



Hackwood Primary Academy
Newsletter
2025/26 - Spring | February 2026



Dear Parents / Carers,

We have had another productive half-term. The overwhelming majority of our children continue to make great progress in their learning and continue to uphold our Hackwood Expectations of being respectful, persevering and taking pride in all that they do. We have had some inspiring lessons over the course of the half term learning our curriculum and being inspired by our subjects, whether that's Science, RE, Art, Geography or Spanish - the children have demonstrated a desire to learn and are enjoying the curriculum.

We are always looking at ways to enrich our curriculum and have developed exciting and engaging activities that strengthen our curriculum offer. Some of the highlights for this half-term include children going to Conkers to improve their Geography skills, taking part in NSPCC Number Day to raise awareness of this crucial charity, our amazing school choir performing at the national Young Voices concert, our Woodpeckers learning how to do Morris dancing in a workshop, Geography workshop on India, Author visit celebrating multilingualism, a Julia Donaldson day in EYFS as well as a Sports enrichment day linked to the Six Nations Rugby. It has been an excellent start to 2026!

This half-term children learnt about Safer Internet Day and strengthened their understanding of how to use the internet safely. We ask you to continue to remind your children about online safety to make sure they are using the technology responsibly and safely.

Thank you for all the support you provide with completing home learning challenges, supporting your child with reading and learning their times tables. These are vital skills and we very much appreciate the support. Thank you to all the parents that attended the Author visit, Y4 Multiplication Check workshop and made an appointment for a Parent / Carer consultation this half-term.

School will be closed for INSET on Friday 13th February and will re-open after the half-term break on Monday 23rd February. We hope you have a great half-term break!

Mr Miah
Principal

We believe in ourselves, to achieve our goals and succeed.

We value your feedback, advice, suggestions and support. Please can I request you to complete the annual survey. Thank you to everyone that has already completed this, it is much appreciated.

Hackwood Parent survey - Spring 2026



We would appreciate it if you can take a few moments to complete our survey.
We value your ongoing support and feedback.

Many Thanks



Attendance and Punctuality - Moments Matter - Attendance Counts

As you are aware - great attendance and punctuality at school allows children to have the best chance of success.. It is crucial that parents and carers are aware about the importance of great attendance at school. We ask that you continue to support us in making sure attendance for your child is the best it possibly can be. As a reminder if your child is ever absent from school or is late to school that the school office should be informed. Thank you to all parents and carers for your continued support in this endeavour.



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There's nowhere better than school to discover your talents, take on new challenges and find out what really makes you happy. It's exciting, sometimes a bit scary, but always rewarding.

Because school means *more*



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 learning

School isn't just about boosting your brainpower. It's about finding out amazing new things and gaining skills that will stay with you forever. Every day at school is a new chance for discovery.

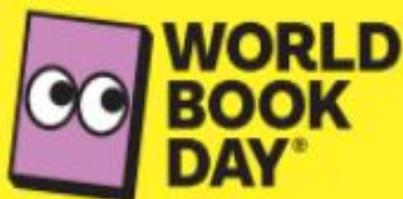
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Parking / Driving outside the school

We would like to remind parents and carers to take care when dropping and picking your child up from school. The area around school gets very busy during peak times especially in bad weather. We ask you to be mindful of parking around the school and encourage where possible to walk to school or park further away from congested areas. We have noticed recently, occasions where parents parking irresponsibly caused obstructions to others and request that this stops. Thank you for your co-operation.

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We're celebrating World Book Day & you're invited!

When:

Thursday 5th March 2026

Where:

Hackwood Primary
Academy

How we're celebrating:

Come to school in an outfit
inspired by reading!

You could dress up as your
favourite character, an
author, dress as a word, or
wear comfy reading clothes.

We look forward to celebrating
World Book Day and seeing all of
the fantastic book-inspired outfits!



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Compass Changing Lives - Parents/Carers coffee morning
Our SENDCo - Miss Wilkhu will also be on hand during the morning if you have any questions or concerns that you would like to raise. Book the date - Thursday 12th March - Thank you!



PARENT/CARER COFFEE MORNING



Supporting your child with worries and anxiety

**with Compass Changing Lives - Mental Health
Support Team**

Pop in for coffee/refreshments and find out about how to support your child with worries and anxiety.

Gain some practical strategies and take away techniques to support you and your child.



**Taking place at:
Hackwood Primary
Academy**

**Thursday 12th of
March**
9am - 10:30am
Presentation from Changing Lives,
lasting around 45 minutes with
additional time for questions



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These are the clubs we have running for the Spring Term 2



**FOR YEARS
3 to 6**

**AFTER SCHOOL
CLUB AT**
**Hackwood
Primary Academy**



**Football
Wednesday
3:15pm to 4:15pm**



£23.75 – 5 WEEKS
ONLY £4.75
PER SESSION

**Ofsted
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2025-2026 - Dates for the Diary

Please note diary dates may be changed and not all dates are on the calendar yet. Any changes and additions will always be communicated to parents with as much notice as possible.

Academic Year - 2025-2026

Friday 13 th February:	INSET Day - School closed for pupils
Monday 23 rd February	Pupils return to school for the start of Spring 2
Tuesday 24 th February	Y3 Parents and Carers Consultations
Thursday 26 th February	Y2 Parents and Carers Consultations
Thursday 5 th March	Y5 Parents and Carers Consultations
Thursday 5 th March	World Book Day - non-uniform
Monday 9 th March	Nursery Parents and Carers Consultations
Thursday 12 th March	Compass Changing Lives - parent/ carer coffee morning from 9-10:30am
Wednesday 18 th March	School class photos
Friday 20 th March	INSET Day - School closed for pupils
Tuesday 24 th March	Year 1 trip to Derby Museum
Wednesday 25 th March	Year 3 and Year 6 Workshops on Brazil and Mayan Civilisation
Friday 27 th March	Easter Bonnet Parade (weather permitting)
Friday 27 th March	INSPIRE Open Afternoon for parents and carers from 2pm
Friday 27 th March	Last day of Spring 2
Monday 13 th April	Pupils return to school for the start of Summer 1
Monday 4 th May	Bank Holiday - School Closed
Monday 11 th May	KS2 SATS Week
Wednesday 20 th May	Reception Trip to Matlock Farm Park
Friday 22 nd May	Last day of Summer 1
Monday 1 st June	INSET Day - School closed for pupils
Tuesday 2 nd June	Pupils return to school for start of Summer 2
Thursday 11 th June	Y6 Trip to University of Derby
Friday 19 th June	Soccerstars enrichment day - PE kit all day
Wednesday 24 th June	Year 6 Residential until Friday 26 th June
Friday 10 th July	Summer Fair from 2pm
Tuesday 21 st July	INSPIRE Open Afternoon for parents and carers from 2pm
Wednesday 22 nd July	Last day of Summer 2

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