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Remembrance Sunday



Children from Hitherfield laid a wreath on behalf of the school at the Remembrance Sunday service at the Streatham War Memorial on 8th November. The children are photographed with Chris and Steve Reed, MP for Streatham and Croydon North. At 11am on 11th November the children in Years 4, 5 and 6 joined in the national 2 minute silence in the playground.





Dates for the Diary

Wednesday 18th November
1pm –6pm Nursery Parents' Evening
There is no afternoon nursery on this day for all pupils

Wednesday 18th November
Comedy Night 6:30pm food and drink performance starts at 7:30pm – 9:30pm in the main hall

Monday 23rd November
Reception - Year 6 Flu Vaccination

Tuesday 24th November
Year 4 and those in Otter Class Music Concert in the Studio 11:15am – 11:30am

Tuesday 24th November
3 Jaguar Music Concert in the Studio 3pm – 3:15pm

Wednesday 25th November
Year 4 trip to Stockwell Green Mosque

Thursday 26th November
1 Sunbird trip – A walk around London

Friday 27th November
1 Cobra - A walk around London

Friday 27th November
Book Fair in the main hall 3:30 – 5pm

Tuesday 1st December
1 Dugong – A walk around London

Wednesday 2nd December
Year 6 Junior Citizenship Scheme trip

Friday 4th December
Tender and RE:SET Supporting your Child to Cope with Change – parent/carer session 9:15 – 10:15am

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GOOD NEWS CARDS

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

1 COBRA	1 DUGONG	1 SUNBIRD
Jody, Kira-Blue, Rory & Effie	Arto and Alora	Teddy and Aya
2 MANATEE	**2 MONGOOSE**	**2 HUMMINGBIRD**
Iris and U'riel	Antoni and Teddy	Ana and Ziggy
3 JAGUAR	**3 MACAW**	**3 ANACONDA**
Ottilie and Reuben	Mia and Noor	Idris and Sarah
4 CHEETAH		**4 FLAMINGO**
Luca and Vicenzo		Cole and Ashira
5 KINGFISHER	**5 HEDGEHOG**	**5 OTTER**
Shaban, Ariadne and Wilf	Riven and Shayla	Rowan and Leyla
6 PUFFIN		**6 WOLVERINE**
Frankie and Mireya		Ellis and Jonah

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Hitherfield Friday Maths Challenge

Challenge A

Which of the following is closest to the length of my little finger?

A 1 foot
B 2 km
C 3 mm
D 4 m
E 5cm



Challenge B

What is the smallest possible number of children in a family, if each child has at least one brother and at least one sister?

A 2
B 3
C 4
D 5
E 6

Answers will be given at KS1 and KS2 Good News assemblies each week.

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Parents/Carers of children in Reception - Year 6

The Lambeth Immunisation Team will visiting Hitherfield Primary School on Monday 23rd November 2026 to administer flu vaccinations. If you would like your child to receive the vaccination, please complete the consent form using this link - https://cypcis.kingstonandrichmond.nhs.uk/flu/2026/lambeth

Please ensure that you select **Hitherfield Primary School**, and not **Hitherfield Children's Centre**, when completing the vaccination consent form. Selecting the incorrect setting may result in your child's name not appearing on the NHS vaccination list, which could prevent the NHS team from administering your child's vaccination on the day.

Please note that your child will not receive the vaccination unless parental/carer consent has been given.

Don't forget to vote in the Parent Governor election. We have five excellent candidates to choose from, so show your support by taking part!

Withdrawal Of Books

We are withdrawing books by the author David Walliams form the library. If your child has currently lent one of these books please return it to the orange box outside the main school office when you have finished with it. Thank you.

Nursery Parents' Evening
Wednesday, 18 November·1:00 – 6:00pm
There is no afternoon nursery on this day for all pupils

Bookings now available using the new Arbor App

The PTA will not be running a second-hand toy stall this year and therefore please do not bring in any hard/wooden toys to school. We are accepting pre-loved soft toys that are in good condition, for our Teddy tombola and any unopened, unwanted toys for the regular tombola.



Spring bulb competition

The spring bulb packs, paid for on parent pay, have begun their journey home. The hyacinths and tete a tetes should have been making their way to you yesterday and today.

Most of the King Alfred DAFFODIL bulbs have NOT been packed yet and will NOT be sent home till NEXT THURSDAY.

Each bulb should have a pot, compost, a bulb and instructions. If you are missing anything in your packs, please wait till next Friday before letting us know as it may still be sitting in the greenhouse amongst the daffodil pots.

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People's Emergency Briefing

On the climate and nature crisis



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Join us for a **free film screening** and discussion, organised by Lozzie and Sally (Y2 and Rec), Manuela (Rec).

The film includes testimonials and reactions of several aspects of the climate emergency.
If you care about:

- air pollution
- the cost of living
- food prices
- responding to our changing climate

For adults of the Hitherfield Community only - please book tickets.

www.nebriefing.org

Hitherfield School,
(Room TBC)

Wednesday 16th December 2026
3:30pm - 6pm (after school)

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Free Parent Guide to Student Success

A free eBook for parents and carers from Elevate Education

Completely free – and yours to keep

We're pleased to share a free resource with you from **Elevate Education**, who work with schools on study skills, motivation, exam preparation and wellbeing. Their **Parent Guide to Student Success** is a 260-page guide written specifically for parents, drawing on 25 years of research with over 3,000 schools and a million students each year. **It's especially useful as your child prepares for secondary school.**

What's inside?

- Getting your child motivated, and keeping them there
- What studying actually means, and why most students never get past homework
- Preparing for exams and managing the stress around them
- Time management, organisation and ending the last-minute all-nighters
- Technology and distractions
- Building resilience and recovering from a disappointing result

Running through all of it is practical advice on how to raise these topics with your child at home.

Free live parent webinars

Downloading the guide also gives you access to Elevate's free live webinars for parents. The remaining sessions this term are:

How to Help Your Child Study with ADHD
Tuesday 24th November, 6:00pm – 7:00pm

How You Can Build Resilience in Your Child
Tuesday 15th December, 6:00pm – 7:00pm

Can't make it live? A recording and resources are sent out afterwards.

Download your free copy

Scan the QR code or click below:

Click here to download

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Happy reading!

The Parent Guide to Student Success and parent webinars are provided by Elevate Education.

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tender RE:SET

Parent and Carer Information Sessions on Relationships Education

Hitherfield Primary School are working with Tender Education and Arts this year to become a Healthy Relationships Champion School!

RE:SET is their Healthy Relationships programme, and they are supporting us to deliver Relationship Education sessions throughout the school. They will also be supporting families in how to talk to children about healthy relationships.

Tender will be hosting in-person information sessions for all parents and carers on the following topics:

Introduction to Tender and RE:SET Project & Healthy Relationships Online
Friday 20th November, 9:15 - 10:15am, in-person

This session will explain who Tender are and the aims and structure of the RE:SET Project which Hitherfield are taking part in this year. It will also help you to understand the potential risks and harms of children using technology and online platforms, and give you skills in how to support your child in using these platforms safely.

Supporting your Child to Cope with Change
Friday 4th December, 9:00 - 10:00am, in-person

This session will develop your knowledge about the kinds of change children can face and the impact it can have on them. It will help you to develop strategies to support your child to cope with and adapt to change.

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SEND Parent Coffee Morning

Meet other parents, share experiences and help set up a school-based working group for parents of children with SEND.

WHEN	TIME	WHERE
Wednesday 2 December	9:15 to 10:15am	Main Hall

Led by parents and facilitated by the Contact team.

What is a SEND Parent Working Group?

A friendly group of parents and carers who meet once a term to share experiences, support each other and tell the school what families need. No committee, no minutes and no homework. Come when you can.

Why come along?

- Meet parents who understand
- Find out about support across Lambeth
- Help shape practical ideas that work for families
- No commitment: come once and see

Ideas we could try

1. **Termly coffee mornings**
   One hour after drop-off, once a term.
2. **Workshops you choose**
   Run with Lambeth services on topics such as EHCPs, sleep, behaviour or moving to secondary.
3. **Working together**
   Share what helps your child and suggest small, practical ideas we can build on together.
4. **Welcome buddies**
   A friendly face for families who are new to SEND or new to the school.

Everyone is welcome. All parents and carers of children with SEND can come, with or without an EHCP or diagnosis. Stay for the hour or pop in for a cuppa.

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HITHERFIELD PTA PRESENTS

COMEDY NIGHT 2026

AS SEEN ON MOCK THE WEEK & HEARD ON THE NEWS QUIZ

ALASDAIR BECKETT-KING

'Either a genius or a very silly man' Rolling Stone



AS SEEN ON THE RHOD GILBERT SHOW

JENNY COLLIER

'Refreshingly original' Broadway Baby



ALEXANDER BENNETT

'Warm, insane and very funny' Evening Standard



AND YOUR HOST...

BEN VAN DER VELDE

'A master of audience interaction' Huffington Post



A FUN NIGHT WHILST ALSO FUNDRAISING FOR YOUR SCHOOL!

WEDNESDAY, 18th NOVEMBER

Bar & Food 6:30, Comedy & Bar 7:30 - 9:30

Buy tickets now on ParentPay
£10 in advance or £12 on the door

(Pre-order food on Parentpay until 11th Nov. Veggie Curry & Rice £8)

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Christmas jumper sale

Has your child outgrown their Christmas jumper/dress or festive top?

The PTA is collecting pre-loved Christmas clothing to help get ready for the festive season and raise funds for our school.

Why donate?

- Reduce waste
- Support sustainability
- Get ready for Christmas Jumper Day & festive celebrations

What we're collecting

- Christmas jumpers
- Festive tops/t-shirts
- Dresses
- Cardigans
- Child and adult sizes

Please ensure items are clean, in good condition and ready to wear. The sale will take place on 3 and 4 December.

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Drop off at the school office by: Friday 27 November

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Dream BiG Young Parents' Hub

Let's start working Employability Skills Course
Build your skills, boost your confidence and access the support you need to thrive - both personally and professionally!

Are you a young parents under 30 years old?
Are you looking to get into work?
Are you looking to start your own business?



Supporting young parents into the labour market!

This course will equip you to get into your chosen pathway:

- Discover what you really want to do
- Gain the knowledge, skills & work experience to get there
- Find jobs, create CVs, submit applications & succeed at interview
- Develop business proposals
- Develop resilience and thrive
- Take part in self-care activities

Register now

🕘 12-3pm
📍 Hitherfield Primary
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