



Whole School Newsletter

Friday 4th September 2026

Be the Best You Can Be
Shine as Lights in the World (Philippians 2:15)

A WARM WELCOME BACK!

It is a real pleasure to welcome you all back after what I hope has been a lovely, fun summer holidays!

Staff had a busy couple of days at the beginning of the week getting school and classrooms ready for the children and it was great to start working with such a dedicated staff team. It has also been fantastic to see everyone settling into their new year groups over the past couple of days and seeing such happy, smiling faces around school.

As it is the start of the new school year, please remember to make sure the emergency contact details we have for your child are up-to-date. Please email the office with any changes.

Parent Pop-ins

We will be holding parent 'pop-in' sessions after school on Wednesday 9th September 2026. This will be an informal opportunity for you to meet your child's teacher and find out a little bit more information about the year ahead, including homework and home reading expectations, PE days and what the children will be learning this term and throughout the year.

These will last no longer than 10 minutes each and the sessions will be repeated so that parents with children in different classes can attend each one. The times will be:

3:30pm - 3:40pm

3:40pm - 3:50pm

3:50pm - 4:00pm

Phonics Meetings

Miss Palmer will be holding Reception and Year 1 phonics meetings for families to find out about the Little Wandle programme that we follow, how we teach phonics in school and how you can support your child with phonics and reading at home. The meetings will last no longer than 20 minutes.

Reception - Monday 14th September - Hillary classroom - 3:30pm

Year 1 - Thursday 17th September - Nightingale classroom - 3:30pm

If you are unable to attend, we will ensure that we distribute the information that is shared, following the meeting.

School Gates

A polite reminder for the start of the new year that the school gates will close at 9:00am, after KS2 children have gone into school. If your child is going to be late to school due to a medical appointment, please make sure you have contacted the office to order their dinner for that day, if needed. The cut-off time for ordering dinners is 9:30am, otherwise your child will need to bring their own lunch to school that day.

Wrap Around Care

If you would like your child to attend Breakfast Club or After School Club, please could we ask that you book them in by Friday, for the following week.

Thank you to everyone who has already made me feel so welcome, I'm really looking forward to getting to know you and the children over the coming weeks.

Thank you,

Miss Beanland

IMPORTANT DATES

- 09.09.26**
Parent pop-ins
- 11.09.26**
First Celebration
Worship 3:00pm
- 14.09.26 and
17.09.26**
Parent Phonics
Meetings
- 25.09.26**
Individual and Sibling
photos



UNIFORM

Thank you for helping the children look so smart in their full school uniforms.

A reminder to please clearly label all of your children's clothing to help us keep our lost property to a minimum and to help your child be reunited with any lost jumpers!

TERM DATES

Autumn 1	Thursday 3 rd September - Friday 16 th October
October Half Term: Monday 19 th October - Friday 30 th October	
Autumn 2	Monday 2 nd November - Friday 18 th December
Christmas Holidays: Monday 21 st December - Friday 1 st January	
Spring 1	Monday 4 th January - Friday 12 th February
February Half Term: Monday 15 th February - Friday 19 th February	
Spring 2	Monday 22 nd February - Thursday 25 th March
Easter Holidays: Friday 26 th March - Friday 9 th April	
Summer 1	Monday 12 th April - Friday 28 th May
May Half Term: Monday 31 st May - Friday 4 th June	
Summer 2	Monday 7 th June - Friday 23 rd July



PHOTO GALLERY

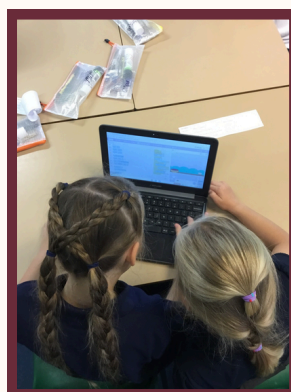


Hillary Class settling in and enjoying some drawing time.



Nightingale Class enjoying their first music lesson.

Tyndale Class getting stuck into some programming.



Bannister Class having some library time and choosing their books.