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'Inspiring confident and independent learners'

21st November 2025



This Week

This week's assembly was our last whole school assembly as the stage went up on Monday afternoon so that rehearsals for Christmas shows could take place. Mrs Green led this week's assembly and following the recruitment of Michael, our new crossing patrol, she talked about road safety. We also reminded the children to bring in lots of items for next week's Christmas Fair.

Construction work is well underway around the school. Our giant playground canopy is taking shape with all the roof spars being erected this week. Construction of the new tarmac surface by the KS1 link corridor and the installation of the new scooter and cycle racks for our Year 1 and 2 children is now complete and makes access to the school safer and creates more room for bikes and scooters.

While all the above works are going on we would ask all parents and pupils to be careful around these construction areas and follow any signs/barriers to keep everyone safe.

We had one football match this week – at home on Tuesday to Hobletts Manor but unfortunately we lost 7 – 4.

Some of our Year 5 & 6 children went to London to see the stage musical 'Oliver' as part of their preparations for their Christmas Show.

Coming Up

We have decided to start Christmas a little earlier this year so our indoor Christmas decorations will be going up on Monday (24th) followed by our Christmas Lights Switch-on on Wednesday – see poster below for details and do come along for a hot drink and mince pie/chocolate cake.

Attendance Challenge – Overall Winners – 5C

1 st	Comets	96%
1 st	Stars	96%

KS1

Best Class	2BG	99.4%
2 nd	2JG	97.9%
3 rd	1MC	97.3%
4 th	1AC	94%

Christmas Fair

Don't forget to send in items for the Christmas Fair next week. We need:

- Bottles of unopened and in date drink (reward for each item sent in)
- Chocolate (reward for each item sent in)
- Decorated jars (prizes for best ones)
- Soft toys
- Cakes – on Friday please

Reception Places for September 2026

If your child will be 5 years old between 1st September 2026 and 31st August 2027 you need to apply for a Reception place now. The admissions process is on the Hertfordshire County Council website. The process closes on 15th January 2026.

Children in Need

Thank you to everyone who supported Children in Need. We raised an amazing £1105.83 for this very worthwhile charity.

Helping Hands Half-Term

Thank you to everyone who took part in this activity. The School Council have counted the money we have raised and it is an amazing £765.68. We will be spending this money immediately on Blaze Pods, trikes for nursery and Reception and a sound system for the KS1 playground. Thank you to everyone who contributed and thank you to all the children who were great 'helping hands'.

Too Good To Go

Our November Too Good To Go is on 21st November and will be a Christmas jumper and coat swap event. Please feel free to drop off any Christmas jumpers and coats to our school office. Your support is very much appreciated! We also have lots of other items available for children and parents as well as coats.

Open Table

Don't forget to come and help yourself to food from the table outside the main entrance on Friday mornings.

Family Firework Spectacular

Thank you to everyone who helped us raise an amazing £5,600 for our school at this event.

Year3/4

Best Class	3S	99.4%
2nd	4S	98.3%
3rd	3T	98.2%
4th	4B	96.5%

Year 5/6

Best Class	5C	99.7%
2nd	6H	99%
3rd	5G	98.7%
4th	6M	98%

Sports Competition Winners	Neptune
Team Point Winners	Jupiter

Vacancies:

Cleaner

Clothing and Textile Recycling

Don't forget to drop off your textiles (clothing etc) into our clothing bank in the car park to help raise funds for the School Association. Keep the unwanted items coming and away from landfill.

School Lottery

This week's lucky winner of £27.00 is a parent in year 4. Thank you for your continued support.

<https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/hobbs-hill-wood-primary-school>

School Association

To join the School Association facebook page use this link:
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/731531916907279/?ref=share>

This Week's Awards**17th November 2025**

	Class Teacher Award	Handwriting Award	Special Achievement Award
Comets	Daisy McNulty	Jeremiah Ngoma	Vienna Joshi
Stars	Violette-Rose Crowley	Addilyn Bousher	Bareera Butt
1AC	Kleon Kosova	Mihai Carstoiu	Ralph Lelliot-Fletcher
1MC	Benjamin Riley	Maksim Oleksiy	Leya Buttle
2BG	Teddy Smart	Stanley Flood	Zachary Thomson
2JG	Amaan Ashraf	Javeria Butt	Samia Rahman
3S	Aimie-Grace Hewitt	Sidrah Butt	Freya Contreras
3T	Evelyn Collins	Thomas Nicholls	Arwen Taylor
4B	Erin Boggins	Elliot Leyman	Teodora Toporas
4S	Mustafa Butt	Faizan Rahman	Robert Gheorghe
5C	Aiden Ashraf	Antonia Serban	Emily Swinchatt
5G	Sumayyah Butt	Hana Kayani	Landon Miller
6H	Muhammad Ali Saleem	Joseph Lear	Holly Charman
6M	Denis Mazuolis	Laiba Khan	Oakley Streeton

Excellent Work Awards:

Savannah Kargbo Comets

Term Dates 2025/26

Autumn Term 2025/26	Spring Term 2025/26	Summer Term 2025/26
Thursday 4 th September – Friday 24 th October Monday 3 rd November – Friday 19 th December	Monday 5 th January – Friday 13 th February Monday 23 rd February – Friday 27 th March	Tuesday 13 th April – Thursday 21 st May Monday 1 st June – Friday 17 th July
School Test Week 2026 – 11 – 15th May (absence will not be authorised during this week - except illness)		
School Journey Dates 2026 National Forest 29 th April – 1 st May 2026 Isle of Wight 22 – 26 th June 2026		

School Meal Prices (Autumn Term)

Daily £3.35 (paid by 9.00am)

Weekly £16.75

Treetops Breakfast and After School Club

The clubs run from 7.45 – 8.45 and 3.15 – 6.00pm. For more information or to book please see our website or contact the school office

Nov	
25	Girls' Football match (A)
26	Christmas discos and light switch on Governors' Business meeting

28	Year 1 Athletics event at Longdean
29	Christmas fair
Dec	
1	Flu Vaccine 2 am
2	Boys' Football match (H)
4	Boys' football match (A)
8	FS dress rehearsal (grandparents) 9.30am
9	KS1 dress rehearsal (grandparents) 9.30am FS Show 6pm
10	KS1 Show 6pm
12	2G2G open
15	Yr 3 and 4 dress rehearsal 9.30am Yr 5 and 6 dress rehearsal 1.30pm
16	Yr 3 and 4 Show 6.00pm
17	KS1 Christingle 9.00am Yr 5 and 6 Show 6.00pm
19	End of Term 2.15pm

Want to know more about the school?

Take a look at our school website for the latest news and information

www.hobbshillwood.herts.sch.uk

If you have not done so, please join our school lottery to help raise funds for school equipment and activities as well as a chance to win a prize for yourself. Join up details in poster below.



The School Crossing Patrol Team would like to introduce you to

Michael
as your School Crossing Patrol at

HOBBS HILL WOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL

For your safety could you please ensure that you cross with the patrol who will be operating at the following times

08:15 – 08:50 am
15:05 – 15:40 pm

Please always use the patrol to cross so that we can ensure that their presence is justifiable and they remain at the school



HOW TO USE YOUR SCHOOL CROSSING PATROL

The role of your School Crossing Patrol is:

To stop traffic so children and adults can cross the road safely

Please remember the following

Do not cross on the corner or away from the patrol as this is not safe for your children or yourselves. Always use the crossing point as it is a safe place to cross.

Walk bikes and scooters across the road so children do not fall or slide into the road.

Children should stay close to their adult who will keep them safe.

Stand back from the kerb and **Wait** until the patrol tells you it is safe to cross.

At your crossing point there may be parked cars on both sides of the road. Your patrol has to enter the road to see around these parked cars to stop the traffic from the opposite direction.

Please do not enter the road until told to do so by the patrol as they are there to ensure it is safe to cross.

Always walk, not run, across the road

Cross in front of the patrol, not behind, as it is safer

The patrol will remain in the road until you are safely on the other side

Hertfordshire County Council, Active and Safer Travel Team,
Farnham House, Six Hills Way, Stevenage SG1 2ST
scp.enquiries@hertfordshire.gov.uk November 2025

Can we please respectfully remind you that it is parental responsibility to get your child to and from school safely

The Snowman

Start your winter festivities with the Watford Youth Orchestra

Join us for an immersive performance of Raymond Briggs 'The Snowman'.

Experience this iconic winter tale live on screen as our **Watford Youth Orchestra** performs this spectacular score live on stage, immersing you further into the world of 'The Snowman'.



📅 Sunday 14th December

🕒 Performances at 11 am and 2 pm

📍 Watford School of Music

🎫 £15 per ticket - scan the QR code or visit our website for tickets



☎ 01923 225531

🌐 www.hertsmusicservice.org.uk/HMS-Watford



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Christmas Light Switch on

26TH NOVEMBER
6:15-6.45 PM
BETWEEN DISCOS

JOIN US IN BETWEEN DISCOS FOR OUR CHRISTMAS LIGHT SWITCH ON AND CAROLS FROM THE SCHOOL CHOIR. A FESTIVE EVENT FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY.

HO HO HO CHRISTMAS DISCO

WEDNESDAY 26TH NOVEMBER
RECEPTION - YEARS 1 & 2
5 - 6.15PM

YEARS 3, 4, 5 & 6
6.45 - 8.15PM

£5 PER CHILD INCLUDES ENTRANCE, A BAG OF SWEETS AND A DRINK, PLEASE PAY THE £5 ON ARRIVAL

4 simple steps to creating your child's christmas jar

- Step 1**
Help your child choose a jar, ensure it is clean and let them decorate it in a Christmas theme.
- Step 2**
Add a wrapped sweet treat or small toy inside the jar and secure the lid or top.
- Step 3**
Label the jar with your child's name and class on the bottom.
- Step 4**
Take the jar into school.

There will be a prize for the best jars

Enter our
Super Draw

**Win a Nintendo Switch 2 bundle –
or take the cash!**

PLUS £500 for your school!



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