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Update - Mrs. Jones

Dear Parents, Guardians, Carers,

As we approach the end of a truly remarkable academic year, I wanted to take a moment to reflect on the incredible vibrancy and uplifting spirit that has filled Hyde Park. It has been a period where our pupils across the school have truly embraced exciting opportunities to learn, explore, and shine. The energy, creativity, and curiosity shown by every child continues to be a source of immense pride for all of us.

This year, our youngest pupils in Early Years have truly had a flying start to their education. We've continued to see the power of imaginative play, with Reception pupils building obstacle courses, royal thrones, and even putting on performances with handmade microphones. These rich learning experiences build confidence, communication, and a love of discovery.

Across the rest of the school, pupils have been immersed in a diverse array of engaging and enriching activities. A particular highlight has been the resounding success of our **ProBleu project exhibition**. It was a wonderful culmination of the deep dives our pupils have taken into marine life and ocean **conservation** throughout the year. From unforgettable rock pooling trips and insightful visits from marine scientists to creative workshops at The Box, the exhibition beautifully showcased their dedication and the remarkable impact of hands-on learning in fostering our future ocean citizens.

Our pupils have also explored the power of music throughout the year. They've made beautiful melodies, diligently practising with glockenspiels to complement songs they've been learning. This musical exploration isn't just about notes; it nurtures creativity and discipline, helping pupils to express themselves and collaborate effectively, whilst also developing cognitive skills like memory and problem-solving. We saw fantastic musical collaboration as pupils worked together, rehearsing and performing pieces for each other. Learning has taken exciting forms beyond the classroom too. Pupils embarked on exhilarating journeys into the world of **3D shapes**, exploring properties and constructing their own

models with everyday materials, igniting a passion for geometry. They stepped outside for dynamic sessions of **Grammar Orienteering**, combining English and physical activity in a fun and engaging way, using teamwork and problem-solving to navigate challenges. Financial literacy was also a focus, with pupils exploring the importance of saving, budgeting, and making wise choices through interactive activities. Scientific curiosity also blasted off as pupils delved into space units, immersing themselves in imagery and facts, imagining their own planets, and crafting detailed reports.

Beyond these specific highlights, it's been an exciting (and very busy!) year at school. In writing, our pupils have been creating magical portals to inspire their stories, they've loved imagining the worlds beyond them! We also had an amazing circus workshop where everyone got to try their hand at juggling, riding unicycles, walking the tightrope, and spinning diabolos. There were lots of laughs, a few wobbles, and plenty of new skills learned!

Throughout the year, our commitment to a rich and varied curriculum has seen many more memorable moments. Our pupils have engaged with crucial themes, from celebrating the vibrant traditions of our Harvest Festival to enchanting audiences with our heartfelt Christmas productions. We've seen a fantastic display of literary enthusiasm during World Book Day, with costumes and shared stories bringing characters to life. Our School Council has been instrumental in ensuring pupil voice is heard, leading initiatives that benefit everyone. We've also had valuable visits from local community services, teaching important lessons on safety and citizenship. Our commitment to the wider community has shone through in various charity fundraising events, showing the incredible generosity and empathy of our school family. On the sporting front, beyond our own Sports Day, pupils have proudly represented Hyde Park in several inter-school tournaments, demonstrating excellent sportsmanship

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and determination. Our **Eco-Schools projects** have further deepened our pupils' understanding of environmental responsibility, fostering practical steps towards a greener future. Every classroom has truly been alive with curiosity and progress.

Finally, as we look towards their next adventures, we recently held a very special Awards Evening to proudly celebrate our wonderful Year 6 pupils. It was a truly heartfelt occasion, recognising the hard work, determination, and bravery each pupil has shown throughout the year. From academic achievements to incredible personal growth, every award reflected the remarkable journey these young people have taken. It was especially lovely to share the evening with parents and families, whose support has been such an important part of their success. A huge well done to all our Year 6s – we are so incredibly proud of you!

As we look ahead, our calendar remains full of opportunities for connection and celebration. Transition meetings are supporting pupils and families as they prepare for the next steps in September. Assemblies continue to be a highlight, giving pupils a platform to share their achievements and talents with pride. We're also very excited to share that our new school website is now in the design stage. This is a fantastic step forward and we can't wait to see it take shape – it promises to be a bright, welcoming, and informative hub for our whole community.

Please remember to check the diary section for upcoming dates, including leavers shows and the many special events that make this time of year so memorable.

Your continued support is what helps make Hyde Park such a special place for every child to grow, learn, and thrive.

Have a safe and restful summer break.

Parent Governor – Vacancy

At the start of the next school year, starting September 2025, we have a vacancy on the Federated Governing Body (FGB) for a Parent Governor. This is any exciting opportunity for Parents, Grandparents and Guardians to be involved in the governance of Hyde Park Schools. Parent Governors must have a child registered at school at the start of their tenure. As a FGB we work across both the Infant and Junior schools, acting as a critical friend with school staff and with the Trust.

No previous experience is required and training is provided. The role is voluntary and does require a minimum commitment, most of which can be flexible to fit with work and family commitments.

If you, or someone you know, is interested in this role please contact the Chair of Governors via the office.

Getting Ready for Reception: New School Readiness Initiative

Starting school is a big step, and a new national initiative is helping parents and carers prepare their little ones for Reception. Backed by the Education Secretary, the **School Readiness Skills Checklist** outlines key areas to support children before their first day—such as toilet training, using cutlery, sharing toys, recognising their name, and expressing emotions. This practical guide ensures all children have the best possible start, helping them feel confident, independent, and ready to learn! Read more about the checklist here: [School Readiness - Reception](#)

Governors' Update

As we have reached the end of the Summer Term, I am reflecting on the past year. There have been lots of exciting opportunities for our children, enriching their learning experiences. Thank you to all those involved in these events - staff and volunteers.

As Governors we have seen how the new curriculum is being embedded into the school, ensuring that the children are being taught consistently, with a well planned programme of learning. Through our school visits, meetings with staff and involvement with the Trust, we continue to act as a 'critical friend' supporting and challenging Hyde Park Schools to ensure the best outcome for all of our children.

To all of our Year 6 children I wish the very best in their new schools and look forward to welcoming the new Early Years children in September.

I hope that you all have a wonderful summer break.

Rachel Mathis, Chair of Governors

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ProBleu Project: Our Exhibition Success!

What an incredible display of learning! We're thrilled to share the resounding success of our recent **ProBleu project exhibition**, which showcased the amazing work our pupils have produced. From their exciting rockpooling trips and engaging workshops at The Box to insightful discussions with marine scientists, the exhibition was a vibrant testament to their deep dives into marine life and ocean conservation. Thank you to everyone who visited and celebrated the passion and dedication of our future ocean citizens!



Sunny Science in Reception!

Our Reception pupils have been enjoying the fantastic sunny weather lately, which has been perfect for their recent topic comparing the seasons! They've been busy exploring the differences the year brings, and even created their very own ice garden. This hands-on activity was a brilliant way to introduce words like **solid**, **liquid**, **freezing**, and **melting** as they watched ice transform in the sunshine. What a fun way to learn about the world around us!



*Learning about seasons and the properties of **solid** and **liquid** helps our Reception pupils lay the foundation for future scientific thinking. By observing and exploring, they're developing crucial early inquiry skills that will serve them well on their learning journey.*

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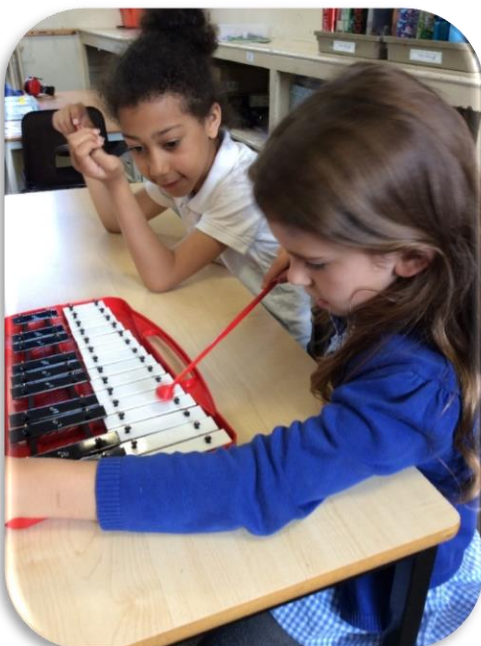
Team Spirit Triumphs at Year 1 Sports Day!

What an amazing display of team spirit from our Year 1 pupils! Leading up to Sports Day, they worked incredibly hard in PE lessons, developing their collaborative skills in various team games. It was brilliant to watch them demonstrate excellent listening, mutual respect for ideas, and fantastic support for one another. Through relay races, sack races, obstacle courses, and bean bag throwing challenges, they rapidly developed their skills, speed, and agility. We were absolutely thrilled to see them showcase these impressive new abilities to their grown-ups at Sports Day, well done, Year 1!



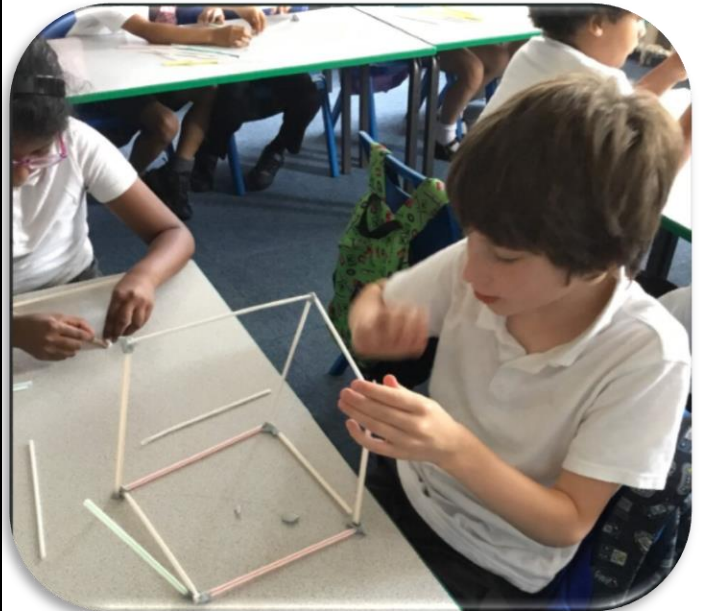
Glockenspiel Fun in Year 2!

The sound of music has been filling our halls, thanks to Year 2's dedication in their music lessons! Our pupils have been having great fun practising with the glockenspiels, developing their rhythm and musical skills. We're so impressed with their progress!



Year 3's 3D Adventures!

Our Year 3 pupils embarked on an exhilarating journey into the world of 3D shapes this week! With curious minds and creative spirits, they explored the properties of various geometric shapes, discovering the fascinating characteristics that define them. Armed with this newfound knowledge, the pupils channelled their imaginations to construct their very own 3D shapes using everyday materials. The classroom buzzed with excitement as they shared their creations and demonstrated how each shape stands strong and proud. What a wonderful opportunity for learning and collaboration, igniting a passion for geometry that we hope will last a lifetime! It was a fantastic way to make learning time both memorable and meaningful. We kindly ask all parents to practise telling the time with their children to help them continue to develop their understanding.



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Year 5's Musical Collaboration!

The sound of music filled our music room as Year 5 pupils explored the glockenspiels! They used these instruments to complement a song they've been learning, demonstrating brilliant teamwork as they rehearsed and performed their final pieces. We loved hearing their collaborative musical efforts, well done, Year 5!



Music education **nurtures creativity and discipline**, helping pupils to express themselves and collaborate effectively. It also plays a key role in **developing cognitive skills** like memory and problem-solving.

Celebrating Our Amazing Year 6!

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Portals, Performers & Plenty of Fun!

What a fantastic and busy Year 4s have had at school! Our pupils have shown incredible imagination in writing, **creating magical portals** that have led to some truly wonderful story ideas.

The excitement continued with an amazing **circus workshop!** Our pupils bravely tried juggling, unicycles, tightrope walking, and diabolos, resulting in lots of laughter, a few tumbles, and the brilliant development of new skills. It was a week packed with memorable experiences!



July 7th - 11th 2025

Cedar	Naomi E
Ash	Zayd
Beech	Sophia
Poplar	Kitty
Willow	Ometh
Holly	
Elm	
Sycamore	Enea
Keller	Finlay
Seacole	Neve
Barnardo	Senara
Attenborough	Arwa
Curie	Angela
Hawking	Sakiru
Gandhi	William
King	Andre
Mandela	Lucky-Mae
Pankhurst	Leon
Douglass	Tanushree
Dickens	Bea

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Nominations for being a Brave Learner

Cedar	Ivy
Ash	Nancy
Beech	Anna
Poplar	Sarah
Willow	Fern
Holly	The whole class
Elm	The whole class
Sycamore	The whole class
Keller	Sam
Seacole	All chn in the theathre project
Barnardo	Charlie
Attenborough	Shayoni
Curie	Emmie
Hawking	Jessie and Annabelle
Gandhi	Aria
King	Eleanor
Mandela	Harrison
Pankhurst	The whole class
Douglass	The whole class
Dickens	The whole class



July 14th - 18th , 2025

Cedar	The whole class
Ash	Cleo
Beech	The whole class
Poplar	TD
Willow	Evaan
Holly	Molly
Elm	Isaac H
Sycamore	Max
Keller	Zarah
Seacole	Grace
Barnardo	Ahmad
Attenborough	Izzy
Curie	Maisie
Hawking	Queen
Gandhi	John
King	Dotty
Mandela	Romilly
Pankhurst	The whole class
Douglass	The whole class
Dickens	The whole class

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Nominations for being a Curious Learner

Cedar	The whole class
Ash	Jonas
Beech	Jacob
Poplar	Gizele
Willow	Adam R
Holly	Bodhi
Elm	Rose
Sycamore	Ezra
Keller	Phillip
Seacole	Harriet
Barnardo	Louiza
Attenborough	Rhoda
Curie	Hazel
Hawking	Aares
Gandhi	Jess
King	Hannah
Mandela	Poppy
Pankhurst	Archie
Douglass	Izzah
Dickens	Zeph



September 2025

Week 1 1st- 5th September

Mental Health and Wellbeing Week

Monday 1 st	Non- Pupil Day
Tuesday 2 nd	Children Return to School
Wednesday 3 rd	
Thursday 4 th	
Friday 5 th	International Day of Charity

Week 2 8th- 12th September

Monday 8 th	International Day of Literacy
	PTFA AGM @7pm, Infant Hall
	Reading and Comprehension Workshop @8:30am and 5pm, Infant Hall
	School Council Applications Open
Tuesday 9 th	Phonics Information Workshop @8:30am and 5pm, Infant Hall
Wednesday 10 th	
Thursday 11 th	Maths Workshop @8:30am and 5pm, Infant Hall
Friday 12 th	World First Aid Day (13 th)
	Family First Aid Training TBC

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