



## Hampton Court Palace

Year 5 visited Hampton Court Palace and became Tudor time travellers as they went back in time to learn more about Tudor life and the infamous king, Henry VIII. The children explored different parts of the palace, including the huge Tudor kitchens where food was prepared for Henry VIII and his guests. During their exciting visit, the children explored the grand palace rooms, investigated fascinating Tudor artefacts and learnt about what life was like during the Tudor period. They also visited the Chocolate Kitchen and found out how chocolate was once enjoyed as a special drink by the rich. The children enjoyed walking around them beautiful gardens and spotting fountains and colourful flowers along the way. Throughout the day, they learnt lots of interesting facts about the Tudors and were able to bring their history learning to life outside of the classroom.



## Year 6 Trip to Northala Fields

On Friday 15th May, our Year 6 pupils enjoyed a well-deserved treat to celebrate the end of their SATs week. To mark the occasion, the children visited Northala Fields for a fun-filled and relaxing day outdoors. The pupils made the most of the beautiful surroundings by climbing the famous hills, enjoying a picnic together, and spending time exploring the ponds and play areas. It was a wonderful opportunity for them to unwind after a week of hard work and to enjoy some time with their friends and teachers outside the classroom. The trip was a great success, with plenty of smiles, laughter, and positive energy throughout the day. We are incredibly proud of all our Year 6 pupils for their effort and determination during SATs, and this trip was a perfect way to celebrate their achievements.





## Mental Health Awareness Week 2026

From Monday 11th to Friday 15th May, our pupils took part in Mental Health Awareness Week, with this year's theme: "Take Action." The week focused on the importance of supporting mental health through positive actions for ourselves, others, and our wider community. Throughout the week, pupils took part in a social media poster campaign. They explored ways to take action for their own wellbeing, support others, and think about wider changes that could improve mental health for everyone. The pupils then created their own posters using the Mental Health Awareness Week template. The posters created by the pupils were used to share their messages and ideas. It was a valuable week of reflection, creativity, and discussion around the importance of mental wellbeing.



## Well Done Year 6!

A huge congratulations to all of our Year 6 pupils for completing their SATs this week. We are incredibly proud of the hard work, determination, and resilience they have shown throughout the year and during the tests themselves. The pupils approached the week with a fantastic attitude and should all feel very proud of their achievements. To celebrate all of their efforts, Year 6 will be taking part in a variety of exciting activities over the coming weeks, so stay tuned for more updates and celebrations!

## Preparing for the Change in Weather – Summer

Now the weather is getting warmer, please ensure that your child comes to school wearing sun cream and is equipped with a bottle of water and a hat, as they will be taking part in a lot of outdoor activities. Thank you.



## Help Your Child Beat Exam Stress:

Tests and exams can be a challenging time for children and young people, as well as for parents, guardians and carers. However, there are ways to help ease stress and support wellbeing. Please refer to NHS guidance below for helpful strategies on managing stress during this period. If you feel your child may need additional support, we encourage you to reach out to your school or college, where staff will be happy to provide further advice and assistance. <https://www.therosedalehewensacademytrust.co.uk/help-your-child-beat-exam-stress>



## Support Available for Families During the Half Term Holiday



## Half Term Break – Monday 25th May – Friday 29th May

The School will be closed from Monday, 25th May to Friday, 29th May for the Half Term holiday. The School will reopen on Monday, 1st June at 8:30 a.m.

With the half-term holiday approaching, we would like to make parents, guardians, and carers aware of the support available for families who may be experiencing financial difficulties. The Government's Crisis and Resilience Fund provides targeted support to residents facing financial hardship. In line with national guidance, this fund is not intended to offer universal holiday meal vouchers. Instead, support is provided on an individual basis through an application process, allowing families to share information about their specific circumstances. This ensures that assistance is directed to those most in need. Families who feel they may benefit from this support can apply directly, and any enquiries can be sent to [CrisisandResilience@Hillingdon.gov.uk](mailto:CrisisandResilience@Hillingdon.gov.uk). We would also like to remind families about the Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) Programme, which is available for children from Reception to Year 11 who are eligible for benefits-related free school meals. The programme runs during the Easter, summer, and winter holidays and offers a range of enriching activities alongside nutritious meals. The HAF programme is funded by the Department for Education (DfE). Further information, including eligibility details, can be found on the Hillingdon Council website. <https://www.therosedalehewensacademytrust.co.uk/support-available-for-families-during-the-half-term-holiday>



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[www.therosedalehewensacademytrust.co.uk](http://www.therosedalehewensacademytrust.co.uk)

## After School Fun Clubs

After School Fun Clubs will begin on the week beginning Monday 27th May 2026. To ensure that every child has a fair opportunity to take part in a club, each child will be limited to one club. Letters were sent out on Friday 24th April and must be returned to the school office by Monday 28th April. Please note that after school clubs end at 4:00 p.m., and once your child has been allocated a confirmed club, you must ensure they are collected promptly. After school clubs will run from Wednesday 29th April to Thursday 2nd July 2026.

## Enriching Wraparound Care Sessions!

In January 2026, we launched our brand-new Wraparound Care Programme—designed to make after-school hours stress-free for families and enriching for pupils. With a wide range of activities including dance, sports, creative arts, as well as mindfulness and relaxation sessions, children benefit from a safe, structured, and inspiring environment every day. We encourage all parents, guardians, and carers to explore the available sessions and secure a place for their child via iPayimpact. With flexible pick-up times, affordable pricing, and special offers available when booking multiple sessions, our programme is a fantastic way to support both busy families and happy, engaged children. Don't miss out—book now to guarantee your child's place!

Brookside's **NEW** After-School Care Sessions - Starting January 2026

**7:45am to 6:00pm**  
**Monday to Friday**  
**First Session**  
**Completely FREE!**

 Golf	 Dance	 Tennis
 Football	 Basketball	 Homework & Crafting

**SUMMER TERM 2026**

**Staff Training:** **Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April 2026**  
 (Half day) [Training – morning only]  
 [Parent Consultation – afternoon and early evening]

**Staff Training:** **Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> April 2026**  
 (Half day) [Training – morning only]  
 [Parent Consultation - afternoon and early evening]

**Term Begins:** **Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> April 2026**

**Bank Holiday:** **Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2026 (May Day)**

**Half Term:** **Monday 25<sup>th</sup> to Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May 2026**

**Term Ends:** **Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2026**

**Staff Training:** **Monday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2026**

**Staff Training:** **Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2026**



June 2026

June	
Friday 5th	NSPCC Childhood Day - Big Break
Monday 8th	Key Stage One Phonics Screening Check Begins
Monday 8th	Year 6 KISS Workshop
Thursday 9th	Odds Farm Park - Year 1 Stockholm
Thursday 11th	Odds Farm Park
Monday 8th - 12th	MTC Administration Period
Thursday 18th June 2026	Sorted Workshop
Monday 22nd 10:00am - 11:00 am	Nursery AM London - Sports Day
Monday 22nd 2:00pm - 3:00pm	Nursery PM London - Sports Day
Tuesday 23rd 9:00am - 11:30am	Reception Sports Day
Wednesday 24th 9:00am - 11:30am	Year 1 and Year 2 Sports Day
Thursday 25th 9:00am - 11:30am	Year 3 and Year 4 Sports Day
Friday 26th 9:00am - 11:30am	Year 5 and Year 6 Sports Day
Thursday 11th	Odds Farm Park - Year 1 Stockholm
Monday 15th - Friday 19th	Rising Stars Assessment Week
Monday 29th	Nursery and Reception New Intake Meeting (2026-2027)

Give every day the chance to become the most beautiful day of your life.

**PARKSIDE STUDIO COLLEGE**  
**OPEN DAY**  
 Wednesday 27th May 2026  
 11:45am to 3pm

**Book Your Spot!**  
**CREATE Like a Parkside Student in Our Media Suite and Hair and Beauty Salon**

**BROOKSIDE PRIMARY** Week Commencing: Monday 1st June 2026  
**MENU 3**

MONDAY		
Meal Choice 1	Chicken Sausages with Mashed Potatoes and Onion Gravy	Halal
Meal Choice 2	Chicken Sausages with Mashed Potatoes and Onion Gravy	Non Halal
Meal Choice 3	Vegetarian Sausages with Mashed Potatoes and Onion Gravy	Vegetarian
Meal Choice 4	Gluten free Pork Sausages with Mashed Potatoes without Milk or Butter	Gluten/Dairy Free
Dessert Choice	Orange Jelly	Fresh Fruit and Yoghurts
TUESDAY		
Meal Choice 1	Beef Lasagne with Fresh Salad	Halal
Meal Choice 2	Beef Lasagne with Fresh Salad	Non Halal
Meal Choice 3	Vegetarian Lasagne with Fresh Salad	Vegetarian
Meal Choice 4	Minced Beef with Gluten free Pasta	Gluten/Dairy Free
Dessert Choice	Chocolate Mousse	Fresh Fruit and Yoghurts
WEDNESDAY		
Meal Choice 1	Barbecue Grilled Chicken Breast with Rice	Halal
Meal Choice 2	Barbecue Grilled Chicken Breast with Rice	Non Halal
Meal Choice 3	Baked Jacket Potato with Various Fillings	Vegetarian
Meal Choice 4	Barbecue Grilled Chicken Breast with Rice	Gluten/Dairy Free
Dessert Choice	Apple Crumble	Fresh Fruit and Yoghurts
THURSDAY		
Meal Choice 1	Cajun Chicken in Pitta Bread with Oven Cooked Potato Slices and Tomato Salsa	Halal
Meal Choice 2	Cajun Chicken in Pitta Bread with Oven Cooked Potato Slices and Tomato Salsa	Non Halal
Meal Choice 3	Roast Mediterranean Vegetables in Pitta Bread with Oven Cooked Potato Slices and Tomato Salsa	Vegetarian
Meal Choice 4	Cajun Chicken with Oven Cooked Potato Slices and Tomato Salsa	Gluten/Dairy Free
Dessert Choice	Vanilla Sponge with a Pineapple Ring and a Cherry	Fresh Fruit and Yoghurts
FRIDAY		
Meal Choice 1	Fish Fingers or Battered Chicken with Oven Baked Potato Wedges	Halal
Meal Choice 2	Fish Fingers or Battered Chicken with Oven Baked Potato Wedges	Non Halal
Meal Choice 3	Macaroni Cheese	Vegetarian
Meal Choice 4	Gluten free Fish Fingers with Gluten free Potato Wedges and Beans	Gluten/Dairy Free