

# Hobbs Hill Wood Primary School

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'Inspiring confident and independent learners'

14<sup>th</sup> November 2025



## This Week

In assembly this week Mrs Hart focussed on anti-bullying week and encouraged the children to think about how they would respond to bullying if it happened to them or if they saw it happening to someone else.

Construction work is well underway around the school. Our giant playground canopy is taking shape with the first 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 almost complete and will make access to the school safer and create more room for bikes and scooters. On Monday we refurbished the play surface under the KS1 climbing frame to remove the trip hazard caused by the existing surface. We have also resurfaced the path outside 3T as it was beginning to disintegrate and cause a trip hazard.

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 three football matches this week – at home on Tuesday and two at home on Thursday.

Today we are supporting Children in Need – we are dressing up, dancing and drawing pictures of Pudsey. Thank you to everyone who has donated to this very worthwhile cause.

## Coming Up

Next week we begin our Christmas preparations by constructing our stage in the hall and holding our Christmas Film Nights.

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

## Attendance Challenge – Overall Winners – 2BG

1 <sup>st</sup>	Comets	98%
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Stars	90%

## KS1

Best Class	2BG	99.4%
2 <sup>nd</sup>	1AC	98.7%

## 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

## Reception Places for September 2026

If your child will be 5 years old between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2026 and 31<sup>st</sup> 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 15<sup>th</sup> January 2026.

## Helping Hands Half-Term

Thank you to everyone who took part in this activity. The School Council will be counting the money we have raised and ordering the new equipment for our school.

## Poppy Appeal

Thank you to everyone who contributed to this appeal, to those who wore a poppy and for all our children and staff who observed a two-minute silence as an Act of Remembrance.

## Too Good To Go

Our November Too Good To Go is on 21<sup>st</sup> 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

We are awaiting the final figures for this event, but it looks like we raised just over £5,000 for school funds.

## Vacancies:

Cleaner

## Clothing and Textile Recycling

3 <sup>rd</sup>	2JG	95.5%
4 <sup>th</sup>	1MC	91.7%

### Year3/4

<b>Best Class</b>	4B	99%
2 <sup>nd</sup>	3S	96.1%
3 <sup>rd</sup>	4S	95.3%
4 <sup>th</sup>	3T	93.2%

### Year 5/6

<b>Best Class</b>	5C	98.7%
2 <sup>nd</sup>	5G	98.3%
3 <sup>rd</sup>	6H	96.7%
4 <sup>th</sup>	6M	96%

<b>Sports Competition Winners</b>	Jupiter
<b>Team Point Winners</b>	Saturn

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 £25.20 is a parent in year 3.

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

10<sup>th</sup> November 2025

	<b>Class Teacher Award</b>	<b>Handwriting Award</b>	<b>Special Achievement Award</b>
<b>Comets</b>	Vienna Joshi	Madina Khan	Emily Papapanagiotou
<b>Stars</b>	Zakariyya Bilal	Liana Hussain	Hareem Janzeb
<b>1AC</b>	Summer Guy	Paisley Morrissey	Juno Fisher
<b>1MC</b>	Amily Cooke	Monroe Mitchell	Rhys Patel
<b>2BG</b>	Carter Lamont	Taksh Shah	Annabel Chainey
<b>2JG</b>	Ayaan Abbas	Chloe Papapanagiotou	Anastasia Toporas
<b>3S</b>	Mia Kosova	Harry Hudson	Laura Li
<b>3T</b>	Brody Wilson	Darcy Buffham	Lily Burnett
<b>4B</b>	Christine Densley	Areej Khan	Zac Hafidh
<b>4S</b>	Anna Ashraf	Muhammad-Deen Bokhari	Tolu Olaoluwa
<b>5C</b>	Max Gray	Emily Swinchatt	Eli Shults
<b>5G</b>	Mariella Walters	Ruqayyah Akram	Saira Siddiki
<b>6H</b>	Andrei Ursache	Elizabeth Hirons	Muhammad Dayaan Asif
<b>6M</b>	Sharon Vijayarajah	Lilly Wadham	Matthew Rixon

### Excellent Work Awards:

Gwen Bannister 2JG                      Lea Nurce      4S                      Alexander-Duke Adewoyin      4S  
 Faizan Rahman      4S                      Beau Backhouse      4S                      Fared Mohammed      4S  
 Logan Brooks      4S

### Term Dates 2025/26

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

<b>Nov</b>	
18	Film Night Years 1 – 3 Boys football match (H)
20	Film Night Years 4 - 6

21	2G2G open
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
<b>Dec</b>	
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](http://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

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[scp.enquiries@hertfordshire.gov.uk](mailto: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

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