

Friday, September 5, 2025

Welcome back to the start of another fun-filled, action-packed year at Hamstel Infants, I hope you all had a great summer and got the chance to relax, have fun and enjoy the good weather together.

The children in Years 1 and 2 have come back to school superbly this week! They all looked very smart and grown-up as they walked in through the gates, full of excitement to see their friends and full of enthusiasm to start their learning with their new adults in their new classes. We had our first celebration assembly this afternoon and the teachers must have had a really tricky job to choose our winners because there was already so much to celebrate in just a few days of being back at school. Well done KS1.

I just wanted to give you an update on our kitchen. Work has been slowly progressing over the summer holidays and over the last two weeks things have really started to take shape, with the space now resembling a kitchen again. We hope that in another couple of weeks our brand-new kitchen will be fully open and operational.

It has been great to see the children enjoying their lunches back where they belong in our school hall and this area is now back in use fully for lunches, assemblies and PE lessons. A big shout out to our site team, our team of midday assistants and the kitchen team at Pabulum who have made this happen. Also a big thank you to Hamstel Juniors for hosting us in their canteen during lunchtimes for the last six months – very much appreciated!

Next week is mostly dominated by the arrival of our youngest children starting in nursery and Reception, who will be coming for stay and plays on Monday and Tuesday, before reception start full-time on Wednesday with nursery following shortly after on Thursday. We can't wait for our new children to join us next week when our school will be full again!

Several parent events are coming up over the next two weeks. Next Tuesday 9th September, we have Reception curriculum meetings at 9am and 2:30pm in the hall. There is a nursery curriculum meeting on Tuesday 16th at 8:40am and 2:30pm and on Friday 19th Year 2 parents are invited to a maths workshop. I would also like to give you advance notice of our Parent's meetings on Tuesday 14th and Wednesday 15th October, around which more details will follow soon.

Our normal information-packed newsletter will commence next week and we have lots of exciting things planned for the autumn term which we are sure the children will love, so please remember to check the newsletter and Arbor regularly for any news, updates and information.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend and we look forward to seeing the children again on Monday.

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