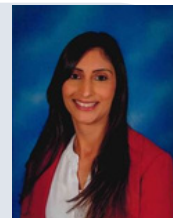




Growing minds, shaping futures and inspiring lifelong learning

# Houghton Regis Primary School Newsletter

Friday 5th June 2026



Headteacher: Mrs R Parmar  
Chair of Governors: Mrs D Pargeter

Dear Parents, Carers & Children,

Welcome back to the final half-term of this academic year. This term, there will be a focus on transition and preparing the children for the next chapter in their school journey. There will be movement in most year groups, as we balance out the needs within each cohort. You will receive more information about transition arrangements next week. Parents and carers of children in Reception and Year 1 received a letter yesterday about class arrangements next year. There will be a follow up meeting on Wednesday 10th June at 2:30pm for parents to attend to ask any questions about this.

This is also a busy term for sports, trips, celebrations and many events for year 6 as they celebrate their final term with us before they move to secondary school.

Yesterday, the children in year 2 enjoyed a visit from the fire brigade, where the firefighters spoke to the children about the importance of fire safety. The children learnt about the protective kit worn by firefighters and even raced against a firefighter to see how quickly they could put it on! They also had the exciting opportunity to explore how the fire engine used the water hoses, which the children tried and managed to wet all the teachers' cars! Thank you to Dunstable fire station for coming to visit us!

On Thursday, the community PCSO came in to talk to year 6 about knife crime, county lines, AI use and social media. The children engaged well and asked lots of questions about the subjects. They learnt that the age of criminal responsibility is 10 years old and that electric scooters need to have a licence. The children found it interesting to know that if you have an electric scooter and are not safe, the police can take away your licence until you are 23 years old! The children engaged in an AI spotting game and did very well at spotting the fake pictures.

We are looking forward to seeing you at our Summer Fayre on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> June. Entry will be via the gate at the bottom of playground. There will be many activities for families to engage in, such as plastic axe throwing, a bouncy castle, hook a duck, lucky dip and tombola to name a few, as well as a food vans selling hot dogs, burgers and ice cream so please come along and join in the fun! We also have some fantastic raffle prizes. Raffle tickets have been on sale for the past few weeks and will also be available to purchase on Saturday. The raffle will be drawn next week, so please ensure your raffle tickets have the correct details on them. Dependent on the weather, we may move the fayre indoors but all activities will still be accessible. We will be accepting payments by cash or card. Our non-uniform day was very successful today - a huge thank you for all your contributions!

Before half-term, we sent Age UK charity bags home and were pleased to have received a total of 52 bags. Thank you once again to all families for your donations.

End of year reports will be sent home later this term. Please ensure the school office has your correct email address as all reports will be sent home electronically.

On Monday, we have school photographs being taken. Please ensure all children come to school in full uniform, even if it is their PE day. Teachers have sent information around this on Class Dojo.

Congratulations to Isabella Gradley for taking part in her first gymnastics competition. She attended the National Roses Competition last week and won her first medal - well done and keep up the great work!

Please join me in wishing Miss Rogers all the best of luck as she starts her maternity leave. We will keep you posted with her exciting news!

I look forward to seeing many of you tomorrow at the Summer Fayre!

Have a lovely weekend.

*Mrs R Parmar*

Headteacher

Happiness - Independence - Excellence - Respect - Ambition

## Uniform Expectations

- White plain polo shirt/blouse or white shirt and school tie (optional)
- Bottle green sweatshirt or cardigan (with school logo - optional)
- Grey trousers or grey skirt/pinafore (knee length)
- Leggings are not permitted
  - White or grey socks
  - White or grey tights
  - Black school shoes

## PE Days

- Nursery—Monday
- Reception—Wednesday
- Year 1—Thursday & Friday
- Year 2—Tuesday & Wednesday
- Year 3—Monday & Friday
- Year 4—Monday & Thursday (Yellow)
- Friday (Blue)
- Year 5—Monday & Thursday
- Year 6—Monday & Wednesday

## Attendance Winners

- EYFS: Gold with 97.6%  
Reward - Golden Time
- KS1: Orange 97.8%  
Reward - Hot chocolate
- LKS2: Yellow with 97.1%  
Reward - Class party
- UKS2: Amber with 97.1%  
Reward - Hot chocolate
- Whole School: 91.5%

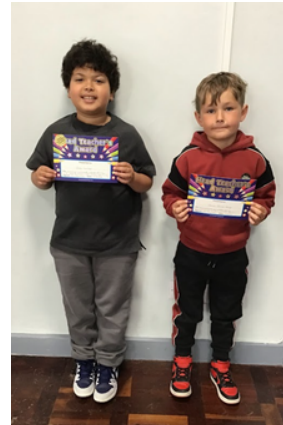
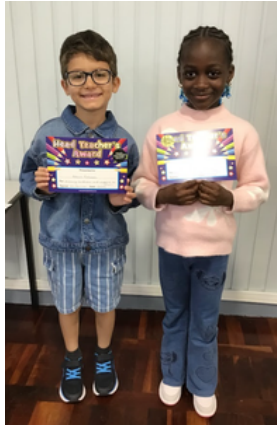
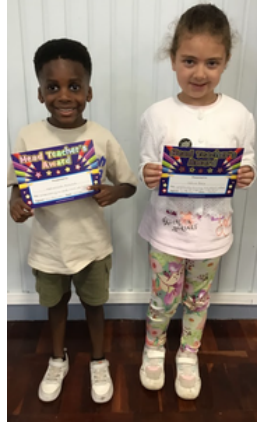
## Housepoint Winners

- Johnson - 26 points
- Bell - 23 points
- Curie - 22 points
- Brunel - 21 points

# Headteacher Awards

Congratulations to the following children:

Early Years: Hallie G, Noah A, Klaudia K, Hugo W  
 Years 1 & 2: Salma B, Nehemiah K, Adam R, Jayden D  
 Years 3 & 4: Jaxon-James G, Jake L, Freddie H, Zac A  
 Years 5 & 6: Sam C, Willow D-S, Evie S, Maya I



**Kidz Zone Before & After School Club Information**

If you would like further information on Kidz Zone, please visit their website or book on [www.kidzzoneclub.com](http://www.kidzzoneclub.com)

**Staff Values Champion of the Week**


Congratulations to Mrs Cobb for... displaying the value of **Happiness** and always smiling.




**Bronze Awards - 100 Dojo Points**



**Silver Awards - 200 Dojo Points**



**Gold Awards - 300 Dojo Points**



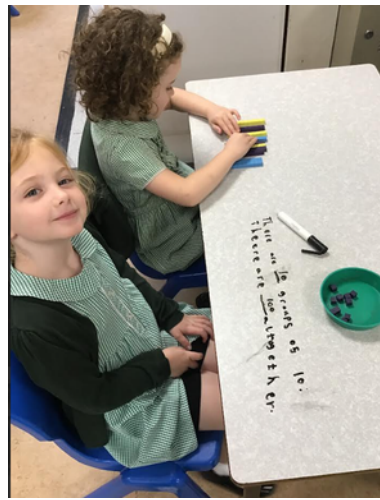
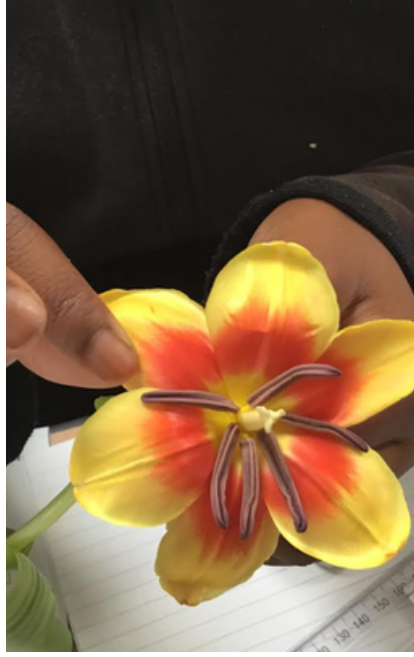
**Platinum Awards - 400 Dojo Points**



**Special Award - 500 Dojo Points**



# Our learning this week...



## Summer Term Events

Date	Time	Year Group	Event	Location
Saturday 6 <sup>th</sup> June	12:00-3:00pm	All	Summer Fayre - organised by Friends of HRPS. If you are able to volunteer on the day, please email Mrs R Reid-Stavrinides at: ptahrps@gmail.com	
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> June		All	School photographs for class groups and siblings. Please ensure children have their full uniform in school for their photograph.	
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> - Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> June		Year 1	Phonics Screening Week	
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> June		Year 3	Trip to Buckingham Railway Centre	
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> June	2:30pm	Reception and Year 1	Meeting to discuss transition arrangements for next year	Hall
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> June	2:45pm	Year 5 - Amber Class	Class Assembly - parents invited	Hall
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> June			SATs Week - English	
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> June	9:30-11:00am	Years 1 and 2	Sports Day	Field
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> June	1:30-3:00pm	Years 3, 4, 5 and 6	Sports Day	Field
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> June	9:30-10:30am	Nursery (morning children only) and Reception	Sports Day	Field
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> June	1:30-2:30pm	Nursery (all day and afternoon children)	Sports Day	Field
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> June	2:45pm	Year 5 - Emerald Class	Class Assembly - parents invited	Hall

## Summer Term Events

Date	Time	Year Group	Event	Location
Monday 22nd June		Year 2	SATs Week - Maths	
Monday 22nd June	9:00-11:30am	Reception to Year 5	Transition Morning	
Monday 22nd June	2:15-3:00pm	Reception	Reception Graduation Day	
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> June	9:00-11:30am	Reception to Year 5	Transition Morning	
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> June	1:30-2:30pm	Reception	Visit to the library	
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> June	9:15-10:30am	Children in iRock band	iRock Summer Concert - invited parents to attend	Hall
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> June	10:00-11:30am 1:30-2:30pm	Year 2 Year 1	Visit to the library	
Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup> June		Year 1	Trip to Wardown Park Museum	
Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup> June	All day	Year 6 children who have a place at Queensbury Academy for September	Queensbury Academy Induction Day	
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> July				
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> July		All	Move to new classes	
Week commencing 6 <sup>th</sup> July	tbc	Year 6	Production (morning performance)	Hall
Week commencing 6 <sup>th</sup> July	tbc	Year 6	Production (afternoon performance)	Hall
Week commencing 6 <sup>th</sup> July	tbc	Year 6	Production (evening performance)	Hall
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> July	2:15-3:00pm	Nursery	Nursery Graduation Day	
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> July		All	Themed school lunch - Fifa World Cup Picnic Day	
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> July	4:30-6:00pm	Year 6	Leavers' Event	
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	9:15am	Year 6	Leavers' Assembly	Hall
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> July		All	Last day of term— school finishes at 2:00pm. There will be no after school club on this day.	

# Our Leadership Team



Headteacher  
Mrs R Parmar



Assistant Headteacher—  
Pastoral & Inclusion  
Ms D Faure-Alexis



Assistant Headteacher—  
Academic &  
Lower Key Stage 2 Leader  
Mr D de Gouviea-Smith



School Business  
Manager  
Mrs F Jones



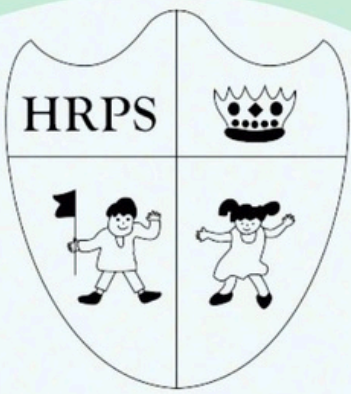
EYFS Leader  
Lead Practitioner  
Miss M Davidson



Key Stage 1  
Leader  
Miss S Hayat



Key Stage 2  
Leader  
Miss E Naisby



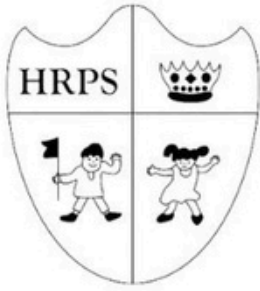
COME & JOIN US FOR OUR

# SUMMER FAYRE

**SATURDAY 6TH JUNE**    **HOUGHTON REGIS  
PRIMARY SCHOOL**

**12:00 - 15:00**

**FREE ENTRY**



# SUMMER FAYRE

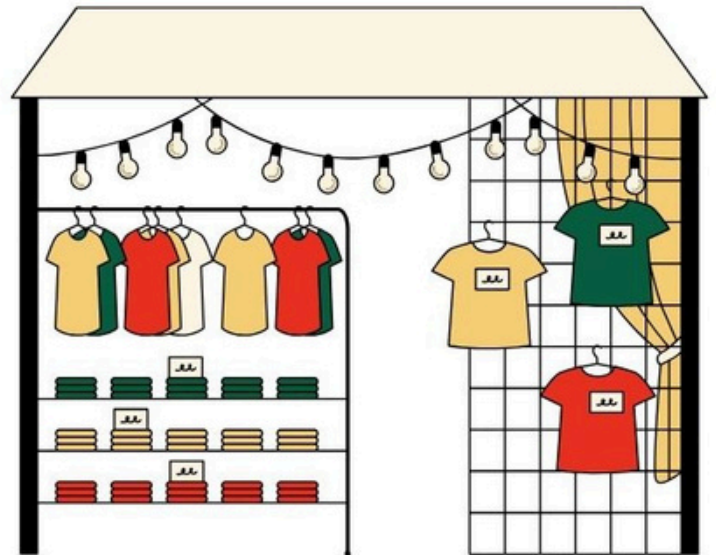
@ HOUGHTON REGIS PRIMARY SCHOOL

☀️ **Local businesses wanted!** ☀️

We're inviting local traders, makers, and businesses to book a stall at our School Summer Fayre, on Saturday the 6<sup>th</sup> of June 2026.



It's a great opportunity to showcase your products, meet the community, and support the school while enjoying a fun summer family event!



**Spaces are limited!**  
Get in touch to reserve your stall...



📅 Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> June

🕒 12:00 - 15:00

📍 Houghton Regis Primary School, LU5 5DH

✉️ [office@houghtonregisprimary.co.uk](mailto:office@houghtonregisprimary.co.uk)



## WELCOME TO YOUR NEW SCHOOL!

You've joined a school that rocks...literally! Every week, children get to jam together in real bands with iRock School of Music. Whether they're on keys, drums, vocals or guitar, they'll learn their favourite songs and even perform live for their grown-ups to cheer them on.

But, iRock is more than music – it's about confidence, friendship and imagination. **Our youngest iRockers in Reception start their musical journey through play, rhythm and teamwork, building foundational skills whilst having fun!**

👏 *It's great to see our child having the confidence to go on stage and sing. Such a proud moment and he was so chuffed with himself!* 🎶  
– Proud Parent of Reception iRocker, 2025



## All About iRock

- **Band-based lessons for Reception to Year 6**
- Real instruments and music pupils love
- **Taught by expert Band Coaches in small groups**
- Bands grouped by age
- **Regular concerts and rewards**
- Exam-free Group Performance qualification awarded by RSL
- **Journey through the engaging iRock curriculum**
- Simple monthly subscription service
- **Log in to the iRock Parent Portal to view your child's progress.**

# “ 4- to 5-year-olds in a rock band... how does that work? ”

At this early stage, your child is developing language, coordination and emotional awareness – all the things iRock supports naturally through music.

**Being in a band is about so much more than just learning notes** - the benefits of iRock help develop so many vital skills during early childhood.

## Social

Children learn to take turns, share ideas, and play as a team. Listening is essential, and bandmates build empathy, situational awareness and reasoning whilst working towards a shared goal.



## Language

Children follow musical cues, learn new words, and grow confidence in speaking and listening. iRock builds strong language and listening foundations through music-led communication.



## Motor Skills

Strumming, tapping, and pressing keys develop fine motor control. iRock strengthens hand coordination and muscle memory through clapping and instrument use each week.



## Emotional

Playing music helps children release energy and feel proud of what they achieve. iRock builds a sense of belonging, responsibility, and joy—key emotional tools as they enter structured school life.



## Cognitive

Reception pupils build focus by keeping rhythm and solving musical challenges through play. iRock boosts attention spans and early reasoning in a fun, structured way that supports classroom learning.

# Are your children eligible for benefits-based free school meals?


All children in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2 are entitled to free school meals referred to as 'Universal Infant Free School Meals' (UIFSM).

But any child in Reception through to Year 11 that meets the Government criteria listed below is entitled to benefits based free school meals. By claiming this, there are also other benefits available to the child and family such as access to the Holiday Activities and Food programme, providing free activities during the Easter, Summer and Christmas school holidays.

Do you receive one of the following benefits?

- Universal Credit (provided you have an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400, as assessed by earnings from up to three of your most recent assessment periods)
- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- \* Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- support under Part IV of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- the Guarantee element of State Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you are not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and you have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on (paid for four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit)

If so, your children may be entitled to benefits based free school meals. Turn over to find out how to apply.

Find us online  [www.centralbedfordshire.gov.uk/free-school-meals](http://www.centralbedfordshire.gov.uk/free-school-meals)

# How to apply for free school meals




If you think you meet the free school meals eligibility criteria, please call us on 0300 300 8306. When you call to apply for free school meals, please have the following information ready:


- National Insurance numbers and dates of birth for you and your partner
- dates of birth for your children
- your NASS number, if you receive support from the National Asylum Support Service

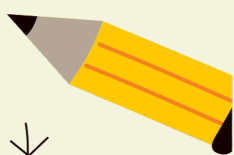
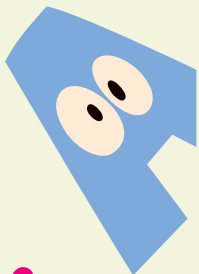
If your child is aged 16-18 and attends a further education or sixth form college, please contact the college for information about free school meals. If your child attends a school sixth form, please contact us to apply.

As soon as we have confirmed that you qualify, we will tell your child's school that their free school meals can start from the date you apply.

Need some more advice or support? Head to your local Children's Centre for help.

Find your local centre by visiting  [bit.ly/familyinfodirectory](https://bit.ly/familyinfodirectory)

Find us online  [www.centralbedfordshire.gov.uk/free-school-meals](http://www.centralbedfordshire.gov.uk/free-school-meals)



# DEVINE

## FOOTBALL COACHING

DEVELOPMENT CENTRE

FOR BOYS & GIRLS



# MONDAY NIGHTS

DEVELOPING PLAYERS.  
BUILDING FUTURES.

TIME

5-6PM | U5-U7

6-7PM | U8-U10

7-8PM | U11-U13



DEVELOP  
TECHNICALLY



BUILD CONFIDENCE  
IN A POSITIVE,  
FUN ENVIRONMENT



LINKS TO  
GRASS ROOTS  
TEAMS



LOCATION | CREASEY PARK, DUNSTABLE



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The children have had an exciting assembly this week about 'Beat the Street' and they are excited to compete against all the other schools in the area.

If you have any queries please see Mrs White.

## **Beat the Street is Coming to Houghton Regis!**

**Get active. Have fun. Win prizes!**

Your school is taking part in **Beat the Street** – a FREE walking, cycling and wheeling game for the whole family!

 **When: 10 June – 8 July 2026**

### **How it works**

- **FREE game pack** (card + map) will be sent home via each pupil
- Find **Beat Boxes** around your area (**including near school**)
- Tap your card on **2 Beat Boxes within an hour**
- Earn points for **you and your school**

### **Check your child's bookbag for their game pack**

- Let's get moving and make Houghton Regis the most active place to be!

The more you explore, the more points you score!

### **Prizes up for grabs!**

- School competitions
- Leaderboards
- Individual "Lucky Tap" rewards

### **Get started**

1. Register your card at [beatthestreet.me/houghtonregis](https://beatthestreet.me/houghtonregis) (or download the app 13+yrs)
2. Join your school team
3. Start walking, cycling, and scoring points!