Tuna (GL,SO,F) Dessert Bar (GL,M) or Fresh Fruit	Fish Fingers with Oven Baked Chips (GL,F) Veggie Fajita with Oven Baked Chips (GL) Tomato Pasta (GL) Jacket Potatoes - Cheese (M), Beans or Tuna (F) Sandwiches-Egg (GL,SO,EG), Cheese (GL,ML,SO) or Tuna (GL,SO,F) Dessert Bar (GL,M) or Fresh Fruit

VEGETABLES, SALAD, BREAD, AVAILABLE DAILY

HALAL MEAT SERVED HERE

BREAD CONTAINS - GL - M1 - ES - SO

ALLERGY KEY  
 GL: GLUTEN, ES: EGGS, SO: SOYBEANS, M: MILK, F: FISH, L: LAMB, M: MEAT, ML: MILK, M1: MILK, M2: MILK, M3: MILK, M4: MILK, M5: MILK, M6: MILK, M7: MILK, M8: MILK, M9: MILK, M10: MILK, M11: MILK, M12: MILK, M13: MILK, M14: MILK, M15: MILK, M16: MILK, M17: MILK, M18: MILK, M19: MILK, M20: MILK, M21: MILK, M22: MILK, M23: MILK, M24: MILK, M25: MILK, M26: MILK, M27: MILK, M28: MILK, M29: MILK, M30: MILK, M31: MILK, M32: MILK, M33: MILK, M34: MILK, M35: MILK, M36: MILK, M37: MILK, M38: MILK, M39: MILK, M40: MILK, M41: MILK, M42: MILK, M43: MILK, M44: MILK, M45: MILK, M46: MILK, M47: MILK, M48: MILK, M49: MILK, M50: MILK, M51: MILK, M52: MILK, M53: MILK, M54: MILK, M55: MILK, M56: MILK, M57: MILK, M58: MILK, M59: MILK, M60: MILK, M61: MILK, M62: MILK, M63: MILK, M64: MILK, M65: MILK, M66: MILK, M67: MILK, M68: MILK, M69: MILK, M70: MILK, M71: MILK, M72: MILK, M73: MILK, M74: MILK, M75: MILK, M76: MILK, M77: MILK, M78: MILK, M79: MILK, M80: MILK, M81: MILK, M82: MILK, M83: MILK, M84: MILK, M85: MILK, M86: MILK, M87: MILK, M88: MILK, M89: MILK, M90: MILK, M91: MILK, M92: MILK, M93: MILK, M94: MILK, M95: MILK, M96: MILK, M97: MILK, M98: MILK, M99: MILK, M100: MILK

The Pasty is committed to improving the standards of children's meals across every one of our schools, and fresh, ethically sourced ingredients are used every day across our kitchens.



# 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](http://www.ultimateprimarysports.com)



# 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](mailto: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