



School Dates and Calendar: September 2025

Below is an overview of what is happening in school and when.

- Please note that dates and content are subject to change but plenty of notice will be given of any amendments to plans via our weekly school newsletter.
- We look forward to the year ahead and to welcoming family members into school to share in some of our celebrations.
- Visits will also take place in all year groups – specific information will follow from each class, with plenty of time for payments to be made.

Thank you for your continued support,
The Heron Hill Primary Team

AUTUMN TERM 2025		
When?	What?	Additional detail:
Wednesday 3 rd September	School opens to all pupils from Nursery to Y6 (8:45am)	Autumn term and the new academic year begins.
Tuesday 9 th September	Meet The Team event afterschool (Y1-6)	Join us in the school hall from 3:30pm until 5:00pm where you will have the opportunity to meet your child's new teacher, find out more about their new academic year group and taste samples of our new autumn term dinner menu.
Wednesday 10 th September	Y3 swimming lessons begin (10 sessions)	Last session will be Wednesday 19 th November
Thursday 11 th September	Rock Steady Lessons begin	For children who registered their interest and were allocated band spaces – parents can access the online portal to find out more.
Monday 15 th September	'Focus on English' family learning begins (Y1 and Y2 parents)	Runs for 5 weeks on Monday mornings from 9:15-11:15am. (Children join parents for 45 min of the session each week to enjoy spelling, reading and English skills activities and games together.)
Friday 19 th September	Nasal Flu inoculations	Reception to Year 6 pupils – parent consent required (www.cumbriaschoolimmunisations.co.uk/Forms/Flu)
Thursday 25 th September	School discos: EYFS: 4-4:45pm (parents must stay) Y1, 2 and 3: 5:15-6pm Y4, 5 and 6: 6:15-7pm	Tickets must be purchased ahead of the event. Additional information will follow closer to the discos.

Saturday 27 th September	Kendal Torchlight Parade	Heron Hill will be part of this annual procession – all families welcome to join us and be part of Heron Hill's themed parade. (More details will follow in Sep)
Monday 29 th - Friday 3 rd October	Y5 Bikeability week	More information will follow in September.
Thursday 2 nd October	Census Day – non-uniform day (no charge)	Census Day is an important day for school funding. It will be a free, non-uniform day for all year groups. A special themed menu will also be offered to all pupils at lunchtime (bookable via SCOPay, more details will follow)
Thursday 2 nd October	Y6 SATs and residential meeting	Information sharing meeting for all parents of Y6 pupils, evening.
Tuesday 7 th October	Half Moon Theatre company – Grandad Anansi	10:30am showing: Y1, 2 and 3 1:30pm showing: Y4, 5 and 6
Tuesday 14 th October	Y1 visit to Judges Lodgings, Lancaster	More information will follow for Y1 parents in the autumn term.
Friday 17 th October	Individual and family photographs	All day. Before school and after school sessions for families with pre-nursery children.
Monday 20 th October	Autumn craft stay and play session – Reception (AM)	Reception parents are invited into school to join their child in a range of autumn themed crafts.
Monday 20 th October	Harvest Festival assembly	Whole-school harvest celebration at 2:30pm (We will be collecting food donations for local foodbanks from Monday 13 th October)
Tuesday 21 st October	Halloween Messy Play (9-10:30am)	For babies and toddlers, and their parents. Led by Miss Storey and in our school hall.
Thursday 23 rd October	Autumn themed stay and play morning – Nursery	Nursery parents are invited into school to join their child in a range of autumn themed activities.
Thursday 23 rd October	Autumn craft stay and play session – Reception (PM)	Reception parents are invited into school to join their child in a range of autumn themed crafts.
Thursday 23 rd October	Celebration assembly	Mrs M and Mrs W will lead the school in celebrating achievements from this first half term. Awards will be given in every class for our school values, maths, reading and writing.
Friday 24th October	INSET Day – school closed to all pupils	School closes for October half term on Thursday 23rd October at 3:15pm. Staff will be in school for Phonics training all day on Friday 24 th but school is closed to all pupils.
27th-31st October - School closed for half term		
Monday 3 rd November	School reopens to pupils after half term	Autumn term 2 begins
Monday 3 rd to Wednesday 5 th November	Y6 residential to Patterdale Outdoor Education Centre	Y6 pupils out of school for three days/2 nights on their residential trip.
Wednesday 5 th November	Bonfire Night themed lunch	TNS Catering will provide a special themed-lunch menu to celebrate bonfire night.
Monday 10 th November	Remembrance Day Assembly	Whole-school assembly (AM)

		All pupils will also make a poppy to contribute to our whole-school poppy mural.
Friday 14 th November	Children in Need – non-uniform day	Pupils are invited to wear spots/Pudsey themed clothing. (Y4 will also be hosting a cake/biscuit sale at morning break for all year groups. Pupils will be able to purchase home made/shop bought goods for a small donation. No nut/peanut products permitted.)
Thursday 20 th November	Parent Consultation Evening 1	EYFS and KS1 2:40-6:00pm KS2 3:30-6:30pm (Bookings will be made via SCOPay)
Friday 21 st November	Y5/6 Kendal Mountain Festival	Pupils will attend this popular annual event with school during the morning. (No charge to parents)
Tuesday 25 th November	Parent Consultation Evening 2	EYFS and KS1 3:30-6:30pm KS2 2:40-6:00pm (Bookings will be made via SCOPay)
Monday 1 st December	Whole-school launch of The Christmasaurus reading project	Via a launch assembly with Mrs M, pupils will begin to read the next book in The Christmasaurus series to countdown to Christmas.
Monday 1 st December	Christmas card post boxes open	Pupils can bring their Christmas cards for peers and friends into school from this date.
Friday 5 th December??	Christmas Fayre	(Date TBC in FOHH's annual meeting in October)
Monday 8 th December	Reception Christmas Craft with parents (PM)	Reception parents are invited into school to join their child in a range of festive themed crafts.
Monday 8 th December	Y1 Carols Around the Campfire	4:30pm – all Y1 family members invited to attend and witness the festive singing by Y1.
Tuesday 9 th December	EYFS Christmas Production (AM) (Kendal Parish Church)	Our Nursery and Reception children will perform their nativity service for parents and family members.
Wednesday 10 th December	KS1 Carol Service (AM) (Kendal Parish Church)	Family members are invited to join us for this annual celebration of Christmas.
Thursday 11 th December	Christmas jumper day Christmas dinner day	Pupils are invited to wear a Christmas themed outfit/jumper in exchange for a £1 donation to Save The Children. The TNS catering team will also be serving the annual school Christmas dinner on this day.
Friday 12 th December	KS2 Christmas Carol Service (Kendal Parish Church, usually a 2:00pm start)	Family members are invited to join us for this annual celebration of Christmas.
Monday 15 th December	Christmas messy play (9:00-10:30am)	For babies and toddlers, and their parents. Led by Miss Storey and in our school hall.
Tuesday 16 th December	Y2 Christmas poetry recital and carol concert 2:15pm performance 5:30pm performance	Y2 will be performing 'Twas the night before Christmas' and singing a selection of Christmas songs for family members.
Friday 19 th December	Christmas Party Day	For all year groups – pupils are invited to wear a Christmas-themed outfit/party clothes for their year group parties.

Friday 19 th December	Celebration Assembly	Mrs M and Mrs W will lead the school in celebrating achievements from this first half term. Awards will be given in every class for our school values, maths, reading and writing. School closes to all pupils for Christmas at 3:15pm
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SPRING TERM 2026		
When?	What?	Additional detail:
Tuesday 6 th January	School reopens to all pupils	Spring term begins. School opens at 8:45am to all year groups.
Thursday 15 th January 2026	Census Day – non-uniform day (no charge)	Census Day is an important day for school funding. It will be a free, non-uniform day for all year groups. A special themed menu will also be offered to all pupils at lunchtime (bookable via SCOPay, more details will follow)
Tuesday 27 th January	M& M Theatre present Sleeping Beauty	Reception-Y2, approx. £6.00 per child.
Wednesday 28 th January	Rock Kidz return to Heron Hill!	Back by popular demand! The Rock Kidz will be back in school delivering empowering rock music workshops to all year groups. Pupils are invited to dress as rock stars to fully embrace this awesome day of fun! Rock Kidz merchandise will also be on sale at the end of the day during their ‘meet and greet’ event.
Tuesday 3 rd February	Phonics stay and play workshop for Reception and Y1 parents (9am and 2:30pm)	Parents are invited in to find out more about how to support their child with the Supersonic Phonic Friends scheme.
Friday 6 th February	NSPCC Number Day	A fun, maths-focused fundraising event where pupils will take part in a range of number-themed activities. Pupils are invited to wear number-themed outfits or accessories.
Tuesday 10 th February	Safer Internet Day	Heron Hill will be joining in this annual event and promoting safe use of the internet with pupils in an age-appropriate way.
Thursday 12 th February	Valentine’s Messy Play (9-10:30am)	For babies and toddlers, and their parents. Led by Miss Storey and in our school hall.
Friday 13 th February	Celebration Assembly	Mrs M and Mrs W will lead the school in celebrating achievements from this first half term. Awards will be given in every class for our school values, maths, reading and writing. School closes to all pupils for half term at 3:15pm
16th – 20th February - School closed for half term		
Monday 23 rd February	School reopens to all pupils	Spring term 2 begins. School opens at 8:45 to all year groups.
Thursday 5 th March	World Book Day	Whole-school celebration of reading for pleasure. Pupils are invited to dress as their favourite book

		characters OR in pyjamas to celebrate bedtime reading. All pupils will receive a £1 book token. TNS Catering will be planning a special book inspired menu at lunchtime.
Tuesday 10 th March	Parent Consultation Evening 1	EYFS and KS1 3:30-6:30pm KS2 2:40-6:00pm (Bookings will be made via SCOPay)
Thursday 12 th March	Parent Consultation Evening 2	EYFS and KS1 2:40-6:00pm KS2 3:30-6:30pm (Bookings will be made via SCOPay)
Wednesday 18 th March	Reception Forest School Parent Workshop	Parents are invited to join their children during their Forest School session (AM)
Monday 23 rd March	Easter Messy Play (9-10:30am)	For babies and toddlers, and their parents. Led by Miss Storey and in our school hall.
Tuesday 24 th March	Annual Easter Egg competition closing date and judging	The return of our annual egg decorating competition. (More information will follow closer to the time.)
Wednesday 25 th March	Reception Forest School Parent Workshop	Parents are invited to join their children during their Forest School session (PM)
Wednesday 25 th and Thursday 26 th March	Y5 Residential trip to York	Y5 will spend two days in the historic city of York for their residential experience.
Friday 27 th March	Celebration Assembly	Mrs M and Mrs W will lead the school in celebrating achievements from this first half term. Awards will be given in every class for our school values, maths, reading and writing. School closes to all pupils for the Easter holidays at 3:15pm

SUMMER TERM 2026		
When?	What?	Additional detail:
Monday 13 th April	School reopens to all pupils	Summer term begins. School opens at 8:45 to all year groups.
Thursday 30 th April	Class photographs	Tempest Photography will be in school to take class photographs of all classes and staff.
Monday 4th May	May Day Bank Holiday	School closed to all pupils
Wednesday 6 th May	Marigold Mufti Day	Please send in marigolds, calendula, geraniums, begonias, sweetpeas, petunias, lavender, fuchsias or any other colourful bedding plants for Gardening Club to plant to attract pollinators and give school the 'wow' factor this summer. Children can wear mufti (non-uniform) for the day as a thank you.

Monday 11 th May	Y6 SATS week	Y6 pupils will sit their official SATS papers this week (Monday-Thursday)
Friday 15 th May	Sponsored pollinator walk	This annual fundraiser encourages children to dress as pollinators and complete several laps of our school field to raise money for school. (EYFS and KS1 – morning, KS2 – afternoon)
Tuesday 19 th May	SEND review meetings (2:30-5pm)	Parents/carers who have a child on our school SEND register will book an appointment to meet class teachers about their child's latest IEP review. (Face-to-face or Teams video link appointments.)
Thursday 21 st May	Census Day – non-uniform day (no charge)	Census Day is an important day for school funding. It will be a free, non-uniform day for all year groups. A special themed menu will also be offered to all pupils at lunchtime (bookable via SCOPay, more details will follow)
Friday 22 nd May	Celebration Assembly	Mrs M and Mrs W will lead the school in celebrating achievements from this first half term. Awards will be given in every class for our school values, maths, reading and writing. School closes to all pupils for the May half-term holiday at 3:15pm
25th – 29th May - School closed for half term		
Monday 1 st June	Kenya week	To celebrate and show gratitude for our learning partnership with Open Arms Academy, pupils will spend one afternoon this week preparing a Kenya-themed learning task to share in our annual Kenya assembly on Friday.
Monday 1 st June	Y4 Multiplication Tables Check	Y4 will sit their official multiplication tables check over the next 2 week period.
Monday 8 th June	Y1 and Y2 Phonics Screening Checks	All Y1 pupils and Y2 resit pupils will complete their official phonics screening check this week.
Monday 15 th June	School discos: EYFS: 4-4:45pm (parents must stay) Y1, 2 and 3: 5:15-6pm Y4, 5 and 6: 6:15-7pm	Tickets must be purchased ahead of the event. Additional information will follow closer to the discos.
Tuesday 16 th June	Y5 Enterprise Fair	Y5 pupils will build their own business plan from a £5 investment and then sell products to the school community at their Enterprise Fair afterschool.
Thursday 18 th June	Summer-themed Messy Play (outdoors)	1:30-3pm For babies and toddlers, and their parents. Led by Miss Storey and hosted in our school grounds.
Tuesday 23 rd June	EYFS Sports Day	Reserve date (in case of bad weather) is Thursday 25 th June
Tuesday 30 th June	Y1-6 Sports Day	Reserve date (in case of bad weather) is Monday 6 th July
Thursday 2 nd July	Transition morning	Pupils will move up to their new classes and spend the morning getting to know their new teacher for September.

Friday 3 rd July	Summer Fayre	(Date TBC in FOHH's annual meeting in October)
Wednesday 8 th July	Y6 Leavers' Production	Y6 will perform their leavers production for family members in two shows: 2pm and 5pm.
Friday 10 th July	Nursery family BBQ (after-school)	Nursery children and their families are invited to join our end-of-year BBQ celebration. (More details and costings will follow.)
Friday 10 th July	Y3 Camp-out	Y3 will be camping on our school grounds and experiencing their first 'residential' at Heron Hill.
Friday 10 th July	End-of year reports go out to parents/carers	Each child will bring home their end-of-year report to celebrate their successes, inform parents of their academic outcomes and their attendance scores for this year.
Tuesday 14 th July	Optional parents evening	Parents/carers who wish to discuss their child's report with the class teacher are able to book an appointment for this evening. (3:30-6pm)
Tuesday 14 th July	Y6 Leavers' BBQ (5-7pm)	Y6 pupils are invited to join us for this annual tradition. (Reserve date of Wednesday 15 th July in case of bad weather.)
Thursday 16 th July	Celebration Assembly	Mrs M and Mrs W will lead the school in celebrating achievements from this first half term. Awards will be given in every class for our school values, maths, reading and writing.
Friday 17 th July	Y6 Leavers' assembly (9am)	Y6 pupils will produce and perform one final assembly for their parents/carers and teachers before leaving Heron Hill for secondary school.
Friday 17th July	Final day of the academic year	School closes for the summer holidays at 3:15pm