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'Inspiring confident and independent learners'

19th June 2026



This Week

This week we focused our assembly on what to do if you are worried about something at school. We listened to a story that helped us understand that it is better to share a worry as soon as possible so that others can help you find a solution.

This week our Year 2 children visited Brighton as part of their work on The Seaside. This was an amazing adventure by train but the weather in Brighton was not great and the rain prevented us from paddling in the sea. Despite this we had a lovely time in the Sealife Centre where we were able to watch the feeding of the giant turtles and we still managed ice creams on the pier. On Thursday afternoon lots of parents of children in Year 5 enjoyed a brass performance from the children to demonstrate what they had learned in their music lessons this year.

Today we will share the new classes information for parents and children followed by an invite to our 'New to....' meetings (see calendar for dates).

On Saturday it is our fabulous Summer Fair. Do come along and enjoy all the fun and activities that the School Association has organised.

Squishes

Due to a number of incidents involving 'exploding' squishies in school, please note that these are no longer allowed in school.

Too Early for School!

If your child is in years 3 – 6, please do not send your child to school before 8.15am. The KS2 gates are opened at 8.15am. Children should not be standing outside the gates from 8.00am as they are not supervised.

Attendance Challenge – Overall Winners – 1MC and 4S

1 st	Stars	96.6%
2 nd	Comets	90.7%

KS1

Best Class	1MC	99.3%
2 nd	2BG	98%
3 rd	1AC	96.3%
4 th	2JG	95.5%

Coming Up

Next week 55 children and 6 staff will be taking part in the school journey to the Isle of Wight. They will be visiting famous places, having fun and learning to look after themselves away from home.

On Wednesday our Year 3 children will be visiting the Cleopatra Exhibition and the British Museum in London as part of their Egyptian topic. We were delighted to be able to get tickets for this exhibition as it looks amazing and also has a VR experience that everyone will be amazed by.

Sponsored Walk

We have counted the money and issued hundreds of footballs – thanks to the Year 6 team who managed all of this. We have raised the amazing sum of **£6324.33** to be spent on activities and resources for all the children. My thanks to everyone who helped us raise this fantastic amount of money.

Nursery Places for September 2026

If your child will be 4 years old between 1st September 2026 and 31st August 2027 you can apply for a Nursery place now. The application form is on our website or a paper copy can be collected from the school office. Visits to see the nursery can be arranged by contacting the school office.

Open Table

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

Vacancies:

- Finance Manager
- Teaching Assistants (SEND)
- SENCO (part time)

Please see our website for details of how to apply.

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.

Year 3/4

Best Class	4S	99.3%
2nd	4B	97.8%
3rd	3A	97.8%
4th	3W	95.4%

Year 5/6

Best Class	5G	97.9%
2nd	6T	94.7%
4th =	6M	94%
4th =	5C	94%

Sports Competition Winners	Saturn/Jupiter
Team Point Winners	Mars/Jupiter

There are an increasing number of children who arrive late for school. Please make sure that you get your child to school on time so that they can have a settled start to the school day.

This Week's Awards

15th June 2026

	Class Teacher Award	Handwriting Award	Special Achievement Award
Comets	Liam Torrens	Sin Ho Leung	Ayaan Javeed
Stars	Archer O'Sullivan	Willow Backhouse	Zakariyya Bilal
1AC	Azhan Khan	Abigail Antoniotti	Harriet Krysl-Davies
1MC	Frank Fletcher	Muhammad Ali Tufail Khan	Leya Buttle
2BG	Lorenzo Walters	Safina Shah	Carter Lamont
2JG	Scarlett Pearce	George Bone	
3S	Amina Khalid	Sidrah Butt	
3T	Yumna Asif	Ava Brien	
4B	Molly Coleman	Henry Ireland	Elliott Leyman
4S	Maeve Grogan	Freddie Hicks	Nathan Davies
5C	Eli Shults	Belle Stone	
5G	Mariella Walters	Minahil Rehman	Amelia Ahmed
6H	Joseph Lear	Andrei Ursache	Elizabeth Hirons
6M	Darcey Butler	Denis Mazuolis	Luna Nurce

Excellent Work Awards:

Kai Kitaka 2JG
Adam Pilat 4S

Esmae Buck 3S
Faizan Rahman 4S

Chace Gaskell 4S
Logan Brooks 4S

Autumn Term 2026/27	Spring Term 2026/27	Summer Term 2025/26
Thursday 3 rd September – Thursday 22 nd October Monday 2 nd November – Friday 18 th December	Tuesday 5 th January – Friday 12 th February Monday 22 nd February – Thursday 25 th March	Monday 13 th April – Thursday 21 st May Monday 1 st June – Friday 17 th July
School Test Week 2027 – 10 – 14th May (absence will not be authorised during this week - except significant illness)		
School Journey Dates 2026 Isle of Wight 22 – 26 th June 2026 School Journey Dates 2027 Sheringham 28 – 30 th April 2027 Isle of Wight 21 – 25 June 2027		

School Meal Prices (Summer 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.

School Lottery

Thank you for your continued support. Congratulations to this week's winner.

<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>

June	
18	Y2 Brighton trip Year 4 Sports at Longdean Year 5 Brass Performance
20	Summer Fair 12.30 – 2.30pm
22-26	Isle of Wight School Journey
24	Year 3 to see Cleopatra Exhibition and British Museum
26	Too Good to Go
30	New to Year 1 Parents' meeting 9.00am New to Year 4 Parents' meeting 2.30pm New to Nursery Parents meeting 6.00pm
July	
1	Year 1 visit to the Postal Museum New to Year 6 Parents' meeting 9.00am; New to Year 5 Parents' meeting 2.15pm SIP Governors meeting 6.00pm Governors' Business meeting 7.30pm
2	New to Year 3 Parents' meeting 9.00am New to Year 2 Parents' meeting 2.30pm
3	Whole School Transition morning
6-10	Celebration of the last 40 years of Hobbs Hill Wood Primary School
6	Sports Day
7	Gold cards celebration
8	Platinum cards celebration Choir performance for parents 4.00pm School Association Celebration and meeting 7.30pm
9	Year 6 Transition day
10	Reports sent out
13	Year 6 leaving outing
14	Open Evening and Families on the field 5.00 – 9.00pm – Celebrating the last 40 years of Hobbs Hill Wood Primary School
15	Gullivers' Land Whole School outing
16	End of Year Presentation Assembly Year 6 Leavers assembly 2.15pm
17	End of Year assembly End of term 2.15pm
Sept	
1 & 2	Inset
3	Children return to school

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

SCHOOL SUMMER FAIR
SATURDAY 20TH JUNE

DONATION REQUESTS

W/C 1ST JUNE
PLEASE DONATE BOTTLES AND TEDDIES
PLEASE ENSURE BOTTLES ARE UNOPENED AND IN DATE AND TEDDIES ARE CLEAN AND IN GOOD CONDITION

W/C 8TH JUNE
PLEASE DONATE BEACH BAG ITEMS IN ANY COLOUR AND ANY UNWANTED CROCKERY

W/C 15TH JUNE
PLEASE DONATE YOUR LOVELY HOMEMADE CAKES
PLEASE ENSURE ALL CAKE BOXES ARE NAMED

PLEASE DON'T FORGET WE ARE UNABLE TO RUN THESE EVENTS WITHOUT YOUR SUPPORT. IF YOU COULD SPARE AN HOUR IT WOULD MAKE A HUGE DIFFERENCE TO YOUR CHILD'S SCHOOL.

HOBBS HILL WOOD

SAVE THE DATE

Summer fair

12.30 - 2.30PM
SATURDAY 20TH JUNE

BOUNCY CASTLE, BBQ & FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED - PLEASE COMPLETE OUR FORM. AN HOUR OF YOUR TIME WOULD MAKE A BIG DIFFERENCE TO YOUR CHILD'S SCHOOL.

SAVE THE DATE!

40 years of Hobbs Hill Wood

Tuesday 14th July 2026

Hobbs Hill Wood Primary School, Peascroft Road, Hemel Hempstead, HP3 8ER

Join us for a celebration of 40 years of Hobbs Hill Wood.

An evening to celebrate, including: Open Evening, food and drink, live entertainment from pupils, a live band and an opportunity to celebrate Mr Haynes' retirement.

More details to follow.

CO-OPTED GOVERNOR VACANCIES

We are currently looking for new co-opted governors to join our friendly governing body. Our governors come from a range of different backgrounds, skills and experience but all share a common interest of wanting the best possible education for the children in our school.

Governors are essential for the effectiveness and success of the school, and it is an extremely rewarding and fulfilling role. All school Governors serve a 4-year term. They act as a 'critical friend', working voluntarily to strategically oversee the running of the school.

The main responsibilities of a Governor

As part of a team:

- Setting the strategic direction of the school
- Holding the leadership to account for the performance of the school
- Making sure that resources are used well, and that money is well spent

Requirements

There are no specific qualifications for the role of governor. You just need the right attitude, enthusiasm, and time to devote to the role.

Specific requirements for this school

We need governors with skills in either finance, health and safety, premises management, procurement, project management or human resources.

Day and times of most meetings

Full Governing Body meetings are twice a term, normally on Wednesdays from 7.30 to 9.30 pm
Committee meetings are once a term, normally Wednesdays from 8.30 to 9.30 pm

The time commitment

Approximately 10 days per year spent attending meetings, visiting the school from time-to-time and undertaking relevant training.

Why volunteer?

Volunteering as a School Governor is a great opportunity to gain leadership experience at board level as well as transferable skills that enhance performance and employability. Most of all, you will have the satisfaction of making a real difference to children's lives and helping them to realise their potential.

If you are interested in the learning more or would like to apply, please contact us on:

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Phone: 01442 401222

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