



Hindlip CE First School NEWSLETTER



Friday 6th February 2026 Spring Term Number 5

Monday W/C 9.2.26	Yellow P.E. Orange P.E.
Tuesday	Red Class P.E. Blue Class P.E.
Wednesday	Orange Class trip-packed lunch needed
Thursday	Red Class P.E. Orange Class P.E.
Friday	Red and Blue Gardening Yellow and Orange P.E.

Attendance	Red	Blue	Yellow	Orange
W/C 2.2.26	98.1%	97.5%	95.4%	97.2%

This week, we have had a truly wonderful time in school celebrating National Storytelling Week. A lovely sense of calm could be felt throughout the whole school as children paired up with friends from different classes to share and enjoy their favourite stories together. It was a joy to see the children so engaged, and staff were amazed by the level of enjoyment and interest shown in the books. As a school, we always make time for stories - in assemblies, in class, and even as a choice at playtimes and lunchtimes. This week has really highlighted just how valuable this is. Sharing stories not only supports reading skills such as vocabulary, comprehension and imagination, but it also has a powerful impact on children's wellbeing. Reading together encourages children to slow down, feel calm, build empathy, strengthen friendships and develop confidence as they talk about characters, themes and ideas.

A huge thank you to all of the parents who gave up their time to volunteer and come in to read with the children every day this week. We really appreciate your support, and it is such a valuable experience for the children to hear stories read aloud by different people. It has been a fantastic week and a lovely celebration of the power of storytelling!

We would also like to thank Miss Phillips who came to talk to Red Class about her job as a firefighter.

Next week we look forward to celebrating the amazing progress our children have made so far this year at our parents' evenings.

Have a good weekend, Mr Gromski and team.

World Book Day: During W/C 6th March 2026 we are celebrating World Book Day. Children should have brought home a book token and a leaflet with details of our World Book Day week. Please take the time to read the information as it will be an exciting week in school. Thursday 5th March will be our World Book Day dressing up day, so you may want to plan costumes over half term.

Year 4 Pioneer Meeting: Year 4 parents are invited to a drop-in session on 17th March at 3.20-3.45pm to discuss the upcoming Pioneer Activity Centre visit. This will be an opportunity to talk through practical details such as clothing, food and any questions you may have. The next payment for the Pioneer trip is due by 27th February. Completed paperwork should also be returned by 27th February.

Orange Class: Orange Class have their trip to see We Will Rock You next Wednesday 11th February. Please remember to provide your child with a packed lunch as we will need to eat early prior to this event.

After School Club: Please let Mrs Rogers know of any changes to your child's after school club needs for after half term. If you do not make any changes she will bill you on the current hours. Friday after school club will change to gardening after half term. Wellies are needed.



Reading Morning: Reading Morning starts on Thursday 12th January. Parents of Blue, Yellow and Orange pupils are invited into school to read with their children. This is held from 8.50am-9.10am. Please wait in the playground until we register your child.



Please see page 2 for diary dates and 4 for after school clubs.

Doodle Challenge: There is a doodle challenge set for all pupils to stay in the green zone from 5th -12th February (so a 10 minute practise everyday should do this). Pupils from Year 2 - Year 4 have been registered to enter the competition so that they can be in with a chance of winning prizes worth £75.

Achievement Awards

Head Teacher's Awards

Red Class: Caleb Blue Class: George W
Yellow Class: Eliza Orange Class: Jacob

Value Awards

Red Class: Mariam Blue Class: Alice
Yellow Class: Fletcher Orange Class: Amelia

Readers' Awards

Red Class: Annie Blue Class: Lydia
Yellow Class: Tommy Orange Class: Mollie

50 Read Certificates

George P

Breakfast Club

Ellie

Dates for the Diary – Spring Term

9th February	Parents' Evening 2pm—4pm
10th February	Blue Class Coffee Morning 9am-10am
11th February	Orange Class trip- packed lunch needed
11th February	Blue Class Phonics Club 8.10am
12th February	Parents' Evening 3.30pm—7.00pm
16th - 20th Feb	Half Term
24th February	Yellow Class trip— letters out 8.1.26
25th February	Blue Class Phonics Club 8.10am
27th February	Instalment for Year 4 residential due by this date
4th March	Blue Class Phonics Club 8.10am
5th March	World Book Day
9th March	Orange Class trip-details to follow
11th March	Blue Class Phonics Club 8.10am
17th March	Year 4 Pioneer drop in 3.20pm
18th March	Blue Class Phonics Club 8.10am
20th March	Comic Relief
25th March	Blue Class Phonics Club 8.10am
26th March	Easter Service - Salwarpe Church 1.30pm-2.30pm — letter to follow
27th March	Last instalment for Year 4 residential due by this date
27th March	End of Term
13th April	Back to school
21st April	Year 4 Bell Boating (drop off at Vines Park 9am, collect 2.45pm)
30th April	Year 4 Bikeability (a bike will be needed to be dropped at school am)
1st May	Road Safety Day
5th May	Road Safety Day
4th May	May Day
6th May - 8th May	Year 4 Residential
7th May	Year 3 Activity Day
25th—29th May	Half Term
4th June	Class and Leavers' Photos
10th June	New Parents Evening for Reception 2026 5.30pm-6.30pm
1st June	Inset Day
30th June	Sports Day
7th July	Sports Day reserve if weather is inclement on 30th June
16th July	Year 4 Leaver's Service 2pm
17th July	End of Term

Weekly Gardening Timetable	Spring Term 2026
Red Class	Friday
Blue Class	Friday



Gardening: Pupils who do gardening should come to school in old clothes that you don't mind them getting dirty. All pupils should bring wellies in a named bag that they will change into for their gardening session. A weather appropriate coat should also be worn.

Attendance Ted is awarded to Yellow Class for their 100% attendance last week.

Nuts in School: We are a nut free school therefore no nut products of any sort are allowed in school.

Well done to all our award winners.



SCHOOL DAY CLUBS

Doodle Club Doodle Club will run on Monday lunchtimes for years 2–4 from 12- 12.20pm. Pupils can drop in when they wish so there is no need to book.

Singing and Recorder Club This club runs every Monday and Wednesday starting from 8th January from Monday 12.00 - 12.20pm and Monday 8.15-8.45am for years 2 – 4. Pupils will use their learnt songs to perform at school functions. The cost is £2 per week. Permission slips are available from the office.

Multi-Sports Club Monday–Friday lunchtimes run by AJB sports coaches. No need to sign up, unlimited places available, children should take a sports bib and line up at the entrance to the game on the playground.

LITTLE DEER- AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS - SPRING 2

Monday 3.15pm - 4.15pm ART CLUB

Tuesday 3.15pm-4.15pm COOKING CLUB

Wednesday 3.15pm-4.15pm GAMES CLUB

Thursday 3.15pm-4.15pm SCIENCE CLUB

Friday 3.15pm - 4.15pm GARDENING CLUB

Each club is £5 per child for the hour. Paid half termly in advance. Places are limited and will be offered on a first come first served basis. Please complete a booking form with your requests.

After School Club: This club is bookable termly using a booking form which you can get from the office. Mrs Rogers will bill for each half term using the information on the booking form. If you have any changes please complete a further booking form at the end of each half term for her to change the bills.

Please note that the best way to make adhoc after school care bookings/changes is directly with Mrs. Rogers and or by emailing the school office. The new after school care mobile number is 07462580143.

[This number can be text directly to book in; Mrs Rogers is busy in her teaching assistant role during the day, so is unable to text back, however, this phone is checked at 3:00pm every day so your child will have a space.](#)

Please state your child's name when communicating via text. There is a new portable black doorbell at the front office, please press the bell button, wait for a response, then hold the talk button to talk.



Celebrating National Storytelling week sharing stories with our friends







Blue class had a fab time sharing stories with the other classes as part of National Storytelling week. They also enjoyed the live lesson with the National Literacy Trust.





Yellow class enjoyed reading with Red and Blue class 📖 .





Orange class learnt that a mirror is not a light source. It reflects light. We carried out different functions activities to learn more about reflection.





What an amazing day we had learning about ancient Egypt during our Egyptian workshop.





Looking at artefacts helped us to understand what life was like in ancient Egypt.



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