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'Inspiring confident and independent learners'

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This Week

In assembly this week we talked about firework safety and demonstrated to the children how to use a sparkler safely. We also launched our Christmas Draw to raise funds for new equipment.

Construction work is well underway around the school. Our giant playground canopy is taking shape with the first columns being erected this week. Our Link Corridor canopy was finished on Thursday and can be seen from the KS1 playground. This will provide shelter for those waiting at this entrance. Next week sees 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. On Monday we will be refurbishing the play surface under the KS1 climbing frame to remove the trip hazard caused by the existing surface.

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.



Coming Up

Next week is Anti-Bullying week and we will be focussing on how to make sure we all know how to respond to any acts of bullying.

We have three football matches next week – at home on Tuesday and two at home on Thursday. Do come along and support our teams.

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.

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

Poppies will continue to be available until Remembrance Day on 11th November when we will have an Act of Remembrance during the day and hold a two minutes silence at 11.00am to remember those who have been affected by war. Your child can make a donation to the Poppy Appeal by bringing some money into school (we would suggest £1/£2) and then take a poppy to wear on their uniform. Poppies will be available each morning.

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!

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 held our biggest and best ever Family Firework Display this week with 3,600 people attending. There were lots of exciting fireworks and everyone we spoke to said that it was an amazing display. My thanks to all those who came and helped make this a safe and successful event.

We would also like to thank Mulburries Estate Agents who sponsored all the signage for the event and supplied the Big Red Button Prize which was won by Sebastian Thomson in 2JG

On Friday we will be supporting Children in Need – please see separate letter and note the change of date.

Attendance Challenge – Overall Winners – Comets

1 st	Comets	96.7%
2 nd	Stars	89.3%

KS1

Best Class	2BG	98.1%
2 nd	1MC	96.7%
3 rd	2JG	95.5%
4 th	1AC	93.7%

Year3/4

Best Class	3S	100%
2 nd	4S	98.2%
3 rd	3T	97.9%
4 th	4B	92.6%

Year 5/6

Best Class	5G	98.7%
2 nd	6H	96.7%
3 rd	6M	94%
4 th	5C	93.7%

Sports Competition Winners	Mars/Saturn
Team Point Winners	Saturn



Vacancies:

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 £24.50 is a parent in year 1. 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

3rd November 2025

	Class Teacher Award	Handwriting Award	Special Achievement Award
Comets	Olivia McNicholl	Abdul Rehman	George Weimar
Stars	Aliyah Mellor	Antonia Albu	Austin Martin
1AC	Anna Cucu	Olivia Waller	Abigail Antoniotti
1MC	Monroe Mitchell	Frank Fletcher	Teni Olaoluwa
2BG	Safina Shah	Max Oprea	Evelyn Canty
2JG	Liyana Khan	George Frampton	Poppy Fletcher
3S	Phoebe Scott	Brooke Stacey	Jackson Dingley
3T	Ava Brien	Scarlet Blane	Teddy Hills
4B	Max Gray-Timms	Andy Morosan	
4S	Alicia Rutherford	Alexander Adewoyin	Meena Arshad
5C	Rosie Panos	Aideen Ashraf	Teddy Rogers
5G	Ruqayyah Akram	Minahil Rehman	Isha Sonko
6H	Joseph Lear	Betsy Parker	Kristian Laricevs
6M	Sofia Buttle	Darcey Butler	Luna Nurce

Excellent Work Awards:

Stanley Flood 2BG Gwen Bannister 2JG Jessica Harvey 5C
Lisa Hortopan 5C

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	
10-14	Anti-bullying week
12	School Association meeting 7.30pm in Myatt Room
14	Children in Need
18	Film Night Years 1 – 3
20	Film Night Years 4 - 6
21	Too Good to Go
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
8	FS dress rehearsal (grandparents) 9.30am
9	KS1 dress rehearsal (grandparents) 9.30am FS Show 6pm
10	KS1 Show 6pm
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.

Enter our **Super Draw**

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

PLUS £500 for your school!



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