



The Hyde School Newsletter

Spring Term: 30th January 2026



Dear Families,

It has been another busy and exciting week at The Hyde, with lots to celebrate across the school. This week, Nisha and Richard selected our cross country teams for Years 4, 5 and 6. The children showed great determination and enthusiasm, and we wish the team the very best as they prepare to compete in the coming weeks - Nisha will be letting children know on Monday if they have been selected!

We have also enjoyed a fantastic range of trips and visitors recently, which have really enriched the children's learning. Year 6 visited the Imperial War Museum, Year 3 explored the British Museum, and today Year 2 enjoyed an inspiring visit to the Science Museum. Year 1 were equally excited to welcome Ranger Stu into school, an experience the children are still talking about.

Over the final two weeks of term, our focus will be on Anti Bullying and Children's Mental Health Week. These are vital themes, and we will be sharing more information with families soon about how we will be supporting children during this time.

Our School Council has met and had some thoughtful discussions about the values they would like every child and member of staff to develop during their time at The Hyde. We are looking forward to sharing these with you very soon.

Thank you to the parents and carers who attended today's session about the new after school clubs that will be offered after the half term holiday. I will be writing to families early next week with details on how to book onto them.

Finally, please remember to sign up to our Google Calendar, which you can subscribe to via our new school website. This is the best way to keep up to date with key dates and events.

Ms Saving

Attendance Award

Because our attendance has been great for the last few weeks EVERY class will have a chance to win either BAS or BEA for the week! All class names are in a box and ONE will be picked out each week!



Stars of the Week!

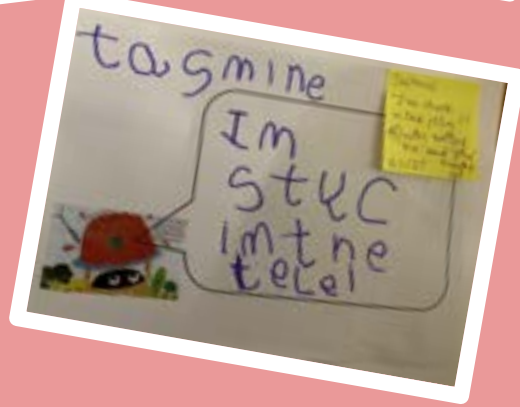
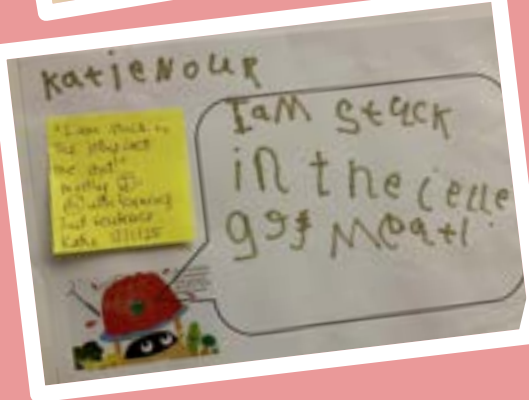
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| Nursery | Amelia | | |
| 1 Dreamers | Soren | 1 Voyagers | Celine |
| 2 Macaws | WHOLE CLASS! | 2 Fireflies | WHOLE CLASS! |
| 3 Liberty | David | 3 Lunar | WHOLE CLASS! |
| 4 Starlings | Musa | 4 Galaxy | Shavinth |
| 5 Supernova | Wasan | 5 Star Sailors | Yavuz |
| 6 Empire | Mahdi | 6 Sugar Gliders | Ledion |

Nursery

In Nursery we have been learning all about 'The colour monster'. The children have been introduced to 'zones of regulation' and are becoming more confident to describe how they are feeling using the characters and colours. We have also been busy colour mixing and exploring colours using our colour mixing station!



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 been learning about animals, focusing on their features, groups and diets.



As part of our learning, we were excited to welcome Ranger Stu, who visited us with some of his animals. The children were fascinated and thoroughly enjoyed the hands-on experience—it was a very exciting and memorable visit!

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

In Computing, we have been working on our new programming unit called 'Robot Algorithms' with Cristina.



In PE, we have been practising our ball skills in Invasion Games.



Rockets



Children in Rockets have been discovering various types of textures. We have learned words like; bumpy, rough, smooth, scaly, fluffy, hairy. We also enjoyed playing with a sensory board that was custom made for us by Richard.

Year 3

Our fabulous trip to the British Museum!

Ancient Egyptians



Year 4



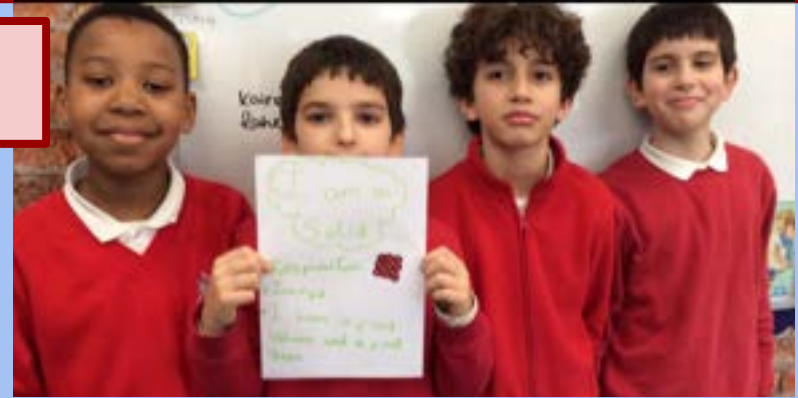
Year 4 have been learning about States of Matter. Using cheerios, we represented the particles of solid, liquid and gases!



Year 5

This week in science children explored the three states of matter- solids, liquids and gases. They created colourful posters and took part in role playing activities to demonstrate the unique characteristics of each state.

I am a solid!



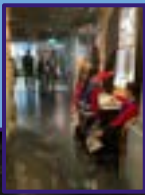
I am gas!



I am a liquid!



Year



To further enhance our understanding of WW2, we visited The Imperial War



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.



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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

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|--------|-------------|-----------------------------------------------|
| OPEN | First Half | Wednesday 3rd September – Friday 26th October |
| CLOSED | Half Term | Monday 27th October – Friday 31st October |
| OPEN | Second Half | Monday 3rd November – Friday 19th December |

Spring Term 2026

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

Summer Term 2026

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

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



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| CLOSED | Half Term | Monday 15th February – Friday 19th February |
| OPEN | Second Half | Monday 22nd February – Thursday 25th March |

Summer Term 2027

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|--------|-------------|-------------------------------------------------|
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| 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 |

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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

Communication Update

As some of you may be aware, the software we use as a school to communicate with families, changed in September. We were able to make the change without this having too much of an impact on the way we communicate with families.

However, we are aware that some families are not receiving all of our emails or text messages as they should. There are also some families who are receiving emails straight to their junk/spam folders.

In order to try to rectify this, please let us know if you are not receiving any or only some of our communications. We will then be able to look into why this might be happening.

Please also check your junk/spam folders for any emails we may send.

If you do receive any emails in your junk/spam folders, please move these emails into your inbox. This will then signify to your email server that the email is not junk/spam & you should then start to receive emails straight to your inbox as normal.

Thank you for your patience & support

If you have any other queries, please let us know

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).

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



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

'Children's Mental Health Week' is coming and here are some of the exciting events that we have planned...!

ON 11TH FEBRUARY IT'S OUR 'DRESS TO EXPRESS' DAY!

CHILDREN CAN WEAR SOMETHING TO SCHOOL THAT HELPS THEM TO EXPRESS WHO THEY ARE!



Parent Event on Thursday February 12th...

TO CELEBRATE 'CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH WEEK' WE ARE HOLDING AN NSPCC KINDNESS DAY!

PARENTS ARE INVITED TO COME INTO SCHOOL ON THURSDAY FEBRUARY 12TH AT THE START OF THE DAY UNTIL 9:30 TO CARRY OUT A KINDNESS CHALLENGE WITH THEIR CHILDREN ~ ONE OF THE CHALLENGES IS TO DONATE £1 TO THE NSPCC'S CHILDLINE A SERVICE THAT HELPS CHILDREN OF ALL AGES WHO MAY BE IN DISTRESS AND NEED SOMEONE TO TALK TO

PLEASE HELP US TO RAISE AS MUCH MONEY AS WE CAN FOR THIS
VALUABLE SERVICE FOR ALL CHILDREN

