



# Newsletter

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Friday 27th June 2025

## Heads corner

Dear Parents and Carers

What a couple of weeks it has been at Underhill!

National Sports Week was fantastic and the children really enjoyed trying a wide range of different activities. The visit to the Tennis club was a particular success and the children loved playing on a real clay tennis court. We finished the week with EYFS Sports Day and it was marvellous to see all our budding track and field athletes giving it their all! Thank you to all the parents and carers for your support and help over the week.

Following on from National Sports Week, it was the Stone X Athletics Meet on Wednesday. Our team did absolutely brilliantly, coming 4th overall and just 27 points off the top spot! We are very proud of all of them not only for the effort they put into the events but their sporting and supportive attitudes to all their competitors.

Year 6 are enjoying a very busy last half term at Underhill. The rehearsals for the production are in full swing and Enterprise Week has been a great success. The children worked very hard putting their stalls together, and we really appreciate how many of you stopped to visit and buy from them. So far, everyone has made a profit! On Monday, a group of 30 of our y6 girls went to the RAF museum for a STEM day. It was a really interesting day with loads of excellent activities to try. We hope all the girls are feeling inspired and encouraged to get more involved in science, maths, technology and engineering.

This week has been Refugee Art week and the children have been exploring the refugee experience through a wide range of art activities. They have demonstrated real sensitivity and skill in expressing how it must feel to experience being a refugee and to think about how important feeling safe and secure where you live is.

A team of 4 year 5 children went to the QE Boys Primary challenge on Tuesday and they were victorious! The competition is between several local school and comprised of 5 rounds of English and Maths challenges. We came 5th, 1st, 2nd, 1st and 2nd and were crowned the overall winners. Well done our brilliant team!

Last night our school choir performed at the Barnet Music festival and were amazing! They gave their all to the performance and we couldn't be prouder. Thank you to everyone who went along last night to support our wonderful singers!

Please can we remind you about parking safely around the school and ensuring that your car engine is turned off while you are waiting. We have had complaints again from local residents about people sitting in their cars with the engines on. In one instance, this was for over an hour. It is only fair that as part of this community we are behaving respectfully and safely to all its members. Thank you!

Have a great weekend.

Jennie Reed and Nicola Hayles





# Attendance

## Absence

Please remember any absences need to be reported daily to  
[attendance@underhill.barnetmail.net](mailto:attendance@underhill.barnetmail.net)

Or via the school website  
<https://underhillschool.co.uk/attendance-1>

Absences before and after a school holiday may be liable to a fixed penalty notice from Barnet Education welfare team unless medical evidence is provided

Please complete an Absence request form  
<https://forms.gle/JK1N3J7hzv2FR1fJ6> for any planned absences of more than 1 day

## Attendance

95-100% Target for all pupils

90-95% Monitored by school, meeting arranged with teacher

85-90% Invited in for meeting with Heads and attendance

Referral Education Welfare Officer may come at any stage and will depend on individual circumstances/case

If you would like a meeting to discuss your child's attendance please call the school office

## House Attendance

| House | Last Week | This Week |
|-------|-----------|-----------|
| Air   | 94.83%    | 94.51%    |
| Fire  | 95.33%    | 92.58%    |
| Earth | 93.65%    | 93.8%     |
| Water | 92.9%     | 92.09%    |

| Class        | Last week | This week |
|--------------|-----------|-----------|
| Beech        | 98.33%    | 95.83%    |
| Maple        | 98.08%    | 96.09%    |
| 1 Willow     | 93.46%    | 90.6%     |
| 2 Birch      | 99.26%    | 97.94%    |
| 2 Chestnut   | 94.81%    | 94.96%    |
| 3 Cedar      | 96.43%    | 94.69%    |
| 3 Hornbeam   | 93.08%    | 91.88%    |
| 3 Yew        | 88.97%    | 84.9%     |
| 4 Cherry     | 98.28%    | 93.1%     |
| 4 Larch      | 95.67%    | 93.61%    |
| 5 Holly      | 97.58%    | 98.22%    |
| 5 Laurel     | 97.22%    | 96.91%    |
| 5 Sycamore   | 97.27%    | 97.98%    |
| 6 Ash        | 98.03%    | 91.04%    |
| 6 Elm        | 91.88%    | 90.97%    |
| 6 Hawthorn   | 95.62%    | 91.06%    |
| <b>Total</b> | 94.18%    | 93.22%    |



## IMPRESSIVE PERFORMANCE AT STONE X BOROUGH PRIMARY ATHLETES

Excitement and team spirit were in full swing as 42 enthusiastic children represented Underhill School at the annual Borough Primary Athletes Event, competing against 15 other schools in a range of athletics disciplines. Our team were full of passion, determination and huge talent.

In the field events, which included shot put, long jump, vortex and speed bounce, our team demonstrated strength and technique, earning a well-deserved second place overall. The team also secured second place in the golf event. However, the highlight of the day came during the relay races, where our speed and coordination earned us overall first place.

Highlight individual events:

Year 5

Vortex boy and girl - 1st Place

Year 6

Vortex boy -1st Place

Vortex girl -3rd Place

Long Jump boy- 1st Place

Long distance race boy and girl - 2nd and 3rd Place



Thanks to outstanding performances and effort, our school achieved an impressive 4th place overall out of 16 participating schools—a testament to the hard work preparation, and team spirit shown by every child. We are incredibly proud of all our participants for their effort, dedication, and sportsmanship throughout the day. Thank you to all our parents and carers who came to support on the day.

## CLUBS

Next week (Monday 30th June-Friday 4th July) is the last week of staff led clubs, thank you to all the members of staff who have given up their time and offered their skills to run a club for free.

Woody's multisports club finishes on Tuesday 8th July

Rotimi's basketball finishes on Wednesday 9th July

Please check the website for all the external paid for clubs finish dates.



## What's been happening at Underhill this fortnight?

### 20.6.25 EYFS Sports Day!



### 20.6.25 Sports Week in Year 2!



We have had a fantastic EYFS Sports Day on our wonderful school field. The children showed fantastic sporting behaviour in activities such as the egg and spoon race, aim the beanbag, throw the wet sponge and a variety of different races! A huge thank you to the amazing parents and carers who came to support us!

This week was National Sport Week and Year 2 were busy with so many activities. The week started with a field full of fun inflatables - children had great fun jumping on bouncy castles and slides. Later in the week, we also had a go at Cosmic yoga. Esme from Saracens led a fantastic dance session which all children enjoyed. We finished the week with 'Ride on Horses' on Wednesday and drove the 'Didi Cars' on Thursday.

### 27.6.25 A Great Explorers assembly in Year 1



This week in Year 1, we worked really hard rehearsing for our class assembly. Our assembly was about great explorers, in particular, Neil Armstrong and Christopher Columbus. The children were fantastic! They delivered their ambitious lines with confidence and we're so proud of them.

We've also been enjoying diving into a new book in literacy and are preparing to write our very own recipe for the last bear in the woods.



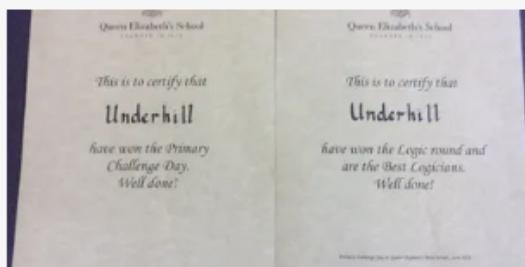
## Underhill School and Children's Centre

27.6.25 A busy week in Year 3!



Year 3 have had a fantastic week of learning. They have been looking at news reports in English and role played being journalists interviewing different witnesses to prepare them for their writing. The children have enjoyed learning about Jazz music in our music lessons and have been practising their scat singing after listening to Ella Fitzgerald. In Geography, we have been looking at our local area and identifying human and physical features. The children enjoyed created their own towns carefully thinking about what features the town needs. They have also enjoyed Refugee Week and have created two brilliant pieces of art based around the topic.

## 24.6.25 Y5 Primary Challenge



This week, four of our Year 5 children took part in the annual Primary Maths and English Challenge at QE Boys, a highly competitive event involving eight other local schools. The team worked brilliantly together, tackling tricky maths problems, competing in a spelling bee, and creating an impressive acrostic poem on the theme of discovery. To our delight and amazement, they outperformed all the other schools and won the entire competition! We are extremely proud of their outstanding achievement!

## 20.6.25. Sports Week in Year 4

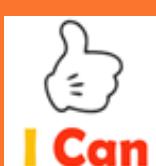


This week, Year 4 thoroughly enjoyed celebrating National Sports Week by focusing on the importance of physical activity and school sport for children's health and well-being. We kicked off the week bouncing with excitement on the inflatables, setting a fun and energetic tone. On Tuesday, we visited Barnet Tennis Club, where Charlotte helped us brush up on our tennis techniques. Wednesday brought a competitive edge as we took part in an exciting cricket match that really got everyone involved. By Thursday, we gave it our all during a lively football tournament—using up the last of our energy! Today, we're wrapping up the week with a final activity, come rain or shine, and reflecting on the fun and fitness we've enjoyed throughout the week.

## 23.6.25 Y6 Girls STEM trip



On Monday, a group of Year 6 girls participated in a STEM workshop at the RAF Museum. The day included a museum hunt, a coding and building activity. The coding activity was to move a robot ball on a mat to get from its starting position to the end, using a programme on the tablet. The building activity was to design and build the strongest bridge to hold 50 bean bags. They were split into small groups and only had two sizes of wooden sticks and cable ties. Each group were successful with their bridges! The girls had a great time and learned a lot about the different STEM roles linked with the RAF.

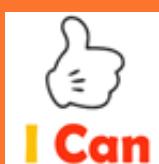




## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Please take note of the following dates for your diary. All calendar and term date information can be found on our school website here - <https://underhillschool.co.uk/term-dates-and-calendar>

| June 2025           |                                       |
|---------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Monday 2nd June     | Back to school                        |
| Monday 2nd June     | Year 4 Multiplication check fortnight |
| Thursday 5th June   | PTA Ice cream sale                    |
| Friday 6th June     | PTA Summer Disco                      |
| Monday 9th June     | Year 1 Phonics screening week         |
| Friday 13th June    | Ice cream sale                        |
| Monday 16th June    | National sports week                  |
| Thursday 19th June  | PTA Ice cream sale                    |
| Friday 20th June    | EYFS Sports day 9.15am                |
| Friday 20th June    | PTA Sip & Paint                       |
| Monday 23rd June    | Refugee Art week                      |
| Friday 27th June    | 1 Willow Class assembly 14.50         |
| Friday 27th June    | Ice cream sale                        |
| Monday 30th June    | Assessment week                       |
| July 2025           |                                       |
| Thursday 3rd July   | Year 6 Secondary transfer day         |
| Thursday 3rd July   | PTA Ice cream sale                    |
| Friday 4th July     | 2 Birch Class assembly 14.50          |
| Friday 4th July     | PTA Summer Fair                       |
| Thursday 10th July  | KS1&KS2 Sports day 9.15am             |
| Friday 11th July    | 2 Chestnut Class assembly 14.50       |
| Friday 11th July    | PTA Ice cream sale                    |
| Monday 14th July    | Year 6 Production dress rehearsals    |
| Tuesday 15th July   | Year 6 Production                     |
| Wednesday 16th July | Year 6 Production                     |
| Thursday 17th July  | Transition day                        |
| Thursday 17th July  | PTA Ice cream sale                    |
| Monday 21st July    | Year 6 Leavers Party until 4pm        |
| Tuesday 22nd July   | Last day of term 13.30 finish         |





Summer Term Timetable  
22.04.2025 – 22.07.2025  
Inset Days: BEYA – 22.04.2025

## Children's Centres

East-Central Locality



Monday

**Stay and Play** 9.30- 10.45 am 0-5 years  
Queenswell Infant School N20 0NQ  
**Stay and Play** 3.45-4.45 pm 0-5 Years  
Brookhill Nursery EN4 8SD



Tuesday

**Stay and Play** 9.30- 11.00 am 0-5 years  
St. Margaret's Nursery School  
**Baby Massage** 12.00-12.45pm 8 Weeks-Non-rollers St Margaret's Nursery School  
**Baby group** 12.45-2.15 pm Non- Walkers St. Margaret's Nursery school



Wednesday

**Childminders** 9.30-11.00 am 0-5 years  
St. Margaret's Nursery School  
**Baby Group** 10-11.30 am  
Non- Walkers All Saints N20 9EZ



Thursday

**Outdoor Stay and Play** 1-2.30 pm  
0-5 Years Hampden Way Nursery School N14 5DJ



Friday

**Stay and Play** 9.30-11 am 0-5 Years  
St. Margaret's Nursery School

### Coppetts Wood

A Sure Start Children's Centre

**Stay and Play** 9.15-10.30 am 0-5 Years  
**Parent and Toddler Yoga** 10.30-11 am Walkers -3 Years Limited Spaces

### Baby Stay and Play

13.15-14.15 pm Non-walkers

### Stay and Play

9.15-10.30 am 0-5 Years

### Shake, Rattle & Roll

10.30-11 am 0-5 Years

### Stay and Play

9.15-10.30am 0-5 Years

**Imagination & Movement by Performing Creations Dance Academy** 10.30-11 am Walkers -3 Years Limited Spaces

### Baby Massage

8 Weeks-Non-rollers Booking Required

### Baby Stay and Play

1.15-2.15 pm Non-walkers

### Newstead

A Sure Start Children's Centre

**Stay and Play** 10-11 am 0-5 Years  
**Baby Massage** 1.30-2.15 pm 8 Weeks-Non-rollers Booking Required

### Childminders

9.30-11 am

**Baby Rhyme Time** 1-1.45 pm Non-walkers Finchley Youth Theatre N2 9ED

### Forest Play

10-11 am Walkers Barnwood N2

### Baby Stay and Play with Self-weighing

1.30-2.30 pm Non-walkers

### Baby Self-weighing

10 am - 1 pm Under 1's Booking Required

No Sessions

### Underhill

A Sure Start Children's Centre

**Childminders** 9.30-11.30 am  
Registered OFSTED Childminders only

**Boogie Mites** 1.30-2.15 pm 0-5 Years

**Stay and Play** 10.30 am-12 pm 0-5 Years  
**Nursery Stay and Play** 10.30-11.30 am 2-4 Years – 06.05.25, 03.06.25, 01.07.25  
**Baby Massage** 12-1 pm 8 Weeks- 4 Months 3 Week Course - Booking Required

**Fun Toddler Circuit** 11.45am-12.30 pm 18mths-4 Years

**Baby Stay and Play with Self-weighing** 1.30-3 pm Non-walkers

**Stay and Play** 9.15-10.45 am 0-5 Years

**Makaton Meet, Sing & Sign** 1.15-2 pm An introduction to baby Makaton 6 Months-1 Year Booking Required Hope Corner Community Centre EN5 2DY

**Boogie Mites** 9.15-10 am 0-5 Years

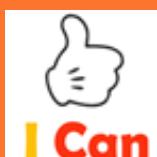
**Infant Feeding Support Group** 12.30-2.30 pm Under 1's



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# External Adverts

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**Theme: “Won’t you be my friend”  
(The Parable of the Good Samaritan)**

**ACTIVITIES** **STORY** **GAMES**

**Messy Church**

**Ages: Y1 - Y4**

**Thursday 17th July 2025**  
**4 - 6pm**

Parent/Carer/Adult has to remain with the child/children  
The afternoon will conclude with a sit down meal for the children

**BOOKING:**

**St John the Baptist Church**  
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