



Remembrance

Two of our wonderful children represented the school at the annual Streatham War Memorial Remembrance Sunday service last weekend. They laid a wreath on behalf of the Hitherfield community at the moving ceremony. Our older children took part in the 2 minute silence at 11am on Monday in the school playgrounds.



Dates for the Diary

Wednesday 20th November - 6
Wolverine Class Assembly and Open
Morning 9:15am – 10:30am

Thursday 21st November - 6 Puffin
Class Assembly and Open Morning
9:15am – 10:30am

Friday 22nd November - 6 Orca
Class Assembly and Open Morning
9:15am – 10:30am

Tuesday 26th November – Year 6 and
Reception Height and Weight

Thursday 28th November – Year 3
Capoeira Workshop

Friday 29th November – School Book
Fair 3:30pm

Friday 13th December – Christmas
Lunch

Anti Bullying Week

Well done to our Wellbeing Champions, for leading on the 3 Anti Bullying Week Assemblies this week.

The theme this year was "Choose Respect" and they did a fantastic job in presenting and speaking in front of their friends and peers. Pascale and Suzy were especially proud!





GOOD NEWS CARDS

Congratulations to these children who have really impressed their Teachers this week.

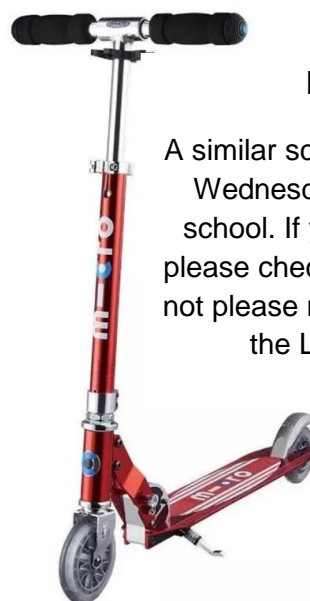
1 COBRA	1 DUGONG	1 SUNBIRD
Esme and Jesse	Otilie and Eshan	Thomas and Logan
2 MANATEE	2 MONGOOSE	2 HUMMINGBIRD
Gus and Ruby	Elyn and Romy	Isaiah and Kadir
3 JAGUAR	3 MACAW	3 ANACONDA
Clara and Frankie	Isabelle and Zara	Finley and Afifah
4 HIPPOPOTAMUS	4 FLAMINGO	4 CHEETAH
Rex and Ted	Acacia, Ayana and Albie	Atarah and Titus
5 KINGFISHER	5 HEDGEHOG	5 OTTER
To be announced next week	Dorry and Edgar	Shawnelle and Theo
6 ORCA	6 PUFFIN	6 WOLVERINE
Fatmire and Francis	Theo and Chioma	Beatrice and Shawn-David

Music Concert Dates Years 3 & 4

Tuesday 26th November - LMS Music Concert 3
Jaguar & 4 Flamingo 2:45pm – 3:15pm

Tuesday 3rd December - LMS Music Concert 4
Cheetah & 4 Hippo 11:15am – 12pm

Wednesday 4th December - LMS Music Concert 3
Anaconda & 3 Macaw 2:45pm – 3:15pm



Missing Scooter

A similar scooter to this, went missing on Wednesday from the scooter park in school. If your child has the same one please check that it is the correct one. If not please return it to the scooter park by the Leigham Vale entrance.

Thank you.



CHRISTMAS CONCERT DATES

Tuesday 10th December – Reception Concert 10am–11am

Wednesday 11th December – Nursery Concert 10am–11am

Tuesday 17th December – 1 Cobra, 2 Manatee and 3 Anaconda Concert
10am–11am

Tuesday 17th December – 4 Cheetah, 5 Otter and 6 Orca Concert
2pm–3pm

Wednesday 18th December – 1 Dugong, 2 Hummingbird and 3 Macaw
Concert 10am–11am

Wednesday 18th December – 4 Flamingo, 5 Kingfisher and 6 Wolverine
Concert 2pm–3pm

Thursday 19th December – 1 Sunbird, 2 Mongoose and 3 Jaguar Concert
10am–11am

Thursday 19th December – 4 Hippo, 5 Hedgehog and 6 Puffin Concert
2pm–3pm

**All performances will take place in the Studio. Space are limited so we
ask that only two adults per child attend, Thank you**



LOVE TO SING?

WHY NOT JOIN
**HITHERFIELD'S
CHOIR OF FRIENDS!**

FOR PARENTS AND CARERS OF HITHERFIELD

- NO CHOIR EXPERIENCE NEEDED -
- ALL SONGS LEARNT BY EAR (NO SHEET MUSIC) -
- SING FOLK, POP, ROUNDS AND SHANTIES -
- AUDIO LEARNING TRACKS PROVIDED -
- A GREAT WAY TO MEET OTHER HITHERFIELD PARENTS/CARERS -
- FUN, RELAXED AND INCLUSIVE -
- BABIES/TODDLERS WELCOME -

SPRING TERM STARTS 20TH JAN
NOT SURE IF ITS FOR YOU?
TRY A DROP IN SESSION!

EVERY MONDAY 9:15AM TO 10:15AM
IN THE DOWNSTAIRS HALL

£70 PER 10-WEEK TERM
FREE PLACES AVAILABLE TO
THOSE ELIGIBLE FOR PUPIL PREMIUM

Email choir leader Ian Bennett
if you'd like a place or free taster session:
ibmuso@gmail.com



2024 Hitherfield PTA discounted

Mistletoe & Pine Christmas Trees

- Premium Grade 'non-drop' Nordmann Fir Trees
- **Special Hitherfield Prices (discounted from 2023!)**
(savings up to 22% vs direct from M&P)
- **Flexible collection** between Friday 29th November and Friday 13th December, inc. Saturday mornings

Approximate sizes:

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| • 3ft - £28 £44.99 | • 6ft - £55 £69.99 |
| • 4ft - £34 £49.99 | • 7ft - £65 £89.99 |
| • 5ft - £45 £59.99 | • 8ft - £77 £99.99 |

Hitherfield Staff - to place your order please scan the QR code to the right to pay and complete the order form. Please email **hitherfieldchristmas@gmail.com** to confirm you've paid. Many thanks!

SumUp



Order Form



All Parents - please complete the order form and make payment through ParentPay. Many thanks!



HITHERFIELD PTA INVITE YOU
TO OUR

Christmas **FAIR**

FRIDAY 6TH DECEMBER 2024
3.15PM - 5.30PM

**JOIN US FOR DELICIOUS FESTIVE FOOD
AND DRINKS, SANTA'S GROTTTO, RAFFLE,
GAMES, CAKES, FACEPAINTING, ARTS &
CRAFTS, TOMBOLA, LIVE MUSIC AND SO
MUCH MORE.
EVERYONE WELCOME!**





SCHOOL TERM AND HOLIDAY DATES 2025/2026

Autumn 2025

Inset
Inset
Children Start
End of Term

Term One

Monday 1st September 2025
Tuesday 2nd September 2025
Wednesday 3rd September 2025
Friday 24th October 2025

38 Teaching Days

Children start
End of Term

Term Two

Monday 3rd November 2025
Friday 19th December 2025

35 Teaching Days

Spring 2026

Inset
Children start
End of term

Term Three

Monday 5th January 2026
Tuesday 6th January 2026
Friday 13th February 2026

29 Teaching Days

Children Start
End of term

Term Four

Monday 23rd February 2026
Friday 27th March 2026

25 Teaching Days

Summer 2026

Inset
Children start
Bank Holiday
End of term

Term Five

Monday 13th April 2026
Tuesday 14th April 2026
Monday 4th May 2026
Friday 22nd May 2026

28 Teaching Days

Children start
End of term
Inset

Term Six

Monday 1st June 2026
Friday 17th July 2026
Monday 20th July 2026

35 Teaching Days

Total Teaching Days 190

Bank and public holidays

- Thursday 25th December – Christmas Day
- Friday 26th December – Boxing Day
- Thursday 1st January – New Year Bank Holiday
- Friday 3rd April – Good Friday
- Monday 6th April – Easter Monday
- Monday 4th May – May Day Bank Holiday
- Monday 25th May – Spring Bank Holiday
- Monday 31st August – Summer Bank Holiday



NOVEMBER 2024

HITHERFIELD PTA UPDATES

The Big Gig

Thank you to everyone that joined us at The Big Gig this Thursday evening, whether as a performer, volunteer or in the audience. We hope you enjoyed the event as much as we did and we look forward to announcing the total raised next week!

Goody Bags

This week, your children will be given small plastic bags to take home. As every year, the goody bag stall is always one of our most popular stalls of the fair. Please fill them up if you can, and drop them back at the office before the 6th December. Instructions are included within.

WARM-UP FRIDAYS ARE BACK!

15th November
22nd November
29th November

Join us in the main playground, from 3.15pm for hot chocolate, tea, coffee and delicious treats!

Please bring your own mug if you can. We accept cash or card. All funds raised go towards the PTA.



HITHERFIELD PTA
Non Uniform Day

Friday 22nd November 2024

In return we ask that you bring in a tombola prize - this could be a box of chocolates, bottle of drink, candles, perfumes, diffusers, unopened gifts, anything that you would be happy to win yourself! For the Teddy Tombola, you can donate any soft toy. We will be collecting the donations on the morning of the 22nd outside the main office. Alternatively you can donate £1 in cash or you can scan the QR code below!

Please note we will not be accepting second hand toys this year.
Thank you!



Donations Needed

Planning for the Christmas Fair is in full swing, but we need your support to make it a success. We need donations of high quality and unused gifts for the tombola, unwanted teddies for the teddy tombola and sweets and trinkets for the goody bags. Know a friendly local business? Please ask for a raffle prize donation or let the PTA know. Just as importantly, we need your time! Please sign up to our volunteer sheet to help run the event on the day. Even one hour makes a huge difference.

[Volunteer Here!](#)

Meet the PTA

Ian Bennet - Committee Member



Hi there! I'm Ian Bennett. I have a child in yr 2 and have been on the PTA for about a year and have loved it! It has been great getting to know other parents through the PTA and learning a bit more about how the school operates; and lending a hand where I can. I organised The Big Gig, which happened last night. It was fantastic leading on a big fundraising project and feel so proud to be able to help improve the school for my son and others, with the invaluable help of my fellow PTA members and other parent volunteers. Outside of school I run my own business as a musician and music educator. I lead the Hitherfield parents' choir (Choir of Friends) and really love how music connects people and helps build community.

If you have any questions, comments or suggestions, please email us at hitherfieldpta@gmail.com



Join trained florist Emily Andrews as she shows you how to make your very own Christmas wreath. You will be provided with a fir and moss wreath, to which you can add foliage, dried fruits, glitter, baubles and feathers to get into the festive spirit. You can be as creative as you like! The mulled wine may help too. The price includes supporting our school gardener with wreath-making classes for the pupils, mulled wine & mince pies! All funds raised go to the PTA.

December

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Start 7 PM



PRIMARY SCHOOL HALL

Spaces are very limited, book your spot on ParentPay now!





HITHERFIELD PTA PRESENTS

Santa's Grotto!

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5th & 6th
December

Meet Santa and his elf!

THIS YEAR, YOU WILL HAVE TWO OPPORTUNITIES TO
MEET SANTA.

JOIN US ON THE 5TH & 6TH DECEMBER FROM 3.40PM AT
SANTAS CHRISTMASSY CABIN.

TICKETS WILL ONLY BE SOLD VIA PARENTPAY SO PLEASE
MAKE SURE YOU HAVE AN ACCOUNT SET UP IN
ADVANCE. WE WILL NOT BE ACCEPTING WALK-INS.

TICKETS WILL GO LIVE ON MONDAY 18TH NOVEMBER AT
6PM, AT £3.50 PER CHILD. TICKETS ARE LIMITED SO BE
QUICK!




Adorable Blessings

B A B Y B A N K

Pre-loved items for babies and children

Saturday 30th November
12.00pm - 2.00pm

 65 Effra Road, Brixton SW2 1BZ

**To avoid disappointment please book a slot
between 12pm - 1pm**

**Book by contacting Beverley on 07832 235721
or Angela on 07960 612581 or email
b.randall@mosaic-clubhouse.org**

Drop in is between 1pm - 2pm





Cut fuel costs this winter

- Get cost-cutting energy saving advice
- Tips on tackling condensation and mould
- Hear about the priority service register
- Find out about emergency fuel vouchers
- Collect your free carbon monoxide alarms

Thursday 28th November 2024

10.30 - 11.30 am

Max Roach

Loughborough Community Centre
Wiltshire Rd
London
SW9 7NE



**HOME
START**
Lambeth

