



Hillborough Infant and Nursery School New Term News – 5th September 2025

Dear parents and guardians,

Welcome back to a new school year at Hillborough Infant and Nursery School! We hope you had a restful and enjoyable summer break.

We are thrilled to see our pupils return with such enthusiasm and positivity. The start of term has been fantastic—children are settling quickly into their routines, and classrooms are already buzzing with learning and creativity.

A special welcome to all new families joining our school community this year. We are excited to have you with us and look forward to supporting your children as they settle in, and thrive.

We are also delighted to introduce our new staff members who have joined the Hillborough team this term. They bring fresh ideas and valuable experience, and we are confident they will help us continue to provide the best possible education and care for your children.

Our new staff are:

- Miss G Kiff – Assistant Headteacher for EYFS
- Mrs V Maples – SENDCo
- Mrs K Puddefoot – Class teacher for Saplings
- Miss H Begum – Class teacher for Maple
- Mrs Z Basit – Joint class teacher for Elm

Summer holiday learning - Thank you so much Year 1 and 2 children for completing your summer holiday home learning so amazingly! Mrs Barber and I have loved looking at your books, thank you all again. I have given your teacher's a Headteacher's Award certificate to hand out. If you have not handed your books in yet, do not worry, bring them in as soon as you can and you too can get a Headteacher's Award certificate.

School timings – the school day will be starting at 08:50 with doors closing at 09:00. Doors will be shut promptly and children will need to be taken to the main reception. **The school day will be ending at 15:30 and children will need to be collected at that time.** If you are aware that you are going to be late, do contact the school and let them know.

School uniform – as set out on the school website and without exceptions. If you are struggling with uniform or other uniform related concern, do not hesitate to make contact with our Family Support worker – Mrs Owen.

Values and behaviour – we have four simple rules that are linked to our core value, that we C-A-R-E
C- community (**we make sure our community is a safe place for learning and playing**), A – aspiration (**we try our best**), R – respect (**we treat ourselves, others and our school environment with respect**), E – empowering (**we help ourselves and others**). From CARE, we have our four expected behaviours: We walk around the school in silence; we listen when someone is talking; we keep our hands and feet to ourselves and we look smart and presentable. Our children really supported us when we designed our new policy back in March 2023.

PE days and kit – you will have received notifications around PE and what your child needs for each session. **Reminder – your child’s PE kit should be brought into school and remain here during the half term.** All information can be found on the school’s website.

Attendance – everyday counts! Good attendance is vital for all children, and we work to ensure all children achieve that. We will be working closely with families to ensure good attendance.

Term Time Leave – we would like to remind you that term time leave is only granted in **exceptional circumstances** and **MUST** be agreed by the Headteacher. Any application **MUST** be completed and returned to school, no later than 14 days prior to the request. You will be expected to attend a meeting, in school, to discuss the request before a decision is made. All details can be found by clicking on the following – [Term Time Leave of Absence](#).

Well-being team - Help us to support your child. If you are worried or concerned about anything that may affect your child’s day in school, do let a member of teaching staff or our well-being team know.

Family Support Worker – please remember that **Mrs Caron Owen** is contactable, via the school, in the usual ways. Mrs Owen is out and about most mornings on the playground, as is our Senior Leadership Team and SENDCo – we are here to support you

SEND – our SENDCo, Mrs V Maples, can be contacted via the usual methods and by using the **email address – inclusion@hillboroughinfantschool.uk.**

School Website – our website is mobile phone friendly and has most information on it. You are able to use the translation tool on the site to convert most pages to the most common languages that our families use. Our year groups will be able to share all the exciting things that classes have been working on or studying. Click on this link to find the website – [Hillborough Infant School website](#)

Dates and events – via our website, do check the calendar on the site for the latest information. We will send out ParentMail if there is something specific

School lunch ordering – do not forget to order your child’s lunch via **Select**. We offer a wide range of hot and cold options.

Wishing you a lovely weekend, hopefully with some sunshine.

Hillborough Infant & Nursery School Team