

NORWOOD GREEN JUNIOR SCHOOL



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NEWSLETTER ISSUE 3 18 SEPTEMBER 2026

PARENT CURRICULUM MEETINGS

I just wanted to say a big thank you to all our parents and carers who joined us for the curriculum meetings, it means a lot that you took the time to come in and find out more about what your child is learning.

PARENT FEEDBACK

Thank you to all the parents who completed the feedback forms after the parent curriculum meeting. Your thoughts will help us improve future meetings and make sure we're meeting your needs.

SPAGHETTI MATHS CLUB

Last Friday, the children had an exciting assembly from Spaghetti Maths. We are very pleased that Spaghetti Maths will be running their creative and fun after-school club at Norwood Green Junior School starting on Tuesday 22nd September. Every week the children will create something amazing to take home. They will be learning about all sorts of incredible things from building pop-up 3D shapes to investigating how helicopters fly or even learning their 1089 times table! Each session costs £7. If you would like your child to take part in this fascinating new club, please use the link below to book:

<https://www.spaghettimaths.co.uk/events/norwood-green-junior-school-autumn-26/>



JEANS FOR GENES DAY

Thank you for all your kind donations. The money we have raised together will go to help many families in need.

Reminder – Year 3 Jeans for Genes Mufti Day will be on Friday 25th September due to having their WOW Day today.



LABELLING AND LOST PROPERTY

We have a lot of lost property in school at the moment that is not labelled with pupil's names.

A friendly reminder to please ensure that all items belonging to your child are clearly labelled with their name. This includes:

- School jumpers and cardigans
- Coats and jackets
- PE kits
- Water bottles
- Lunch boxes

Clearly labelled items help us return lost property to children quickly and reduce the amount of unnamed clothing and belongings in our lost property collection.

Thank you for your support and cooperation.

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NEWS

IROCK CLUB

There are still spaces in our iRock club, use the QR code to secure a place.



iRock band lessons are fun, boost confidence, support wellbeing and help develop social skills. Join an iRock band today and rock out all year long!



No experience needed and all instruments are provided

Choose vocals, keyboard, guitar or drums

Led by professional Band Coaches with a love for music

Access our online portal for lesson updates and pictures

Exam-free, Ofqual-regulated RSL qualifications available

30-minute weekly lessons happen during the school day*

*Some sessions may take place before or after school.



We are blown away by the care, attention and nurturing support our iRock Band Coach gives our daughter and we can't stop smiling seeing the confidence she's gained.
Proud parent, 2025



JOIN THE FUN

There are spaces in bands at your school

IROCKSCHOOL.COM
[@WeAreiRock](https://www.instagram.com/weareirock)

SCAN TO SIGN UP NOW



NEWS

YEAR 6 SECONDARY SCHOOL APPLICATIONS

Year 6 children will be transferring to secondary school in September 2027.

Parents need to apply for a secondary school place by 31st October 2026. Please go to the website of the local authority where you live, to complete the application.

Applications must be submitted by 31st October 2026.

www.hounslow.gov.uk/secondaryadmissions

[Apply for high school \(primary to high school transfer\)](#) | [Apply for high school \(primary to high school transfer\)](#) | [Ealing Council](#)

The deadline for secondary school place applications is 31 October

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Key dates

1 September 2026

Applications open. Apply online at www.hounslow.gov.uk/secondaryadmissions

September / October 2026

Schools will be holding open days and evenings for prospective parents / carers - please see individual school information on pages 26-69

31 October 2026

Closing date for applications

15 March 2027

Last date for you to accept your school offer. After this date, the portal will close and will not be able to accept your offer online

1 March 2027

National Offer Day
Results of your application will be sent in the evening by email

7 December 2026 5pm

Closing date for applications from people moving into the Borough after 31 October 2026 (must be received by 5pm) or for any late applications to be considered as on time due to exceptional circumstances.

15 April 2027, 5pm

Closing date for return of appeal forms to ensure your appeal is heard before the end of the summer term.

April - July 2027 onwards

Appeal hearings for community schools will be heard



July 2027

All pupils transferring to Hounslow secondary schools will have an opportunity to spend an induction day at their new school. This is normally the first Tuesday in July. Please confirm this with your school.

ATTENDANCE

ATTENDANCE CHAMPIONS FOR WEEK: 14TH – 18TH SEPTEMBER 2026

The Attendance Award was won this week by 4S – congratulations! Their attendance this week was 100%!



TERM TIME LEAVE

Please remember that children are not allowed any time off during term time. There are 13 weeks of non-school time throughout the year when holidays and visits can take place. This is a directive by the Government which all schools must follow. Please ensure that your child attends school regularly.

ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

Children should be in class and ready for learning by 9.00am. It is important that children learn to be punctual for school every day. Any children who arrive past 9.00am are considered late and must report to the school office or a member of staff on duty on the playground. At the start of the day, we operate a soft start system to help build children's confidence and independence.

ATTENDANCE

NORWOOD GREEN JUNIOR SCHOOL OVERALL ATTENDANCE CHART 3RD – 18TH SEPTEMBER 2026

Class	Percentage
3R	94.6%
3S	97.3%
4R	95.8%
4S	97.7%
4T	98.4%
5R	94.8%
5S	94.3%
5T	98.3%
6R	95.1%
6S	95.8%
6T	95.8%
Overall School	96.2%

The Government target for attendance is 96%. Any attendance below this figure has been highlighted red. It is important that your children attend school unless they are too ill to do so.



REPORTING ABSENCES

If your child is ill or unable to attend school, you will need to report it to the school. This can be done by ringing the school office on **0208 574 1726** to speak to a member of the office staff, or alternatively, you can email us at:

office@ngjs.hounslow.sch.uk

or

parents@ngjs.hounslow.sch.uk

Please notify the school by 9am if possible. The school will only "authorise" this absence if it is appropriate to do so.

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YEAR 3

YEAR 3 – MAKING A POSITIVE DIFFERENCE

Year 3 have been exploring how they can make a positive difference by supporting causes they believe in. The children formed groups based on their chosen causes, such as protecting the Earth from pollution, helping people experiencing homelessness, ensuring all children have access to education and making cinema films accessible to deaf people through subtitles. They could also choose a cause of their own. Each group wrote about what they believed in and identified three important actions they could take to support their cause. It was wonderful to see the children working together and sharing their thoughtful ideas!



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YEAR 4

YEAR 4 – WOW DAY

Year 4 had a fantastic time stepping back in time for our Roman Wow Day! The children took part in a range of exciting Roman-themed activities, from creating Roman numerals using lolly sticks in Maths to reading all about Roman life during Guided Comprehension. They also designed their own Roman shields, practised marching formations and enjoyed a series of fun Roman-themed games. The children looked fantastic in their Roman attire and embraced the day with great enthusiasm. What a memorable day of learning, creativity and fun!



YEAR 4

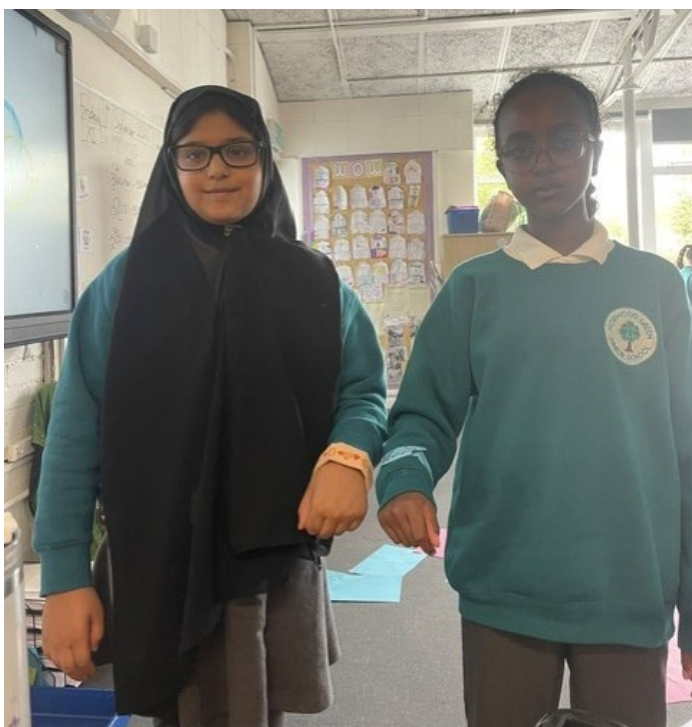


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YEAR 5

YEAR 5 – GETTING YEAR OFF TO GOOD START

Year 5 have made a fantastic start to the new school year! The children have settled in beautifully, met their new teachers and quickly adapted to their classroom routines. Throughout the week, we explored important values from our School Charter, including resilience, kindness and teamwork. The children demonstrated these values creatively by making origami bookmarks and ice creams. It has been wonderful to see everyone begin the year with such positivity, enthusiasm and a readiness to learn!



YEAR 5



YEAR 6

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YEAR 6 – WORLD WAR II

Over the summer, Year 6 were busy researching World War II and creating some fantastic projects! From detailed trenches and aeroplanes to informative posters, the children showed great creativity and enthusiasm. They enjoyed sharing their projects with the class and teaching each other some of the interesting facts they had discovered.

To consolidate this, we have learnt more about the hidden heroes of World War II with our class story time book too and we are learning about the contributions of Indian soldiers and the help they provided during the world's crisis.



CENTRE FOR THE DEAF

CENTRE FOR THE DEAF – ART

We were delighted to welcome Ms Clyde's sister, Deb, to our Centre for the Deaf, where she led a wonderful autumn-themed art activity with our Deaf children. The children created a beautiful autumnal scene featuring a bat flying through the night sky, using leaves they had collected during our woodland walk to add a special natural touch to their artwork.

Everyone had great fun and developed lots of creative and practical skills along the way. We are very grateful to Deb for giving up her time to share her creativity and make the activity such a lovely experience for the children!



CENTRE FOR THE DEAF



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STARS OF THE WEEK

Well done to our Stars of the Week this week, we are very proud of you all!

YEAR 3 STARS OF THE WEEK

Crystal – 3R

Elliott – 3S



YEAR 4 STARS OF THE WEEK

Hassan – 4R

Hibah – 4S

Krivam – 4T



STARS OF THE WEEK

YEAR 5 STARS OF THE WEEK

Princeveer – 5R

Daksh – 5S

Arwen – 5T



YEAR 6 STARS OF THE WEEK

Gursahib – 6R

Eva – 6S

Naw Gula – 6T



Well done!

DIARY DATES

- 23 SEP:** CLASS 5R & 5S TRIP TO GUNNERSBURY MUSEUM
- 24 SEP:** CLASS 5T TRIP TO GUNNERSBURY MUSEUM
- 25 SEP:** JEANS FOR GENES DAY FOR YEAR 3 ONLY
- 6 OCT:** YEAR 6 HEIGHTS AND WEIGHTS
- 8 OCT:** YR 4 TRIP TO NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUM
- 13 OCT:** YR 6 TRIP TO IMPERIAL WAR MUSEUM
- 19 OCT:** YEAR 4 PEDESTRIAN SKILLS TRAINING
- 21 OCT:** YR 3 TRIP TO SCIENCE MUSEUM
- 23 OCT:** LAST DAY OF TERM – PUPILS FINISH AT 2.30PM
- 2 NOV:** INSET DAY SCHOOL CLOSED FOR PUPILS
- 3 NOV:** PUPILS RETURN TO SCHOOL
- 3 NOV:** KAOS WORKSHOP
- 13 NOV:** SCHOOL PHOTOS
- 17 NOV:** INTO FILM FESTIVAL TRIP FOR CENTRE FOR THE DEAF
- 19 NOV:** PARENTS EVENING
- 24 NOV:** PARENTS EVENING
- 24 NOV:** FLU IMMUNISATIONS 2ND CLINIC

TERM DATES 2026-2027

AUTUMN TERM 2026
THURSDAY 3 SEPTEMBER TO FRIDAY 18 DECEMBER 2026

HALF TERM:
MONDAY 26 OCTOBER TO MONDAY 2 NOVEMBER 2026

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS:
MONDAY 21 DECEMBER TO FRIDAY 1 JANUARY 2027

SPRING TERM 2027
MONDAY 4 JANUARY TO THURSDAY 25 MARCH 2027

HALF TERM:
MONDAY 15 FEBRUARY TO MONDAY 22 FEBRUARY 2027

EASTER HOLIDAYS:
FRIDAY 26 MARCH TO FRIDAY 9 APRIL 2027

SUMMER TERM 2027
MONDAY 12 APRIL TO WEDNESDAY 21 JULY 2027

MAY DAY: MONDAY 3 MAY 2027

HALF TERM:
MONDAY 31 MAY TO MONDAY 7 JUNE 2027



Online Safety Newsletter

Sept 2026

Childline under 12s site

Childline have a separate area on their website for under 12s. The pages are written for primary school children. The area includes a section full of games and a Buddy Zone with tips, such as how to speak to a trusted adult and information on where to get extra support from.

You can access this area here:

<https://www.childline.org.uk/get-support/u12-landing/>

How to manage parental controls for different ages?

Internet Matters asked online experts, Karl Hopwood and Richard Waite to share their advice on how to manage parental controls for different ages. Find out more here:

<https://www.internetmatters.org/hub/question/managing-parental-controls-for-different-ages/>

Would you like to read this newsletter in a different language? You can use the translation tool on our web version: <https://www.knowsleycscs.org.uk/september-2026-primary/>

New guidance issued due to concern of AI-manipulated images

Photos of children that seem completely innocent can be manipulated using artificial intelligence (AI) to create sexualised or abusive images. There is a growing threat that children's images shared online are being manipulated by criminals into AI generated sexual abuse material. As concerns grow, the Internet Watch Foundation (IWF) and the National Crime Agency (NCA) have issued new guidance to help you understand the risks around AI image manipulation and advice on how to speak to your child about AI and image consent.



The IWF states that child sexual abuse images or videos created or altered using AI may include:

- Everyday images of a child or young person that are manipulated into child sexual abuse imagery, including images taken from social media, websites or messaging apps, that are manipulated into sexualised or abusive imagery. These are sometimes known as 'deepfakes'.
- Images or videos that look like a real child but are completely artificial.
- AI technology that digitally removes clothing from existing images to create nude or semi-nude images, sometimes known as 'nudifying'.

[source: IWF <https://www.iwf.org.uk/resources/ai-child-abuse-imagery-parent-guide/> accessed 25.08.26]

What can I do?

The guidance provides practical advice about sharing photographs of your child online. Some useful things to consider are:

- Think before you share photographs online. The IWF suggest creating a 'close friends' group to share images.
- Check and adjust your privacy settings on all social media accounts.
- Understand the steps to take if you or your child has any concerns and the organisations you can contact.

Where can I find the new guidance?

The full guidance can be accessed at the link below. It also includes a video highlighting how everyday photos can be misused using AI tools.

<https://www.iwf.org.uk/resources/ai-child-abuse-imagery-parent-guide/>

You can find the full press release/announcement here:

<https://www.nationalcrimeagency.gov.uk/news/new-guidance-for-parents-and-carers-as-ai-manipulated-images-of-children-become-a-growing-concern>

YouTube

YouTube is one of the most popular platforms, available across many different devices - phones, tablets and Smart TVs etc. YouTube is intended for users over the age of 13, however, younger children can still access YouTube with consent from a parent/guardian. There are different options available to access YouTube, depending on your child's age:



1. YouTube Kids – a separate app that includes a smaller selection of videos based on the age category you select: Preschool (ages 4 and under), Younger (ages 5–8) or Older (ages 9–12).

2. Supervised accounts – a parent-managed version of YouTube that allows you to control the content your child can access. You can select one of the following options:

- **Explore** - Generally for viewers aged 9+.
- **Explore more** - Generally for viewers aged 13+
- **Most of YouTube** - This setting includes almost everything except for videos marked as 18+.

Find out more: <https://support.google.com/youtube/answer/10315420>

What do I need to be aware of?

Whilst YouTube can be educational and fun, it is important to be aware of the potential risks, such as:

- **Inappropriate content**
- **Excessive Screen time** – particularly due to the autoplay feature.
- **Unwanted contact / cyberbullying** – particularly via comments if your child is sharing videos.
- **Algorithms** – algorithms influence what we see to keep us engaged. This can lead to a user being exposed to large amounts of content about one topic/theme, which may not be helpful if it is negative.
- **Adverts** that may not be aimed at or suitable for your child's age.

What can I do?

- Set up appropriate parental controls.
- Show your child the reporting and blocking tools available.
- Watch YouTube together or supervise use.

Further information

<https://www.internetmatters.org/parental-controls/entertainment-search-engines/youtube-app/>

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A guide for parents and carers on managing children's digital lives

The Children's Commissioner has published this guide to help you support your child and make starting conversations about their online world easier. It's a useful read:

<https://assets.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/wpuploads/2025/12/cc-what-i-wish-parent-guide.pdf>

Nex Playground

Nex Playground is a new video game console, which features games to get kids active. The games have no ads, no violence and no chat features, however it does rely on purchasing either a yearly or quarterly game subscription. You can find out more here:

<https://www.nexplayground.com/en-gb>

Online Safety Quiz

The NSPCC have created this quiz to test your child's knowledge on how to stay safe online. It's a great way to start a conversation with your child about their online life. You can access the quiz here:

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/quiz/>

WhatsApp Usernames

WhatsApp is introducing the use of usernames, so people no longer have to share their phone number. Wayne Denner provides an overview of the new features, what you need to consider and steps you can take here:

<https://www.waynedenner.com/whatsapp-username-what-parents-need-to-know/>

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SHEWISE
WOMEN'S RESOURCE HUB

CHAI, CHAT & SELF-CARE

What's in Your Self-Care Toolkit?

Take time for yourself and join us for a friendly morning of wellbeing, connection and support.

- CHAI & CHAT**
Relax, chat and enjoy good company.
- SELF-CARE & WELLBEING ACTIVITY**
Share ideas and discover simple ways to look after yourself.
- EASY KIDS' LUNCH IDEAS**
Healthy, simple and budget-friendly inspiration.
- MEET & CONNECT**
Build friendships and connect with other women.
- FREE GROCERY BAG TO TAKE HOME**
While stocks last!

THURSDAY, 17 SEPTEMBER
10:30am - 12:00pm

CONVENT WAY COMMUNITY CENTRE
Convent Way,
Southall, UB2 5UG

FREE TO ATTEND | **REFRESHMENTS PROVIDED** | **WOMEN ONLY** | **RESPOND TO THE POLL TO LET US KNOW YOU'RE COMING**

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Hounslow School Nursing Service



21 – 27 September 2026

Steps to Healthy Eye Care:

Have regular health eye check-ups. Ensure your child has had an eye check up by the age of 5 years (the School Nursing Team offer Reception children in the borough a vision check) and then every 2 years or more often if recommended by an optician.

Be aware of your risk of various eye conditions. Speak to your family members, as knowledge of your family history can help you to detect issues before they become more serious.

The best foods for eye health include nutrient-rich fruits and vegetables, such as blueberries, peaches, avocado, kale, leeks, spinach and red peppers. Other foods that are good for eye health are cold water fish, like tuna, sardines and mackerel.

Exercising isn't just good for your body but for your eyes as well. Scientific evidence suggests that engaging in aerobic exercise increases the vital supply of oxygen to your optic nerve to lower the pressure in your eyes. Get your children playing outside!

Screen time: Ensure you and your child have regular screen breaks. Alongside resting your eyes from the strain of digital devices, you should also be giving them a good rest every night to avoid them becoming red, puffy and irritated.

Sunglasses can make a big difference. These don't need to be expensive but it's important that they filter at least 99% of UVA and UVB light to keep your eyes safe. For your children's eye health, you should also ensure they always wear eye protection glasses when out in sunlight. More than half-a-lifetime's worth of UV light will have been absorbed by a child's eyes by the time they reach 18 years old, so it's important to be proactive with protection.

For more information on National Eye Health Week and resources to support eye health, visit the following links:

Vision Matters: <https://www.visionmatters.org.uk/>

RNIB: [How to keep your eyes healthy | RNIB](#)

Moorfields Eye Hospital (NHS) : [Moorfields Eye Hospital \(NHS\) - Moorfields Eye Hospital](#)

11-19 years old? Young people in Hounslow can text a School Nurse on **07507 333 176** for confidential advice and support.



Receive an answer within one working day from a qualified School Nurse
(Monday to Friday 9.00am-4.30pm)

Parents and carers in Hounslow can text a School Nurse on **07312 263 080** for confidential advice and support for their child or teenager.



Receive an answer within one working day from a qualified School Nurse
(Monday to Friday 9.00am-4.30pm)

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Community
Sports
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STING CHEER

ALL STAR
CHEER

Competitive,
Recreational and
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classes starting this
September!



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Oaklands School, Gresham Road, Hounslow, TW3 4BX