



Hillshott Infant School & Nursery

Whole School Newsletter

9th January 2026 - Newsletter 15 of 2025-26

Attendance (week ending 19/12/2025)

School 90.3% (96% target) / Lates 0.7%

Class	Attendance %	Lates %
Kingfishers	93.5%	1.4%
Barn Owls	91.6%	1.6%
Falcons	88.2%	0%
Kestrels	88%	0%
Robins	86.8%	0.3%
Swifts	86.2%	0%

This Week's Learning

Learning across the EYFS was based on 'The Gruffalo' story.

Nursery children painted pictures of the Gruffalo and had fun in their new Vet role-play area.

Reception children used adjectives to describe the Gruffalo's features. In Maths, they ordered and identified numbers up to 20.

Year 1 Trampoline Coaching

Year 1 children will take part in trampoline coaching each Tuesday morning this half term. This additional coaching is provided by Rising Stars and is funded by our DfE Sport Premium Grant – more details about this can be found on the school website [Hillshott Infant School and Nursery - P.E. and Sport Premium Funding information](#)

School Admissions September 2026

Please remember to apply for your Reception and Year 3 school places via the Hertfordshire County Council website by next Wednesday 15th January [Primary, junior and middle school places | Hertfordshire County Council](#)

Nursery families – it is very important that you follow this process, as a place in Nursery does not guarantee you a Reception class place.

Nursery Admissions September 2026

We have tours of our Nursery at 3.30pm and 4pm on the following dates

- 12th January
- 19th January

Please visit the school website for full details including how to book a tour and apply for a Nursery place including our application form [Hillshott Infant School and Nursery - Admissions](#)

Attendance Reminders

Absence is reported via the attendance email account or phone before 8.40am on each day your child is ill. This includes reporting lateness so we know to expect children and can avoid lunch food waste. Last term we lost the equivalent of 13 school days due to lateness across the school and Nursery. All our attendance information is on the school website [Hillshott Infant School and Nursery - Attendance](#)

Diary Dates

15 th January	Deadline for September 2026 for Reception / Year 3
21 st January	Falcons Class Assembly 9am School Hall
22 nd January	Kestrels Class Assembly 9am School Hall
12 th February	Year 1 Spring performance 2pm School Hall – more details to follow
17 th - 21 st February	February half term break
27 th March	End of Spring Term early close (Nursery 11.30am / School 1.45pm)
30 March – 10 April	Easter Break



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