

HMS & Newsletter

Term: Spring 2

Message from Head of School



Dear Parents and Carers,

Yet another term has passed us, and I can honestly say it has flown by for all of us here at Hillingdon Manor School. Nevertheless, we are glad to see that Spring is upon us. The longer and milder days are certainly being put to effective use where outdoor learning opportunities are taking place. Thank you to all our parents who have supported us with our key focuses this term. These were 'Positive Attendance' to maximise pupil outcomes and 'Communication' to strengthen our home/school partnership working. We are keen to continue building on this into the next term. However, we will be moving on to our new focus for summer term. This will be 'Total Communication.' Please look out for more updates from us around how you at home, can work with us at school to create 'Total Communication' approaches around our pupils.

For now, I wish each and every one of you a restful Easter break. For those of you that are celebrating religious festivals during the break, I hope you thoroughly enjoy your time celebrating with families. For families that are using the time to go away, I wish you safe travels. Finally, for those families that are looking forward to spending time together at home, I hope the weather is kind to you and that you can enjoy some local trips out and about. We look forward to welcoming you back and celebrating our final term together!

Best wishes,
Grace.



A peek at what we are learning around the HMS Community in some of our Key Stage 3/4



English -

KS3 - Focus book for the Term Monster Calls students have been working on developing their comprehension skills



Mathematics

KS3 - Adding and subtracting decimals.



Science

KS3 - Learning about gases

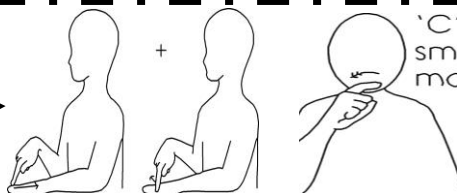


Humanities

KS4 - Environmental Awareness

Sign of the week

Easter →



'C' finger makes small anti-clockwise movement on chin

← Chocolate



Events at the HMS this term



Featuring our
events team

EVENTS

The staff at the Manor have been diligently organising school events, ensuring student involvement and collaborating with staff to integrate events into our learning curriculum. A hearty commendation to Madhu, Barrington, Sejal and Komal

International Women's Day

Key Stage 5 students actively participated in their curriculum by crafting posters, exploring the significance of influential women in our lives, and contributing to completing the school's display board.



WOMEN'S DAY

World Book Day

During this year's World Book Day celebration at Hillingdon Manor, we welcomed guest author Sarah Hagger-Holt. Students decorated their form room doors and participated in the author's workshop. Have a look at our website post here: [WBD at HMS](#)



Red Nose Day

Students dressed in red to celebrate Red Nose Day. Class teams conducted in-class activities, such as cakes with members of Pupil Voice assisting in collecting donations.

**RED
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DAY**

Pictures and event updates

STEM Week

STEM stands for Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics. Our students actively participated in onsite workshops led by Science Boffins, demonstrating high engagement levels. Additionally, offsite trips were organised to enhance their learning experiences. For more information, please visit the school website here:

[STEM at HMS](#)



Market Day

Students have been working hard, developing and using their English and Mathematics skills to prepare for this year's Spring Market Day. The event has given learners opportunities to improve their communication skills. The school community and attending parents have witnessed the success of this Easter's Market Day. We eagerly anticipate the upcoming Summer Market Day.



EVENTS

World Book Day



Holi

Classes have joyfully commemorated the festival of Holi within their respective class teams, embracing the vibrant tradition known for its array of colours. Students adorned themselves in a spectrum of hues to mark this festive occasion.





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Dates for your Diary

April

2nd - World Autism Day

22nd - Focus Week - Sensory Week

May

6th - Bank Holiday

7th - Coffee Morning- OT

20th - Focus Week - Cultural Diversity Week

20th - Pupil Progress Day

21st - Coffee Morning - Forest schools

24th - Schools Reward Trips

27th - 31st - Half Term



Reading



For this edition,

We are sharing a free site again that parents can use at home with KS3 pupils and children. Below is a link to a free e-book website:

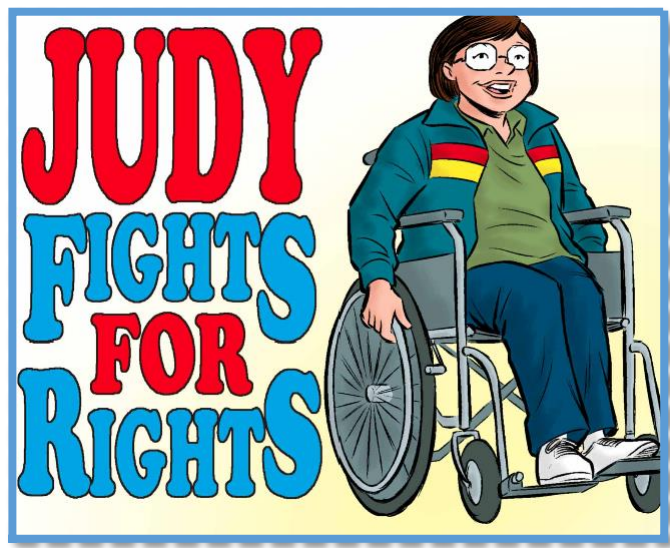
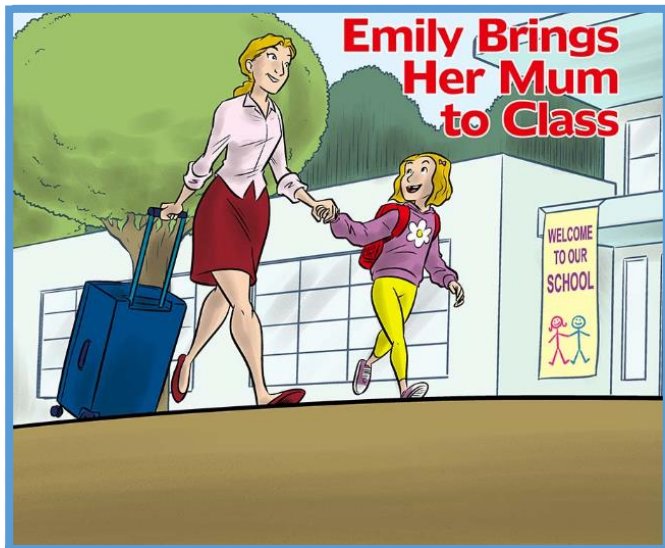
[Chapter One | Story Library](#)

BELOW ARE SOME OF BOOK

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THIS PLATFORM

Online Safety Update: WhatsApp

Each month on our school website we post Online safety information for parents, here is a link to this month's post on WhatsApp : [Click Here](#)



Reading recommendations from Chapter One