



Signpost

16th January 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy New Year! We hope you all had a restful and joyful winter break. It has been wonderful to see the children return with such big smiles and enthusiasm for the new term.

After the success of the appointment of our student leaders last term, we have held the first of our meeting with our student leadership team and certainly have some future leaders in the making! It was inspiring to hear the passion and ideas from our school council and prefects as they look for ways to continue to encourage ways to celebrate our 'bee'haviours for learning and plan our next World Bee Day following the success of this last year. Our readers are already busy training to support the youngest of our children to read, while the Eco-Committee are starting to make poster and plans a day for the whole school to make bird feeders. Our wellbeing ambassadors are also busy designing their new jackets and having some training on how to help We are so proud of these young leaders for taking on such important responsibilities.

We have a packed calendar ahead, full of exploration, creativity, and learning. Here is what you need to know for the coming weeks:

Global Adventure Day- Friday 30th January

Grab your passports! We are transforming the school for our Global Adventure Day. The children will "travel" to different countries, learning about diverse cultures, tasting international foods, and exploring world maps. Children are invited to come dressed in colours from a flag of their choice or traditional dress from a country that is special to them.

Number Day- Friday 6th February

We are celebrating all things maths for Number Day! We will be spending the day engaging in fun, hands-on math challenges and games to build confidence and excitement around problem-solving. Keep an eye out for more details on how we will be supporting NSPCC Number Day during this event.

We believe that being a good friend is just as important as being a good learner. This term, we are launching our new Special Weekly Kindness Award.

Each week, one child from every class will be recognised for showing exceptional empathy, helping others, or simply making our school a brighter place. Winners will be announced in our Monday assembly and will receive a special certificate and a golden ticket with a hidden surprise. Overleaf are some suggestions for things that the children can do to be nominated for this award:



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Kindness Prompts for Students:

- Hold the door open for a friend or teacher
- Ask someone new to play at playtime
- Give a genuine compliment to a classmate
- Help tidy up the classroom without being asked
- Say 'thank you' to the lunchtime staff
- Share a toy or book with someone else
- Listen carefully when a friend is talking
- Invite someone who looks lonely to join your group
- Offer to help someone who is struggling with their work
- Leave a kind note for a teacher or staff member

Parents Evening - Tuesday 10th February and Wednesday 11th February

It's time to catch up on your child's fantastic progress. These meetings are a vital opportunity to discuss their development and how we can work together to support them. We will be trialling the booking of these appointments on the Arbor App for the first time! Bookings will open on Monday 2nd February at 9.30am. With this new system you are able to book, amend or cancel appointments up until 12pm on the day.

Cookery Club - Starting Friday 27th February

We are thrilled to announce the launch of our brand-new Cookery Club! Designed to get little hands busy in the kitchen, children will learn about healthy ingredients and simple food preparation. This will be run by Miss Munger and Miss Lee-Smith. More details and how to secure a place to follow

Parking

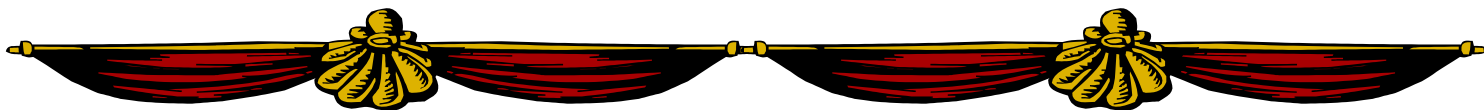
Following a number of complaints from members of the public we would like to remind parents and carers to park considerately and legally around the school, particularly on Pearson Road and Hardys Road. Parking on double yellow lines, on bends, or over dropped kerbs creates serious safety risks and makes it difficult for children and families to cross the road safely. There is plenty of parking available at nearby Haverstoe Park, which is only a short walk to the school, and we encourage families to use this where possible. We ask everyone to work together to keep our community safe by parking a little further away and walking the final distance. Thank you for your co-operation and for helping us keep all children safe at drop-off and pick-up times.

Thank you for your continued support in making our school such a kind and vibrant community. Here is to a brilliant Spring Term!

Hannah Gray

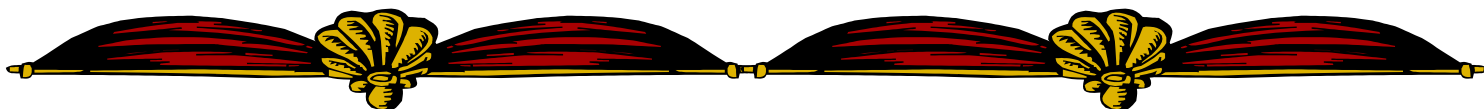


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DIARY DATES

<u>January 2026</u>	Fri 30 th	Global Adventure Day
<u>February</u>	Fri 6 th	Number Day
	Tues 10 th	Parents Evening 3.40pm – 6pm Bookable on the Arbor App
	Wed 11 th	Parents Evening 3.40pm – 6pm Bookable on the Arbor App
	Fri 13 th	End of Term 3 – 3.30pm
	Mon 23 rd	Start of Term 4 – 8.50am
	Fri 27 th	Cookery Club begins



The Class Attendance each week can be found on the Attendance page on our website.

https://www.signhillsinfants.co.uk/parents/attendance/class_attendance/weekly_class_attendance_25_26.html

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