



Homer First School & Nursery

Newsletter – Friday 14th February 2025

Message from the Headteacher

It has certainly been a busy start to the New Year, and I'd like to say a big well done to all the children for their hard work this term, they continue to make us feel very proud.

Here are some highlights from the term so far.

Ufton Court

Our Year 4 pupils visited Ufton Court for a 1-night residential trip. They took part in activities to learn about the Roman Empire and its impact on Celtic Britain and to experience elements of culture and life in Roman Britain. It was a fantastic experience, and we'd like to say a big well done to our Year 4 pupils and thank you to staff for supporting them on the trip.

KS1 Trip Milestone Museum

Children in Year 1 and Year 2 visited the Milestone Museum on Tuesday. During the trip the children discussed the differences between old and new toys and games. They also experienced play time in the past through active participation with a range of toys and games dating from within living memory. It was an amazing experience, and everyone had a great time. Thank you to our parent helpers for accompanying us.

NSPCC Numbers Day

Thank for supporting this - we raised £142.

Valentines Disco

Thank you to Friends of Homer for organising this event. The children had a wonderful time, and the money raised will go towards supporting the school.

I'd also like to thank Friends of Homer for purchasing microscopes. The children have made great use of them during recent Science lessons.

Please take a look at our gallery for photographs of these events. [Gallery | Homer First School & Nursery](#)

Games for Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club would be grateful to receive donations of board games/puzzles in good condition and with all their pieces. If you have any that you would like to donate, please drop them off at either breakfast club or the school office.

Scooters/Bikes

Please remember to leave scooters & bikes at the gate. They should not be ridden into the school playground.

PE Kits

A reminder that our school PE kit is plain black joggers/shorts & jumper and a white T-Shirt. Please refer to our [uniform policy](#)

Windsor Rugby 6 Nations Recipe Competition - A competition to find the best recipes.

<https://ilovewindsor.co.uk/windsor-rugby/>

Tesco Dedworth has teamed up with Windsor Rugby to raise money for the Windsor Rugby Tour 2025 and help those young people who would otherwise struggle to afford to go on tour with their teammates.

Have a lovely half term break!

Mrs Sharma

Updates & Curriculum News

Thank you for taking the time to complete the recent parent survey. Your views are important to us and home and school partnership is key to the children's success. An action from the survey was keeping you informed of your child's progress and we're considering further ways to do this. Class Teachers do provide termly updates on the class pages and in your child's planner you'll find key skills in Maths & English for your child to practice.

[Class Pages | Homer First School & Nursery](#)

Attendance

The Government has issued statutory guidance on attendance for all schools. We will continue to monitor attendance and punctuality.

Our overall school attendance is 93%.

Our target is 96%.

We are seeing an increase in lateness, and we'd like to remind you that school starts at 8.35am.

[Should I keep my child off school checklist poster \(publishing.service.gov.uk\)](#)

Diary Dates & Reminders

Tuesday 25th February – Little City workshops for Nursery, Reception & Year 1

Tuesday 4th March – Year 3 Road Safety session

Wednesday 5th March – World Book Day themed dance workshops for Years 1 – 4

Starting on Wednesday 5th March and running every Weds for 5 weeks – Hartbeeps musical story-telling sessions for Nursery. More details to follow.

Thursday 6th March – World Book Day mufti. Children can dress up as their favourite book character.

Monday 10th March – Dance workshop based on the book Where the Wild Things Are for Nursery, Reception & Year 1

Tuesday 11th March – Dance workshop based on Alice in Wonderland for Years 2 – 4

Thursday 13th March – Dogs Trust workshop for Years 3 & 4. (NB - No real dogs in school).

Tuesday 25th, Wednesday 26th & Thursday 28th March – Parents evenings. Details to follow.

Wednesday 26th March – Epilepsy Awareness Mufti Day. Wear purple to school.

Wednesday 26th to Friday 28th March – FoH Mothers' Day shop

Friday 4th April – FoH Crazy Hair Day and Easter Egg Hunt. **Early finish at 1.30pm.**

Tuesday 22nd April – **Inset Day.** School closed for children.

Wednesday 23rd April – Children return to school, 8.35am.

Thursday 12th June – Sports Day

Thursday 19th June – Reserve Sports Day

Friday 18th July – Year 4 Leavers' Evening. Details to follow in due course.