



Friday News

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Diary Dates



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SHARE OUR PRAYERS

This week in worship we have been thinking about Judas's betrayal of Jesus. He chose to hand Jesus over to the authorities for 30 pieces of silver.

This was a painful moment, but Jesus knew that even this betrayal was part of a bigger plan.

It reminds us that even when people make bad choices, God's plans will still happen. Even when things seem broken or we make mistakes, God has a plan to bring hope and a future.

Dear God,

Thank You for always offering us a new beginning.

When we make mistakes, help us to learn, grow, and trust that Your plan is bigger than our failures.

Fill our hearts with hope and teach us to bring light to others. Amen.

APRIL

Tuesday 22nd Summer term starts for all
8.15am 'Free for All' Breakfast Club starts today

Wednesday 23rd 2JB Parents' Evening 3.30-5.40pm

Thursday 24th 3AH Non-uniform day for 'Perfect Attendance'

Year 5 Victorian Day in school

2JB Parents' Evening 3.30-5.40pm

Friday 25th Year 2 Great Fire of London Day in school
Danny Beales, MP, visiting Breakfast Club

Monday 28th Healthy Relationships workshops for Year 6

MAY

Thursday 1st 9am Coffee morning for all parents (see poster)
5JP visiting Gurwara, Southall

Friday 2nd Ark Farm visiting school for Nursery, Reception & Year 1 pupils

Wednesday 7th PSD Inclusion Football tournament

Thursday 8th Year 4 visiting Hampton Court

Week commencing Monday 12th May SATs week for Year 6 pupils

Monday 15th 5NT visiting Gurdwara, Southall

Tuesday 20th Coram Education running workshops for Year 5 & Year 6 parents.

FUNWEEKS
EASTER ACTIVE CAMP

SCAN TO BOOK

ST MARTINS CE PRIMARY SCHOOL
MONDAY 14TH - THURSDAY 17TH APRIL

FOR CHILDREN IN YEARS 1-7
BOOK THE FULL WEEK FOR A 10% DISCOUNT!
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SPORTS GAMES
ARTS & CRAFTS
PRIZES
EASTER EGG HUNT

EARLY BIRD PRICING:
BOOK BEFORE MIDDAY ON 1ST APRIL £20.00
BOOK AFTER MIDDAY ON 1ST APRIL £21.50

BOOK ONLINE:
WWW.THEPSDGROUP.ORG.UK/PSD-FUNWEEKS

Yiewsley and West Drayton TRAINING BAND

Want to learn a brass instrument? **Yes!**

£15 a term (including instrument hire and tuition)

Age 7+ (with 2 front adult teeth) and adults
Complete beginners welcomed!

A fun and friendly brass band with individual and group tuition and whole-band playing.

Wednesdays 6:45pm - 7:45pm (term time)
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EASTER CAMP



VENUE
SWAKELEYS SCHOOL,
CLIFTON GARDENS,
UXBRIDGE, UB10 0EJ

DATES
WK1: MONDAY 7TH – FRIDAY 11TH APRIL 2025
WK2: MONDAY 14TH – THURSDAY 17TH APRIL 2025

TIME 9AM-3PM **AGE** 4-13 YEARS

PRICES
WK1: £100 FOR THE WEEK
£60 ADDITIONAL SIBLINGS
WK2: £80 FOR THE WEEK
£50 ADDITIONAL SIBLINGS
£25 PER DAY

EACH CHILD
RECEIVES A
TROPHY!



BOOK NOW

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BOOK NOW

FUNWEEKS

EASTER HAF CAMP

ST MARTINS CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

HOW TO BOOK YOUR FUNDED PLACE:

ELIGIBLE FAMILIES WILL RECEIVE AN EMAIL FROM HILLINGDON COUNCIL CONTAINING A UNIQUE HAF CODE.

VISIT OUR WEBSITE:
WWW.THEPSDGROUP.ORG.UK/HAF TO VIEW PARTICIPATING VENUES AND BOOK A HAF CAMP. ONLY BOOKINGS WITH A VALID HAF CODE WILL BE PROCESSED. BOOKINGS MADE WITH AN INCORRECT CODE WILL BE CANCELLED.

IF YOU HAVEN'T RECEIVED YOUR CODE CONTACT HILLINGDON COUNCIL: 01895 277 881.

REMEMBER TO INDICATE ANY DIETARY REQUIREMENTS OR ALLERGIES AS CHILDREN WILL RECEIVE A FREE LUNCH.

- MONDAY 14TH - THURSDAY 17TH APRIL
- FOR ELIGIBLE CHILDREN IN YEARS 1-7
- 9AM - 3PM
- HOT LUNCH PROVIDED
- MULTI SPORTS, ARTS & CRAFTS, PRIZES



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0203 397 7409
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Funded places are available for families in receipt of benefit-related free school meals.

It's time for

Speak
LIKE A NATIVE

French



free
passport
on signup

Years 1-4
Mondays
After school club

[Click to book](#)

Get 2 FREE Activity Packs and a course language content break-down with your booking.

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Join Skipz for Unforgettable Easter HAF Programme

Monday, April 7 to Thursday, April 10 – 10 am to 2 pm

Free places for Free School Meals Children and paying children are also welcome

- Activities :**
- Drama
 - Dancing
 - Singing
 - Art and Craft
 - Clay Modelling
 - nutrition educational activities

Place
St Martins Primary School,
UB7 7UF

For more information and to register, please visit
<https://www.skipzproductions.org/skipzhafillingdon>





Revd Urmila & Karen Hall had a real challenge choosing from the huge amount of entries for the design an Easter Egg & Easter Bonnet competitions. The PTA sourced over 50 prizes and donations from Tesco, Sainsbury's, Farm Foods & Asda which the lucky winners have now received with their certificates. Thank you for all the amazing entries and creative designs - everyone should be proud of their beautiful artwork.

If your child would like the opportunity to show their bonnet off again, or they would like to make a new one, please come along to the Easter Sunday service and then join us for our annual Egg hunt in the Vicarage Garden. We hope to see lots of families there!

COFFEE MORNING - ALL WELCOME

We'd love to see as many families as possible at 9am on Thursday 1st May for a coffee morning! Our theme will be mental health and wellbeing, with a fun craft for you to complete with your child.

You will also be able to meet Mrs Thackeray, our Family Support worker and Mahveen Alam (Educational Mental health practitioner with CAMHS NHS) to help you gain a better understanding of the support on offer in school.

Please let the office know if you will be attending for catering purposes. Thank you.

OUR SCHOOL RULES
Kind Words, Kind Hands,
Kind Actions

OUR SCHOOL VALUES
Friendship, Trust, Compassion,
Forgiveness, Gratitude

challenge
Mr Small
Mr Nelson
& Revd Urmila

Can you learn the books of the Bible during the Easter holidays?

After Easter Mr Small, Mr Nelson & Revd Urmila will compete during a school worship to see if you can be faster than them!

maybe you can surprise them and name the books backwards or in alphabetical order?

EASTER HOLIDAYS ACTIVITY PROGRAMME

Please click on the link for all the information you need this Easter break:
<https://www.hillingdon.gov.uk/haf-programme>

CLASS OF THE WEEK

Well done to class 3MG who win 'Class of the Week' with 678 positive behaviour points. 3AH were very close behind with 649 points.

LUNCHTIME BEHAVIOUR AWARD

Each day, the hall/lunchtime monitors take the names of children who uphold the school rules or demonstrate one of our school values. Names are entered into a hat and a number of children across Lower and Upper School are selected at random and awarded with a non-uniform day for a day the following week. Well done to this week's worthy winners, who can wear their own clothes on **Friday 25th April 2025** are **Ahyan - 1SF; Alvin - 4LZ; Raika & Victoria, both 5JP; Poppy - 6MN**

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

A reminder to all parents that the school does not authorise holiday during school time. We ask that parents call the school office before 8.45am if your child will be absent for any reason. Whole school attendance from the start of the academic year is 94.2%. For the week beginning 31st March 2025 the whole school attendance was 91.6%. Our school

| CLASS | ATTENDANCE % |
|---------|--------------|
| NURSERY | 89.8% |
| RCB | 98.1% |
| RTN | 86.1% |
| 1LD | 91.3% |
| 1SF | 82.9% |
| 2JB | 93.1% |
| 2EM | 96.3% |
| 3MG | 87.5% |
| 3AH | 91.8% |
| 4JM | 97.5% |
| 4LZ | 90.4% |
| 5NT | 91.3% |
| 5JP | 91.5% |
| 6MN | 91.2% |
| 6ES | 95% |

PUPIL ABSENCES

Please can we remind you that all absences should be reported to the school office by 9am each day.

BREAKFAST CLUB

From Tuesday 22nd April, we will be offering free breakfast club from 8:15am to all families (Reception - Year 6), with free breakfast food included.

We will be serving fruit, yoghurts, toast and cereal, with a non-dairy milk as an alternative.

We will still be opening our doors at 7.45am for those families who need earlier childcare but please note that there will be a charge of £1 per day via Parent Pay, which goes towards staffing costs. You can still order food via The Pantry but at 8.15, your child will be able to have free breakfast anyway.

You will not need to pre-book for either Breakfast Club.

STAFFING NEWS

We are pleased to welcome Mrs Hill onto the school office team as Receptionist (Wednesdays, Thursday & Fridays).

MEET THE STAFF

Each week a member of the School Council will interview a teacher for the Friday News.

This week, **Gracie-Lee, 3AH** asked **Miss Penson, LSA** some revealing questions!

Gracie-Lee: If you could live in one country for free, where would it be and why?

Miss Penson: Italy, because it's a beautiful country. Rome is my favourite city and I love Italian food.

Gracie-Lee: If you could have any superpower, what would it be and why?

Miss Penson: To speak any language so that I can travel and speak to anyone.

Gracie-Lee: If you could eat one food for the rest of your life, what would it be and why?

Miss Penson: A Mediterranean diet because it's healthy and delicious.

Gracie-Lee: If you were stranded on an island, what would you take with you?

Miss Penson: My husband because he's a builder and would make me a nice house.

Gracie-Lee: If you could meet any celebrity who would it be?

Miss Penson: George Clooney, because he seems nice, is handsome and has a villa in Italy!

