

A Message From The Headteacher, Grace Mullally



Dear Parents/Carers,

As we move towards the end of the summer term, I wanted to take a moment to reflect on what has been a busy and productive half term.

Pupils have had a range of opportunities both in and out of the classroom. On World Environment Day, they planted tomato seeds, which are already beginning to grow. During National Volunteering Week, pupils took part in activities across the school, including litter picking and supporting routines at lunchtime, demonstrating a positive contribution to the school community.

Sports Week in mid-June provided pupils with the chance to take part in a variety of physical activities. This culminated in Sports Day at Hillingdon Leisure Centre, where it was very good to see so many parents and carers in attendance and pupils fully engaged.

A number of pupils also took part in Pretty Muddy Kids in support of Cancer Research UK. Despite challenging conditions, all participants completed the 5K course. This event was held in memory of our Primary Headteacher and colleague, Jemma Kerr, and I am pleased to share that over £2,000 has been raised to date.

We also held our Class Transition Day, allowing pupils to meet their new teams ahead of September, alongside Pupil Progress Day, which provided a useful opportunity for parents and carers to review their child's progress.

Our Summer Market Day and Graduation were also key points in the term, particularly as we prepare to say goodbye to our leavers. I would like to wish them all the best for the next stage.

I hope you have a restful summer break, and we look forward to welcoming pupils back to school on **Friday 4th September 2026**.

Feature - Sports Week 2026



During the week beginning Monday 15th June, Hillingdon Manor School came alive as we celebrated our exciting **Sports Week**! Led by our PE teacher, Chris Tabrett, the week was packed with fun, energy, and plenty of opportunities for every pupil to get involved.

The focus was all about staying active and making healthy choices—and we certainly made the most of it! Here are just some of the highlights:

 **Fruit Kebabs:** Pupils teamed up with Food Tech to create their own delicious fruit kebabs—colourful, healthy, and enjoyed together as a group.

 **Sensory Outdoor Play:** Lots of fresh air and fun, with bubbles adding an extra layer of sensory excitement.

 **Dance and Movement:** Pupils got moving with lively dance sessions and exercise activities.

 **Forest School Adventures:** Taking learning outdoors, pupils explored nature and made the most of our fantastic surroundings.

 **Sensory Circuits:** Activities designed to engage different senses while keeping active.

 **Football Workshop:** Pupils learned new football skills and put them into practice in friendly games.

 **Orienteering:** Working as teams, pupils followed clues and directions to reach their final destination.

 **Dress-Up Day:** Pupils and staff dressed as their favourite sports stars, raising money for Cancer Research UK.

 **Bake Sale:** Food Tech hosted a sports-themed bake sale filled with tasty treats.

 **Sports Day:** The grand finale! Pupils took part in a range of events while parents and carers cheered them on from the sidelines.

It was a truly fantastic week, full of energy, teamwork, and smiles—showing just how fun being active can be!



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World Environment Day 2026

On Friday 5th June, the Hillingdon Manor community came together to celebrate World Environment Day 2026 by planting some vegetables!

Mick Precht, our Forest School Lead, oversaw the activities on the day, which including gathering compost from our compost area, sieving the compost, preparing the trays, cutting tomatoes and sourcing seeds, and planting the seeds ready for growing!

Pupils tentatively placed their seeds in their compost, before watering them to begin the process of successful germination.

Well done to everyone for taking part in World Environment Day! We look forward to tasting the tomatoes when they are ready – we just need a bit of sun now!



HMS Take On Pretty Muddy for CRUK

Hillingdon Manor School's Pupil Voice organised the Pretty Muddy 5K charity run to fundraise for Cancer Research, in memory of Jemma Kerr. To date, over £2,500 has been raised! Pupils and staff, along with family members, enrolled to take part in the event on Saturday 6th June.

Headteacher, Grace Mullally said "It was brilliant to watch everyone persevere through the wet and windy conditions, taking Muddy Puddles to a whole new level! We are really proud of everyone and it is so pleasing to see staff directly role model the importance of charitable work to our pupils. A big thank you to everyone."



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Primary Engineering Programme 2026

A group of pupils at Hillingdon Manor took part in the Primary Engineering Programme on Wednesday 10th June 2026. The programme involved pupils building a toy vehicle, using a range of tools and materials, and then testing to see if it worked!

The group decided to build toy cars, with wood being the main material of choice, and had a great time experimenting with different styles, to see which worked best.

It was an excellent experience for pupils, who received a certificate, medal and a cap – and they also got to keep the cars that they built!

A big thank you to Michael Grant, our Technology teacher, for overseeing this invaluable experience for our pupils.



Father's Day Breakfast at HMS

On Friday 12th June, Pupil Voice held a Father's Day breakfast in the Cafe, and invited dads (and mums) to attend. It was a wonderful opportunity to celebrate all of the fantastic parents and carers of HMS pupils - and Food Tech cooked up a storm in the kitchen, serving breakfast baps and delicious coffee.

Luke Pierre, Assistant Headteacher, also attended, and enjoyed speaking to parents and their children, as everyone enjoyed breakfast.

Pupil Voice were on hand to take food and drink orders, and made sure our guests were very well looked after, as they always do. We hope those who celebrated had a fantastic Father's Day!



Volunteers Week - 1st to 7th June 2026

Volunteers Week (1 – 7 June 2026), the UK's largest annual volunteering campaign, has been promoted and celebrated in our school. Volunteering links directly to the school career programme by providing pupils with essential experiences of work, transferable skills development, and networking opportunities that enhance future pathways. Examples of skills gained through volunteering (on site and off-site):

- Communication
- Teamwork and collaboration
- Problem solving
- Organisation and time management

An example is that 4C class team engaged in litter picking from the school grounds, linking the volunteering activity with the World Environment Day, celebrated on the 5th of June. Well done, 4C team and everyone else that took part!



Work Experience With Babcock

During June, a group of Year 10 and 11 pupils were able to engage in an interactive virtual work experience sessions. The four sessions were delivered by Babcock Internationals, a vast company that provides services for the London Fire Brigade.

The pupils have been grouped into two teams focusing on designing the interior and exterior of a fire truck, financing and marketing the fire engine. The pupils then presented their projects at the company's site in Ruislip at the end of the work experience.

As a reward, they also had the opportunity to enjoy a tour of the site, take part in interactive activities, see the workshops, fire engines and use the water hoses in the test area. An amazing experience! Thank you to Marcel for overseeing this!



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4H Learn Road Safety

On Monday 22nd June, 4H went out in the community to learn about road safety. The class team all heading out to teach the pupils about how to be safe using the roads and crossing – including when to cross, and how to make the lights go red. The pupils demonstrated very sensible behaviour during the trip, and by the end were able to cross the roads safely with their class team.

It was a very important and educational experience for pupils – thank you 4H!



Graduation 2026

On Wednesday 15th July, Hillingdon Manor held our annual Graduation Evening, to say a fond farewell to our leavers. The Graduation was wonderful, with staff sharing memories with pupils of their time at The Manor, as well as messages of good luck! SLT arranged for a fish and chip van to visit to provide food for the pupils and their parents, which was very much enjoyed. The evening was a real celebration of their time at Hillingdon Manor, hearing speeches from staff and a presentation of parting gifts – including our traditional Leavers' Hoodies!

We wish all of our leavers a huge good luck – we will miss you, but know you will be amazing wherever you go and whatever you do!



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Summer Market Day 2026

On Thursday 9th July, we held our annual Summer Market Day at Hillingdon Manor, and it was an amazing day! As always, we invited parents and carers to visit for the afternoon, to enjoy the stalls, entertainment and food offerings, all created by members of our school community. This year, we had lots of different games and activities that pupils could participate in, arranged by class teams. These included Hook the Duck, Lucky Dip, Sponge the Teacher, Karaoke, designing badges and higher or lower. There were also wonderful items for sale, including hand decorated teapots, postcards, slime and foot items. Food Tech also put on burgers and hot dogs, whilst classes also offered fresh juice, sweet treats and even sushi!

It was a fantastic afternoon – thank you to those parents and carers who were able to visit and a big thank you to Toni S who oversaw the Market Day and made sure it was a real success! Roll on Christmas Market Day 2026!



Summer Pupil Progress Day

On Friday 3rd July, we held our Summer Pupil Progress Day, where parents and carers attended the school to meet with their child's Class Team, to hear about all of the progress they have made this year. Alongside the Pupil Progress Meetings, we also held Annual Reviews for Year 7 and Year 12, ensuring we are reviewing the EHCP and setting next steps/targets. It was a fantastic day, welcoming parents and carers into school, with a real focus on their child's progress this academic year, in preparation for next academic year.

Thank you to all parents and carers who were able to attend in person for such a valuable opportunity to further develop the parent-school relationship. See you at the Autumn Pupil Progress Day in October!

Ice Lollies All Around

During what was a very warm and sunny Summer Term 2, our Headteacher, Grace, made sure there were lots of opportunities for pupils and staff alike to cool down – including ice lolly days!

Over the course of several days, ice lollies and ice pops were provided to all members of the community, which provided a cool and refreshing moment during the warmer parts of the day.

There were also opportunities for pupils to engage in water play, which was very much enjoyed by everyone!



Scouts Achievements!

We are thrilled to share that our in school Scouts group have achieved a variety of different badges this half term, recognising their achievements and the hard work they have put in!

In order to achieve their new badges, the Scouts had to complete a variety of different activities. The new badges achieved this half term include: chef, Royal Airforce, athletics and entertainer.

Michael Grant, who oversees Scouts at Hillingdon Manor, shared “I am so proud of them all for their hard work and dedication. Each badge is a testament to the work they put in each and every day. Well done to Hillingdon Manor Scouts! I am very proud of you all!”



Chef



Entertainer



Chef



Air Activities
Supported by The Royal Air Force (RAF)

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Supporting England in the World Cup 2026

On Wednesday 1st July, we held an own clothes day in support of England reaching the Round of 32 in the World Cup, and to cheer them on in their game against DR Congo that same evening. We invited all pupils and staff to wear football shirts of any kind, or red, white and blue.

It was a great day with lots of different nations and national teams represented across the school – including England! Even our Headteacher Grace was wearing an England football shirt in support.

Thank you to everyone who took part in this great experience – bringing everyone together to cheer on England in the tournament!



Courtyard Trip to Barra Hall Park

On Thursday 2nd July, 3J, 3K and 3L travelled to the park for an Out in the Community trip – and they had a great time! The trip was an opportunity to teach pupils road safety, and how to be safe when in the community. Pupils also used the playground, enjoying time together as a Class Team.

Everyone had a great time, with the sun shining and a chance to learn outdoors. Thank you to Elaine S for arranging this invaluable experience for our pupils during the Summer Term!



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Transport for London & The Metropolitan Police Service Visit HMS

On Friday 12th June, pupils in Key Stage 4 and 5 took part in a workshop, delivered by Transport for London and The Metropolitan Police Service. The focus of the workshop was to teach pupils about how to stay safe, specifically when out in the community or travelling on public transport. The workshop was interactive, giving pupils the opportunity to ask questions, share their feedback and consider how they would behave in certain situations.

It was a very useful workshop, and all pupils who attended enjoyed it thoroughly. Thank you to Claire Stapleton, our Deputy Headteacher, for arranging it.



4B Visit The Dogs Trust in Harefield

On Monday 15th June, 4B enjoyed a fantastic trip to Dogs Trust and had a truly memorable experience. As a class, they brought along donations of food, blankets, and toys, which they were delighted to present during the visit.

It was wonderful to see how well the dogs are cared for, and the pupils gained a deeper understanding of the important work that Dogs Trust carries out. The visit was both enjoyable and highly educational, helping pupils to recognise that not all dogs experience the same levels of care and affection. Throughout the day, the pupils demonstrated excellent empathy and compassion, asking thoughtful and insightful questions about animal welfare. We are incredibly proud of how respectfully and responsibly 4B represented the school.



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4D Go Bowling!



On Thursday 2nd July, 4D headed Out in the Community for a trip to Uxbridge, as a memorable reward trip at the end of the academic year. First, they headed to bowling in the Chimes, where they played a brilliant game – the staff took part too, which brought back memories of their childhood!

The group then headed to McDonalds, where they chose their meal and ordered them on the machines in the restaurant. Everyone very much enjoyed their lunch!

Pupils were able to develop their skills of confidence, independence and making transactions – thank you to Clair F for organising this invaluable experience for all pupils in the class!



4B Create a Time Capsule

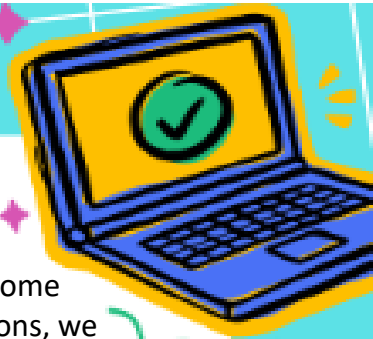
On 6th July, the students in 4B enjoyed creating a time capsule, filling it with letters, memories, and items that represent life today. Once everyone had contributed, we buried the time capsule in the school field, where it will remain until it is opened in the future.

It was a fantastic activity that encouraged the students to reflect on the present while thinking about what life might be like years from now. We look forward to seeing the excitement when it is eventually uncovered!



I was very happy before the war

HMS Clinical Team Update



As the academic year comes to a close, we would like to take the opportunity to reflect on what has been a rewarding and eventful year for the Clinical Team. This year has been one of change for our team, with a new Clinical Lead joining and some changes within the team itself. Throughout these transitions, we have remained committed to providing consistent, high-quality therapeutic support, while continuing to develop and grow the way we work alongside students, families and staff. Over the year, we have had the privilege of supporting many students through individual therapy sessions, group interventions and collaborative work with teaching teams. Whether helping to develop communication skills, supporting emotional wellbeing, promoting sensory regulation or building independence, it has been a pleasure to celebrate so many achievements—both big and small!

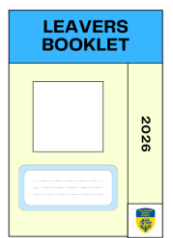


Alongside our direct work with students, we have continued to strengthen our multidisciplinary approach, working closely with school staff to ensure therapeutic strategies are embedded throughout the school day. This year, we rebranded and further developed our Strategy Support Request Meetings, continuing to provide staff with dedicated opportunities to work alongside the Clinical Team to explore ideas and practical strategies for individual students. We also introduced our Twilight Therapy Tips sessions, sharing simple, evidence-informed approaches that staff can use to support communication, regulation and participation across the school.

The Summer Term has been especially busy, with our team continuing to deliver therapy sessions and intervention groups while also taking part in annual reviews, leavers workshops, staff workshops, community visits and some of our favourite whole-school events, including Sports Day. Some of the most meaningful therapeutic moments happen outside of the therapy room, and it has been wonderful to support students as they explored these experiences. As students head off for a well-earned summer break, our work continues behind the scenes. Over the holidays, we'll be busy planning new interventions, developing staff workshops, creating additional universal resources and therapeutic supports, and helping to prepare learning environments ready for another exciting year in September.

Finally, we'd like to thank our students for their enthusiasm, resilience and willingness to embrace new challenges, our families for your continued support and partnership, and our colleagues for the collaboration that makes therapeutic support such an integral part of school life. We hope you all have a wonderful, restful summer, and we look forward to seeing everyone again in September!

Ciara Quinn & The Clinical Team



Reminders & Dates



Dates for your Diary - September 2026

Wednesday 2nd and Thursday 3rd – INSET Days (no pupils)

Friday 4th – ALL PUPILS RETURN TO SCHOOL

Ready For School? You Bet!

As we head towards the Summer holidays, we will soon be preparing to come back to school in September – and we want it go as smoothly as possible!

We would advise parents and carers to have everything their child needs for a positive return to school in September, including uniform (for all weathers as September is always unpredictable!), new water bottles (no metal please), lunch boxes, and anything else they need for a super term ahead. Please also ensure you do not book holidays during term time. Please use the term dates on our website for planning family trips – the term dates can be found under Important Information. Any questions about this, please reach out to us.

Finally, we wish you a happy and restful break, and can not wait to see everyone back on Friday 4th September!

Some Other Handy Summer Links

Mel, our SALT Apprentice, also shared the following links which may be useful to parents and carers during the holidays:

[Universal Credit Days Out 2026](#)

[50 Fun, Free, SEND-Friendly Things To Do This Summer](#)

Free Worksheets and Colouring Activities – The Works



With the Summer just around the corner, we wanted to share this website with parents and carers, which has lots of printable worksheets and colouring that pupils can do during the holidays – including Toy Story, PAW Patrol and Paddington! Click [here](#).

Thank you to Mel, our SALT Apprentice for sharing this!

Thank you for all of your support this year!



Happy Summer Holidays!