Reception Welcome Meeting

EYFS & KS1 Leadership Team



Mrs Taylor
Headteacher



Mrs Wilkes
Deputy
Headteacher



Mrs Williams
Assistant
Headteacher



Mrs Cooper
SENDCO

Class Teachers

RA
Miss Bansal

RB
Ms Attan

RC
Mrs Solanki

Learning Support Assistants

Mrs Crew

Mrs Donnelly

Mrs Begum

Mrs Zabinska

School Sessions

This year all children will start school on **Thursday 3rd September 2026**.

Times for **Thursday 3rd** and **Friday 4th September.**

Morning: **8.50am – 11.30am** (Doors open at 8.40am)

Lunch: 11.30am – 12.30pm

Afternoon: **12.30pm to 1.30pm**

School Sessions

School Times from **Monday 7th September 2026**

Morning: **8.50am** – 11.30am (Doors open at 8.40am)

Lunch: 11.30am – 12.30pm

Afternoon: 12.30pm – **3.20pm** (Doors close at 3.30pm)

Late Collection of pupils – School will charge for any children being collected late. Late is deemed when the child is being collected from the main entrance. This is charged because there is a cost to school to supervise the child. The charge for the academic year will be **£2.00 per child for every 10 minutes** they are collected late.

Transition day

Wednesday 15th July 2026

9.30-11.15

Please collect your children on time.

Collecting children from school

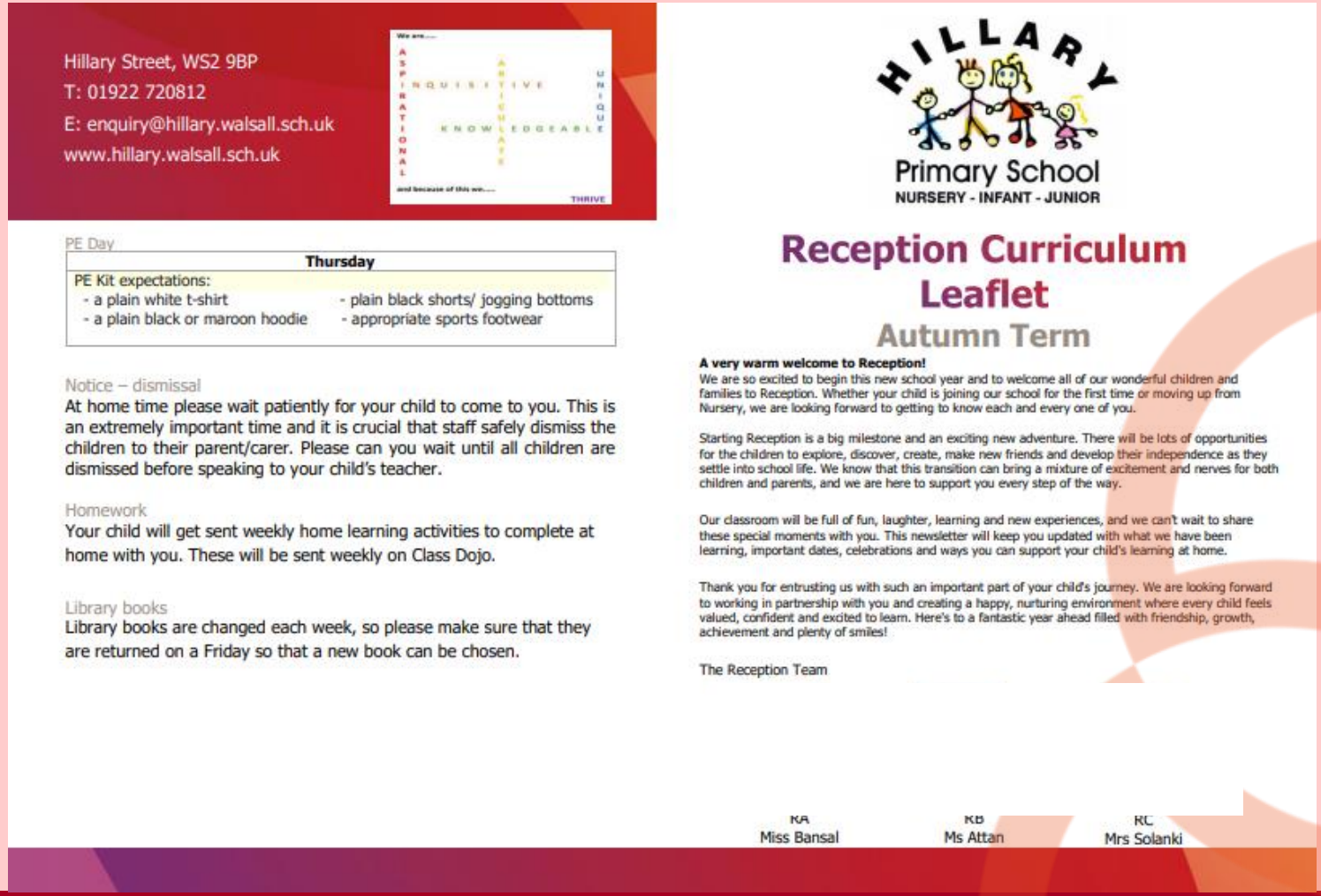
Who will collect your child?

- Let us know the names of all people who have permission to collect your child.

- If you are delayed or unable to collect your child for any reason please telephone school in advance, or as soon as possible, on 01922-720812 giving the name of the person collecting your child instead of you.

Reception Curriculum Overview

You will receive a termly Newsletter detailing all of the curriculum information for the upcoming term.



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T: 01922 720812
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PE Day

Thursday	
PE Kit expectations:	
- a plain white t-shirt	- plain black shorts/ jogging bottoms
- a plain black or maroon hoodie	- appropriate sports footwear

Notice – dismissal

At home time please wait patiently for your child to come to you. This is an extremely important time and it is crucial that staff safely dismiss the children to their parent/carer. Please can you wait until all children are dismissed before speaking to your child's teacher.

Homework

Your child will get sent weekly home learning activities to complete at home with you. These will be sent weekly on Class Dojo.

Library books

Library books are changed each week, so please make sure that they are returned on a Friday so that a new book can be chosen.

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Reception Curriculum Leaflet

Autumn Term

A very warm welcome to Reception!

We are so excited to begin this new school year and to welcome all of our wonderful children and families to Reception. Whether your child is joining our school for the first time or moving up from Nursery, we are looking forward to getting to know each and every one of you.

Starting Reception is a big milestone and an exciting new adventure. There will be lots of opportunities for the children to explore, discover, create, make new friends and develop their independence as they settle into school life. We know that this transition can bring a mixture of excitement and nerves for both children and parents, and we are here to support you every step of the way.

Our classroom will be full of fun, laughter, learning and new experiences, and we can't wait to share these special moments with you. This newsletter will keep you updated with what we have been learning, important dates, celebrations and ways you can support your child's learning at home.

Thank you for entrusting us with such an important part of your child's journey. We are looking forward to working in partnership with you and creating a happy, nurturing environment where every child feels valued, confident and excited to learn. Here's to a fantastic year ahead filled with friendship, growth, achievement and plenty of smiles!

The Reception Team

RA	RB	RC
Miss Bansal	Ms Attan	Mrs Solanki

Uniform

- a white polo shirt or shirt
- maroon jumper or cardigan
- black or grey trousers or knee length skirt
- No laced shoes.















PE Day RA, RB and RC will be having PE on Thursdays.

✓ ACCEPTABLE











X NOT ACCEPTABLE





Earrings must be covered with plasters by parents or removed.



Uniform

Expectations for Shoes, Bags and Coats

- Pupils should wear plain black shoes, no high heels.
- Pupils can bring bags to school , preferably a school book bag.
- Pupils are expected to wear a coat which is suitable for the weather. During the colder weather pupils will not be allowed to play outside if they do not have a suitable coat to wear.

Expectations for jewellery

Jewellery is not to be worn in school with the exception of stud earings.
The accidental pulling and catching of earrings, facial piercings, rings and necklaces during play can cause severe damage to fingers and ear lobes.
Pupils will be asked to remove earrings or tape over studs during P.E if worn to school.
Pupils should not wear jewellery on a P.E. day.
The school cannot accept responsibility for the loss or damage of items of jewellery and watches.

Uniform

Expectations for Hairstyles

Pupils can style their hair in the way that is appropriate for school yet makes them feel most comfortable. Long hair must be tied back in school for reasons of health and hygiene.

Expectations for pupils who choose to wear Hijab

- only pupils in Years 5 & 6
- grey, black or maroon in colour
- pull on version due to health and safety reasons
- must be removed for P.E. lessons



Trips and Enrichment Opportunities



























Homework Expectations

Children will be given weekly activities linked to our topics. This will be a literacy and a maths activity for your child to complete, which will be sent home on every Friday and expected to be returned to school on the following Monday. Children will be rewarded with class dojo points.



Books

1000 stories— Children can choose a book each week from our selection of 1000 stories to enjoy at home. These must be returned to exchange for another.

RWI books—if your child is still on the RWI reading scheme they will bring a copy of the book they are reading home to practise. These will be changed weekly but need to be brought to school daily.

Library visits – Reception will visit the school library every week.

There will be a £5 charge for damaged or lost reading books.

Please make sure your child reads every day.

Snack Times

Water Bottles

Children may bring in a clean water bottle to drink from during the school day. Children are able to re-fill bottles at school. Please ensure they are clearly labelled with your child's name.

Milk and fruit

Children will receive free milk until they turn 5 years old. If you wish for your child to have milk after this time, this must be booked and paid for on the Arbor app, a term in advance at a cost of £12 per term.

Children will receive a piece of fruit for snack each day.

Lunch Times

All children in EYFS are entitled to free school meals. Meal choices must be booked via the Arbor app.

If your child is free school meals, you must still make a meal selection on Arbor. If you do not, then your child will be given a Jacket potato.

All meals must be booked the day before by 11.30pm.

Lunch Times



Packed Lunches

You are welcome to send in a healthy packed lunch for your child. No fizzy drinks are allowed. Please ensure lunch bags are clearly labelled and strictly no glass bottles are to be sent to school.

Nut Free School

We are a nut free school. Please ensure you do not send anything that contains nuts in your child's lunchbox. Nutella and pesto contain nuts so please avoid sending these into school. We have several students who are allergic to nuts and this will help to ensure their safety.

Behaviour and Rewards

The behavioural policy is underpinned by five school values and the Curriculum Drivers

The values promote:

Respect- Children and staff will show courtesy towards all

Reflection- Children and staff show consideration in all situations

Reciprocity- Children and staff show cooperation

Resourcefulness- Children and staff can show self control

Resilience- Children and staff show a commitment to learning

Behaviour and Rewards

Curriculum Drivers

Aspirational: We want our pupils to aspire to be whatever they wish to be.

Inquisitive: Our pupils will have a thirst for learning and want to find out more.

Articulate: Our pupils will be able to communicate effectively with a range of audiences.

Knowledgeable: Our pupils will be knowledgeable about the world.

Unique: Our pupils will be confident in themselves and know who they are and why they are important.

Thrive: Our pupils will be fulfilled and well-rounded individuals .

Behaviour and Rewards

Rewards

'Special Mentions' assembly. Head teacher reward for good behaviour, politeness, good work, kindness to others- always linked to our school values and drivers .

Class Dojo - privileges

Governor Star Award

Attendance Award

Behaviour and Rewards

ClassDojo is used as a visual way for children to track their own behaviour. They can see their points accumulate over the week.

There is a wide array of reasons they can be awarded points, for example: attendance, punctuality, following a school value, demonstrating a school driver, etc...

However, points can also be deducted for the same reasons.

Parents are also able to access this to monitor how their children are getting on in school.

The child with the most points is awarded with a privilege card.

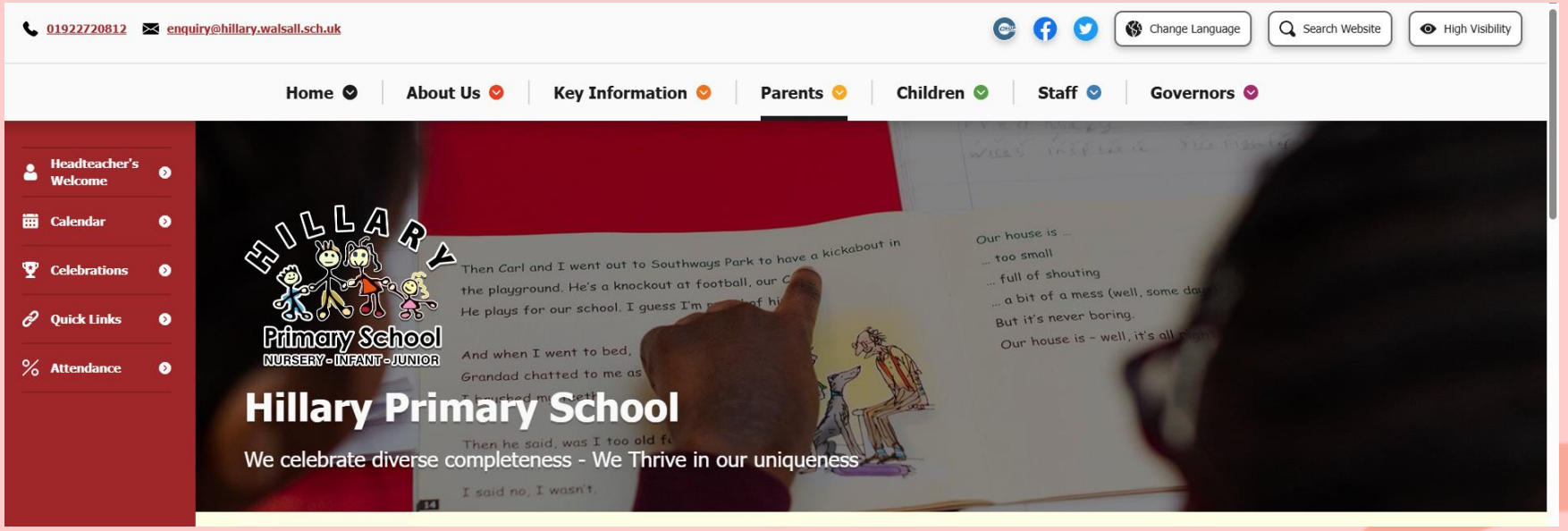
Birthdays

As we are a healthy school, this year we will be continuing our successful birthday book scheme. On your child's birthday please do not send sweets or cakes into school. If you wish to, you may purchase a birthday book from school. Your child will receive two books, one to enjoy together with their class and the other to take home. A birthday book costs £1.



Our school website address is:
www.hillary.walsall.sch.uk
Our school email address is
Enquiry@hillary.walsall.sch.uk

On there you can find our school policies and other important information about school life.



Year Pages

Home >> Parents >> Year Pages

Rainbow Room

Nursery

Reception

Lunch

Home >> Parents >> Lunch

School Dinner Payments:

School meals are now available for you to book and pay for on the Arbor App. All meals must be booked the day before by 11.30pm.

Reception, Y1 & Y2:

Children are entitled to universal free school meals. Parents / Guardians will still be required to log onto Arbor and make a meal choice selection. If you do not make a meal choice selection, your child will be given a cheese sandwich and a piece of fruit.

Y3, Y4, Y5 & Y6:

Parents / Guardians will need to ensure that they have topped up their child's meal account, as well as making a meal selection on Arbor. If there isn't enough money in your meal account and you have booked a meal your child will be given a cheese sandwich and a piece fruit and you will still be charged £2.50 for the meal.

If you only top up your meal balance and do not make a meal selection (by 11.30pm the day before) your child will be given a cheese sandwich and a piece of fruit and you will still be charged £2.50 for the meal.

Thank you for listening!

