

Newsletter HWIS 22nd July 2026



Message from Mrs Boorman

I am not sure how to start this final message for the mailing as it has been such an amazing year in school.

I would like to thank you all for the ongoing support that you have provided for your children and also the staff in school. The partnership between parents/carers and us as a school is the reason your children continue to do so well and make so much progress. The children are a credit to you and we have all enjoyed seeing them develop as the year has passed.

Y2 leaving events

There are no words to describe just how amazing the Year 2 children performed last week, I was sad to have missed it. The children moved the staff and parents to tears. We are incredibly proud of them all but particularly those who started as shy 4 year olds who were able to perform for such a large audience – well done Year 2 and the staff for facilitating it.

The highlight of this week has been the water fight where the Year 2 children and staff were cheered on by the YR and 1 children as well as Y2 parents. Everybody was absolutely soaked.

In the final assembly this afternoon, we have said 'goodbye' to the Year 2 children. We wish them well in their new Junior schools and know they will continue to do well and hope that they 'pop back' to let us know how they are getting on. We have also said 'goodbye' to Mrs Ray-Anderson and Miss Joliffe who have worked at HWIS since January. We wish them well and genuinely hope they stay in touch and let us know they are getting on. It is a huge loss for us as a school but we know that they will enjoy their new challenges.

Hedgehog Class

We have finalised the additional cover required in Hedgehog Class on a Wednesday now. We are pleased to let you know that Mrs Way will continue to teach Miss Finn's class in her absence alongside Mrs Lee. Thank you for your understanding with this.

September 2026

Tour dates for children looking to start school in September 2027 will be released at the start of the next academic year. Please do sign post any friends or family members that will have children starting school to book a tour around school.

In preparation for the change of classes in September, transition books have been added to the mailing so that you can share these over the summer.

Fundraising

We are incredibly grateful for the continued support of our amazing school community.

A huge thank you to our wonderful tuck shop team and to everyone who has supported our tuck shop this year.

Thanks to your generosity, this has enabled us to treat every child in the school to a refreshing ice pop or ice lolly today to help keep cool in the warm weather.

We would also like to say a heartfelt thank you to all the families who kindly donated money for our old library books we raise £60. Your support is helping us continue to develop our school library and inspire a love of reading in all our children.

All that is left for me to say is that I hope that all our staff and families enjoy a well-deserved, restful summer break and we look forward to the next academic year with you all.

A note from the Chair of Governors

Just a quick note to wish all our children well for the summer holidays. We hope they have enjoyed the past year, learning so much. The governors have enjoyed the school trips as much as the children!

We hope the Y2 children will move onto their next school well prepared and we look forward to the new YR's coming in September. The new Y1 and Y2 children will be welcomed back too!

The governors are looking add two parent governors to the Governing Body and if anyone is interested, please look at www.hants.gov.uk/governors-volunteers¹ which describes the role. We will be sending out parent governor election papers in September and hope we will be successful and welcome two new members to our team.

Meanwhile we hope you all have a wonderful summer!

Karen Wills

Chair of Governors

Spotlight Family Fun Day



A promotional poster for a family fun day event. The poster has a light blue background with a dark blue header. The header contains the 'SPOTLIGHT UK' logo with the tagline 'Creating positive memories' and the text 'Saturday 25th July 10-4pm'. Below the header, the main title 'FAMILY FUN DAY' is written in large, bold, purple letters, followed by 'Tickets £10 for all day' in a similar font. The central part of the poster features six small photographs arranged in two rows of three. The top row shows a black inflatable obstacle course, a green and yellow inflatable dinosaur, and a red inflatable structure resembling a train or a large truck. The bottom row shows a red inflatable structure, a blue and red inflatable slide, and another red inflatable slide. Below the photographs, the text 'Bouncy castles, slides, laser tag, rodeo bull & more at Robert Mays School in Odiham' is written in a black font. At the bottom of the poster, the contact information 'Please email activities@spotlightuk.org to book' and the website 'www.spotlightuk.org Reg Charity 1129258' are provided.

SPOTLIGHT UK
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Letters home

Letters Home (<https://www.hwis.hants.sch.uk/letters-home/>):

¹<http://www.hants.gov.uk/governors-volunteers>

Whole School:

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Year R:

Year R reading celebration letter

Year 1:

No specific mailing

Year 2:

No specific mailing

Diary Dates



23.7.26 - 31.8.26 Summer Holidays

1.9.26 Inset Day - school closed to all children

2.9.26 First day back to school for Year 1 and 2

Inset Days



Inset Days for 2026-2027

1st September 2026

23rd October 2026

12th February 2027

28th May 2027

5th July 2027

General Reminders



- **Allergies** - Please remember we are a nut and shellfish free school. Please ensure items containing these are not sent in to school in your child's lunchbox.
- **Punctuality** - A reminder that the classroom doors open between 8.45 – 9am to enable a staggered drop off. We have noticed an increase in lateness in some children. This impacts hugely on their learning so please ensure your child is in school on time. If punctuality continues to be a concern, schools have a responsibility to follow this up with possible legal action.
- Please do not play or kick balls or ride scooters on the playground during school drop off or pick up.
- *If your child has a medical appointment and is going to be late in to school you will need to order their lunch in advance. Please let the office know which lunch option they would like at the same time you advise of the appointment (or check with the office the lunch options that day if you need to).*
- *The play equipment **must not** be used before or after school – our insurance is not valid. **Children have been told that if they are caught using the play equipment before or after school, they will lose dojo points.***
- We are looking for some volunteers that may be able to commit to helping in school on a regular basis. This may be to get experience of working in school before completing childcare training or just because you have some spare time on your hands and would like to be involved in school life. You could help with the library, gardening, run small groups or help hear those children that don't read at home. If you are interested in this,

please email parent.mail@hwis.hants.sch.uk². We would need to initiate a DBS (safeguarding check).

²<mailto:parent.mail@hwis.hants.sch.uk>