



# GLEBE

## GLEBE PARENT NEWSLETTER



I hope you have all had a good week.

I can't quite believe that it is the end of another school year.

Thank you all so much for your continued support throughout the year.

Thank you also for the very generous cards and gifts you have given to me and the staff. As always, they are so gratefully received and not expected - especially with the cost of living being as high as it is.


### Attendance for Year %

6K	97.3
6L	96.9
5G	96.8
2S	96.7
4JL	96.4
3ME	96.3
5V	96.1
3V	95.9
RG	95.9
RB	95.8
3R	95.6
1C	95.5
2M	95.5
5I	95.4
2P	95.3
1A	95.2
4W	94.8
1L	94.8
4J	94.6
6A	94.6
RP	93.4
NUFT	93
NUAM	88.6
NUPM	81.5

Whole School

**95.5%**

WEDNESDAY 24TH JULY 2024



# Attendance for Academic Year 2023-24

I am delighted to report that we have received notification from the DfE about our attendance data.

We are 6th (out of 65 primary schools) in Hillingdon.

We are in the top 10-20% range nationally.

This is a significant achievement and one we should all be proud of. Thank you to everyone who has contributed to this.

GOOD BYE & GOOD LUCK!

Mrs Heggie



Mrs Heggie is one of our 1:1 Learning Support Assistants and she is leaving as her husband's job is relocating.

She has been a wonderful member of the team in the 6 years she has been at Glebe and has supported many of our SEN pupils to make great progress, ensuring they are ready for the next stage in their learning.

We wish her well for the future.

# GOOD BYE & GOOD LUCK!

## Mr Rademacher



After 5 years at Glebe, we say goodbye and good luck to Mr Rademacher.

Unfortunately, he was taken ill mid-way through the school year and has decided to take early retirement.

I am sure you will join me in wishing him well for the future and that he is able to enjoy his retirement – Glebe won't be the same without him.

## Miss Vasarhelyi



Again, another member of staff who joined us just before Covid in 2019, we say goodbye to Miss Vasarhelyi as she leaves us to take up a post at a special school in London.

We wish her well for the future in a role she was born to have – she is so compassionate and I know she will excel there.

Good bye and good luck!

# GOOD BYE & GOOD LUCK!

## Year 6

Your time at Glebe has flown. I remember so many of you as nervous little people in Reception but it was clear from early on what a lovely group of children you were. Those of you who have joined in subsequent years have enhanced the year group.

It is amazing how much you have progressed and it has been a genuine privilege to watch each and every one of you grow into the people you have become. You are such a wonderfully diverse mixture of young people. Some of you have achieved an exceptional standard of work in the classroom, some of you have wowed us on stage with your acting singing or dancing talent, whilst some of you have helped make Glebe champions or, at least, genuine contenders, in a range of sporting events. Many of you have been outstanding ambassadors for the school and all of you have tried your best when we've asked you to - you have all made me proud in different ways.

I am confident that you will continue to push yourselves and impress everyone in your new schools and I look forward to hearing of your successes - whether they are creative, academic or sporty. I know there is something special in every single one of you.

**“You already have everything it takes to do big things”**

(Kobi Yamada)

# REMEMBER



## Key Information & Dates



### Autumn Term - 2024

Monday 2nd September - Training Day - school closed to all pupils.

Tuesday 3rd September - Children return to school

Thursday 26th September - 5I Class Assembly at 9.15am - parking on playground from 9.05 but not before for health and safety reasons

Monday 7th October - Year 4 Harvest production at 9.15am - no parking available on site

Tuesday 8th October - Year 4 Harvest production at 2pm - no parking available on site

Wednesday 9th October - Year 4 Harvest production at 6.30pm - no parking available on site

Tuesday 22nd October - Parent Consultation Evening from 4pm- 7pm

Thursday 24th October - 5M Class Assembly at 9.15am - parking on playground from 9.05 but not before for health and safety reasons

- Parent Consultation Evening from 4.30pm- 7.30pm

*Half Term: Monday 28th October - Friday 1st November*

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**Monday 4th November - children return to school: NO TRAINING DAY**

# MAYOR OF LONDON

**Date:** 19 July 2024

Dear Headteacher,

I'm writing to thank you for the work you and your team have put into delivering our Universal Free School Meals programme this year.

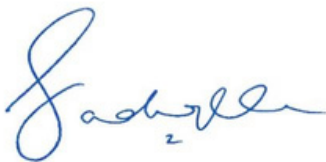
I'm delighted that, following my re-election, **free school meals will now be made permanent for all state primary school pupils in our city.**

Thanks to you and your colleagues across London, an extra 287,000 primary school children were able to access over 43.5 million free school meals this year – a tremendous achievement. I've been deeply touched by the heartfelt messages I've received from both parents and pupils, telling me about the difference these free school meals have made to them and their family. This wouldn't have been possible without the dedication of you and all your staff.

In line with the first year of the programme, the funding for 2024/25 will be issued at a borough level, with councils responsible for administering funding to our schools. Boroughs will be offered £3 per meal in order to continue delivery of free school meals from September. This is a 13% increase in funding from 2023/24. Funding allocations have been made with an assumed 90% uptake, and schools will continue to have the opportunity to secure additional funding if they can evidence uptake above 90%.

I know times are still tough for many families across London, so I sincerely hope that this programme will continue to make a meaningful difference to your pupils and school community. I also hope the end of the term goes well and I wish you a restful and happy summer break.

Yours sincerely,



**Sadiq Khan**  
Mayor of London



# 10 Top Tips for Parents and Educators

## STAYING SAFE IN HOT WEATHER

As temperatures rise, it's essential to take proactive steps to ensure children and young people stay safe and healthy. Hot weather can pose serious risks such as dehydration, heatstroke and sunburn. This guide provides practical tips for parents and teachers to protect children during sunnier spells, helping them enjoy the summer safely.

### 1 STAY HYDRATED



Ensure children drink plenty of water throughout the day, even if they don't feel thirsty. Encourage them to carry water bottles and take regular sips. It's better to drink small amounts to counteract the effects of sweating. Even if children replenish lost fluids with equal amounts of water, they may still be dehydrated due to salt lost from the body. Avoid sugary drinks and caffeine, which can contribute to dehydration.

### 2 APPLY SUNSCREEN



Use a broad-spectrum sunscreen with at least SPF 30 on all exposed skin and reapply every two hours or after swimming. Don't forget often-missed spots like the ears, back of the neck and tops of feet. Sunscreen needs around 20 to 30 minutes to be absorbed by the skin, so make sure you leave plenty of time to apply it.

### 3 WEAR PROTECTIVE CLOTHING



Dress children in light-coloured, loose-fitting clothing made from breathable fabrics like cotton. Ideally clothing should cover as much skin as possible. Shoulders should always be covered as they can easily burn. Wide-brimmed hats and sunglasses with UV protection are also essential to shield them from the sun. Be sure to check your school's dress policy, as uniform rules may be relaxed during amber or red Heat Health Alerts (HHAs).

### 4 SEEK SHADE



Covering up and seeking shade are the most important sun protection measures. Encourage children to play in shaded areas, especially during peak sun intensity between the hours of 11 a.m. and 3 pm. Use umbrellas or canopies if natural shade is unavailable.

### 5 AVOID STRENUOUS ACTIVITIES



Children shouldn't take part in vigorous physical activities in very hot weather. Limit these during the warmest parts of the day. Schedule any outdoor games or sports for early morning or late afternoon when it's slightly cooler.

### 6 KEEP COOL INDOORS



If it's safe and appropriate, open windows early in the morning to allow stored heat to escape from the building. Use fans or air conditioning to maintain a cool indoor environment. Close curtains or blinds to block direct sunlight. Switch off electrical equipment like computers, monitors and printers when not in use; don't leave them in 'standby mode' as this still generates heat.

### 7 TAKE COOL BATHS OR SHOWERS



Encourage children to take cool baths or showers to lower their body temperature. Alternatively, use damp cloths on their skin to provide relief from the heat. When heading out of the house, consider filling up a spray bottle to cool everyone down on the go.

### 8 MONITOR FOR SIGNS OF ILLNESS



If sensible precautions are taken, children are unlikely to be seriously affected by hot conditions – but teachers, assistants, school nurses and all child carers should watch for symptoms of heat exhaustion, such as heavy sweating, weakness, dizziness, nausea or fainting. If any signs are present, move the child to a cool place, make sure they drink some water, and seek medical advice if needed.

### 9 MAINTAIN A COOL SLEEPING ENVIRONMENT



Ensure children's bedrooms stay cool by using fans or air conditioning. Use lightweight bedding and consider letting them sleep in the coolest part of the house. Older children can have more choice over what they wear to bed. Some children may prefer to sleep without pyjamas, while some may prefer to opt for a light cotton t-shirt and shorts.

### 10 EDUCATE CHILDREN ON SUN SAFETY



Teach children the importance of sun safety and encourage them to take responsibility for their health. Explain the risks of sunburn and heatstroke and the value of following these safety tips.

## Meet Our Expert

James Whelan is an experienced health and safety expert who is a Chartered Member of the Institution of Occupational Safety and Health. He provides services to educational settings (and other industries) to help them maintain a safe working environment.



#WakeUpWednesday

The National College

Source: See full reference list on guide page at: [staying-safe-in-hot-weather](https://nationalcollege.com/staying-safe-in-hot-weather)



# Playday 2024

Playday is taking place on Wednesday 7th August 2024 between 10 am - 2pm at Hillingdon Athletics Stadium. This is a free event for children and families to have fun through the day. Parking is available at £2.50 per vehicle and must be purchased at the time of booking. Parking access is via Park Road before the athletics stadium (this is the same area as the car boot sales).

## Activities:

- Under 5's area (arts and crafts, sandpit, scooters and much more)
- Mobile Library & Youth Bus
- Try out basketball, golf, cycling, BMX, Dance and more
- Visit a Fire truck and Police vehicles (subject to availability)
- Food will be available to purchase
- and much more through the day
- The day is split up into 4 areas
- The grass rugby fields - a variety of sports and activities to explore
- The Athletics Stadium - a variety of stalls including story time, under 5 play, sand play, health stall
- Top car park - Fire and Police vehicles
- Uxbridge Sports Club - tennis, squash, cricket and a quite seated bar area to purchase food and drink

This is a family event and children under 16 years must be supervised at all times. Time slots for the event will be offered to allow a staggered entry into the venue, please select your desired time and arrive no earlier than 15 minutes prior if using car park. Car park will open from 9:30am.

Please book here: [Playday 2024 - Discover Hillingdon](#)

What's  
on...

# at Ickenham Library

## Summer Holidays

### Summer Reading Challenge

Remember to sign up to this year's Summer Reading Challenge Marvellous Makers to receive free rewards and be entered into two prize draws. There are also lots of free events happening all over the borough including two events at Ickenham Library: Story Makers on Tue 20 August and Lego Makers on Tue 27 August. For more information and to book events head to [discover.hillingdon.gov.uk/summer-reading](http://discover.hillingdon.gov.uk/summer-reading)



### Summer Story Time

Sit and listen to a classic story followed by an activity linked to the book. Suitable for 5-11 year olds. Tue 30 July and Tue 6, 13 & 20 August 11am. For more information on the stories and book your space please head to [discover.hillingdon.gov.uk](http://discover.hillingdon.gov.uk)

### Summer Bug Hunt

Help us track which bugs are hiding in the library garden. Ask a member of staff for a bug hunting kit and tally sheet to see how many creepy crawlies you can discover in 15 minutes. Drop-in subject to availability.

### Family Board Game Café

Every Friday morning during the Summer Holidays head into our meeting room for a selection of games for families to enjoy together. Drop-in from 10am - 12.30pm.

### Lego Saturdays

Build amazing creations with Lego each Saturday from 10am - 12pm. Drop-in, no need to book.

### Scavenger Hunts

Pop into Ickenham Library anytime during opening hours to complete one of our Scavenger Hunts. First half of the holidays will be Olympic themed and second half will be Marvellous Makers.





Wishing you all a lovely  
summer and I look  
forward to welcoming you  
back in September.

**Mrs Penney**



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