

JOHN HELLINS PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER



FRIDAY 13TH MARCH 2026

British Science Week

This week we were delighted to celebrate British Science Week across the school. All classes took part in additional science learning, carrying out exciting investigations and experiments that encouraged curiosity and discovery. It was wonderful to see the children asking thoughtful questions and exploring scientific ideas in practical and engaging ways. As part of the week, Year 2, Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6 took part in workshops delivered by Launchpad STEM. These hands-on sessions were a real highlight and helped to spark enthusiasm and excitement for science. The children thoroughly enjoyed taking part and the workshops certainly helped to ignite a passion for STEM learning.



Celebration Assembly

Well done to our children who were on the hard workers bench this week!



Hodgkin Class Trip

Hodgkin Class had an exciting visit to the Space Centre, where they learned more about space, planets and the incredible technology used in space exploration. The trip was a wonderful opportunity to bring their learning to life and the children enjoyed discovering fascinating facts about our universe.



Can you help look after Toffee?

We are looking for volunteers to help care for Toffee, our school rabbit, during the weeks commencing 10th August and/or 17th August. If you are able to help during either of these weeks, we would be very grateful. Please use the link in the body of the email to sign up.



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Key Stage 1 Multi-Sports Event

On Monday, our Key Stage 1 pupils took part in a multi-sports event where they had the opportunity to try a range of activities and challenges. The children participated with great enthusiasm, showing excellent teamwork, determination and sportsmanship throughout the event. They represented the school brilliantly and should feel very proud of their efforts.

Gas works

Cadent have informed us that gas works will take place on Brownswood Drive during the Easter holidays to avoid disruption to the school day. Further works will take place on Mays Way after the Easter break, which will involve temporary traffic lights.

As always, we encourage parents to park at the Sports and Social Club or The Cock Pub to help reduce traffic around the school.

Class Trips

We have a number of exciting trips coming up over the next few weeks:

- Franklin Class – Thrift Farm
Wednesday 18th March
- Edison Class – Kenilworth Castle
Thursday 26th March
- Newton Class - Woburn Safari Park
Wednesday 29th April
- Anning Class - Adventure 4 you
Thursday 16th July

Please make sure you check your emails carefully for further information and consent details so that your child can take part.

Headlice

We have had a number of reported cases of head lice. We would be grateful if you could please check and comb your child's hair this weekend and treat if necessary.

If head lice are found, children should be treated before returning to school to help minimise the spread. However, children do not need to be kept off school as long as appropriate treatment has been started.

Come and Learn - Monday

Next week we will be holding a Come and Learn session on Monday from 8:40–9:10am. Parents and carers are warmly invited to join us in school to take part in reading activities with their children. These sessions are always a lovely opportunity to share learning together and we hope many of you will be able to join us.

Easter Events Coming Soon

As we approach the end of term, we have some exciting Easter activities planned. Easter raffle tickets will go on sale during the last week of term and this is always a very popular event with lots of fantastic egg prizes to be won. To add to the Easter excitement, all children will be taking part in a special whole-school treasure hunt called "The Great Easter Egg Heist" on the last day of term. We are sure this will be a fun and memorable activity for everyone involved.



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Calendar of Events

16th March 8:40 - 9:15am	Come and Learn - Reading
17 th March	R.E day - Buddhism
18 th March	Franklin trip to Thrift Farm
26 th March	Edison trip to Kenilworth Castle
26 th March 3:15pm - 4:15pm	Family Cafe
27 th March	Non Uniform Day
27 th March	Easter Egg Raffle
27 th March	John Hellins Great Golden Egg Heist
30th March - 13th April Easter Holiday	
23 rd April	Maths Day with Sums of Anchercy
29 th April	Newton trip to Woburn Safari Park
30 th April	Dental visit for 5 year old children
30 th April	Family Cafe
4 th May	Bank Holiday
8 th May	Disco
22 nd May - 1:00pm -3:00pm	Summer Dance Event
25th - 31st May Summer Half Term	
4 th June 1:00pm - 3:00pm	Sports Day
5 th June	Sports Day Reserved Date
15 th July	Leavers Showcase
16 th July	Anning trip to Adventure 4 you
17 th July	Last Day of Term
20th July - 1st September Summer Holidays	
2 nd September	First Day of Autumn Term
23rd October - 1st November October Half Term	
17 th December	Last Day of Autumn Term



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AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

NEXT WEEK...

SPIES AND DETECTIVES WEEK



- Decoding secret codes
- Super sleuth scavenger hunt
- Invisible ink messages
- Fingerprint investigation
- Secret spy obstacle course

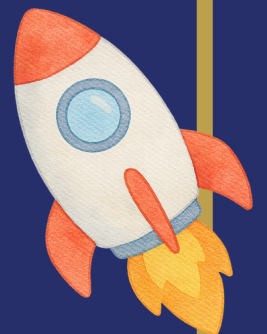
**BOOK NOW
ON
PARENTPAY!**

BREAKFAST CLUB

NEXT WEEK... **Scientists Week**



- Balloon rockets
- Scientists badges
- Building structures
- Nature hunt



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John Hellins Easter Event



Friday 27th March 2026

The Great Golden Egg Heist

A Golden Egg has been stolen! Children must solve clues across the school to find the Golden Egg!

Which team will be the first to find the Golden Egg?

The John Hellins Easter Raffle

Our famous John Hellins Easter Egg Raffle. Thank you for your donations from our non-uniform day!

Tickets will be on sale from 23rd to 26th March