

— Friday 12th June 2026 —

Pelham Primary School Newsletter



DATES COMING UP:

- 22nd June INSET day
- 3rd July INSET day
- 9th July Year 6 Performance 5pm
- 10th July Summer fair
- 10th July Year 6 end of year treat!
- 14th July Year 6 leavers disco 4.30-6pm, can arrive from 4pm for photos.
- 16th July Year 6 leavers assembly 2pm
- 17th July Last day of term, 1pm finish.



To Parents and Carers,

What a fantastic and busy week. Year 2 took part in a materials workshop where they upcycled different materials into notebooks. They all really enjoyed this experience. Year 5 visited the The Imperial War Museum, upon return today the children all said they enjoyed the experience. We also had our Fathers day sale, a big thank you to all our parents who helped run this. For all our Dads, Grandads, Carers and Father figures I hope you enjoy the gifts you have coming on Sunday.

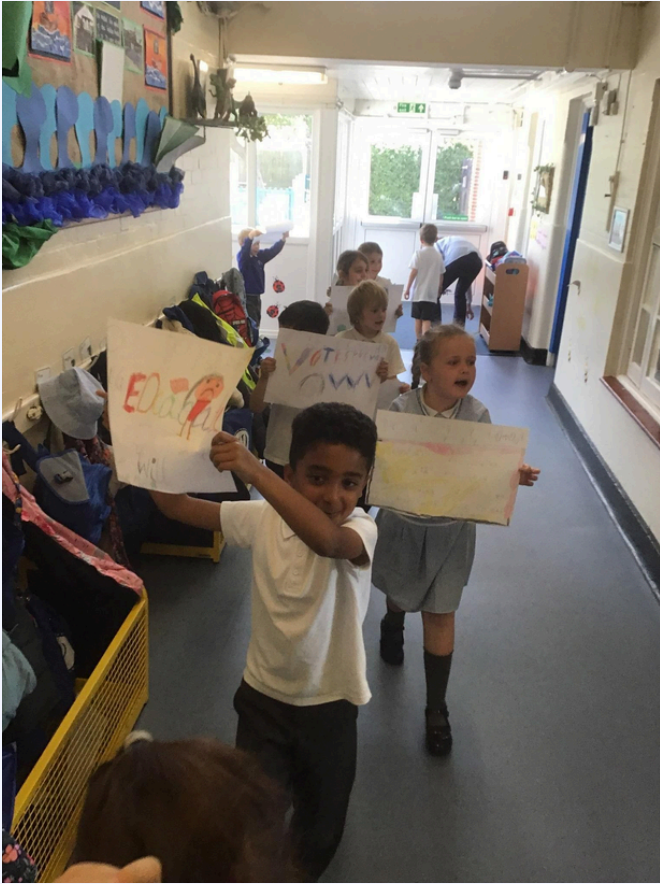
We have also had sports days this week which have been a great success. A big thank you to everyone who came and supported this event. During sports day many parents provided really positive feedback about Pelham's colour run last week, we agree we thought the event was great and enjoyed by all. I am please to say we did hit our sponsorship total with parents continuing to contribute this week. A current total is £2225. The sponsorship page will be open for 6 more days if you would like to add to this. The link is below.

<https://www.crowdfunder.co.uk/p/sponsored-colour-run>

Finally we are collecting raffle prizes for this years summer raffle. If you work for a company who can donate a prize to the school please send or give this to Miss Ikpasa. Last year parents contributed some great prizes such as a football tickets, vouchers for a nail salon, trip on the cable cars, toy vouchers and free football sessions plus much more. If you feel you have anything to offer big or small please speak to Ms Ikpasa.

Have a good week all!
Kind Regards
Miss Took
Head of School

Reminders:



"Every great adventure begins with a single step."

- **Please make sure all children have a hat in school and sun cream is applied now that the sun is out in full beam.**
- All children should be in correct uniform, this includes shoes which are black trainer shoes or black school shoes. Brands other than Kickers leather school shoe are not permitted. Socks should be white, grey or black only. No leggings please .
- Please ensure that children are only using Pelham rucksacks or book bags in school. PE kit should be in their PE bags. You can find pictures of these below and a link to our supplier.
- Please ensure all children have PE kits in school, bringing on a Monday and taking home on Friday.
- **If you have more than one library book at home please return to school, our library is low on books**

Weekly Calendar

| Monday 22 nd June 2026 | Tuesday 23 rd June 2026 | Wednesday 24 th June 2026 | Thursday 25 th June 2026 | Friday 26 th June 2026 |
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| School Closed Inset Day | | Year 1 & 2 Running Club Year 3 & 4 Pokemon Club Year 3 to 6 Debate Club New Reception Parent Visits | ASM Football Training Y1 to 6 Centre Stage – Performing Arts Y1 to 6 Year 1 & 2 Colouring Club Paralympis at FAB 9:30am | |

Attendance and Number of Children Lates

For W/E 12/06/2026



| Class | Attendance | Lates |
|-----------------|--------------|----------|
| Caterpillars | 88.7% | 3 |
| Bumblebees | 93.3% | 3 |
| Ladybirds | 87.4% | 2 |
| Butterflies | 98.3% | 3 |
| Dragonflies | 90.9% | 8 |
| Kangaroos | 93.8% | 4 |
| Koalas | 98.7% | 3 |
| Penguins | 94.4% | 1 |
| Polar Bears | 91.5% | 2 |
| Flamingos | 94.0% | 5 |
| Pelicans | 97.4% | 2 |
| Giraffes | 89.0% | 3 |
| Zebras | 95.2% | 3 |
| Parakeets | 94.8% | 2 |
| Starlings | 97.0% | 4 |



Challenge– Let's hit the 96% mark for all classes. Those classes who have had the biggest improvement will win a prize!



What Parents & Educators Need to Know about

ROBLOX

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

Roblox is an online platform where users can play and create games known as 'experiences' made by other users. Roblox has a large UK audience. ITV News has reported that millions of people in Britain use the platform regularly, with children forming a significant proportion of its users. The sheer scale of it makes it extremely difficult to moderate effectively, creating risks for unsupervised children, though a June 2025 update has improved things greatly.

A PLATFORM RATHER THAN A GAME

Roblox differs from traditional video games in that it hosts millions of user-created experiences rather than a fixed set of developer-produced content. Each experience is self-rated by its creator rather than independently age-rated in advance, as is the case with AAA-rated games. With millions of user-created experiences, moderation is largely automated which means that inappropriate content may reach younger players and have a harmful effect.

RISK OF ADDICTION

Roblox encourages repeated and extended play. Many experiences are made of short tasks, rounds, and progressive systems that can prompt users to keep playing for longer periods of time. Some games also use reminders, daily rewards, or timed events to encourage frequent logins. These designs can make it difficult to stop playing, spending long periods online may affect sleep, schoolwork, or other activities if boundaries are not in place.

IN-GAME SPENDING

Roblox is free to play, but many experiences and cosmetics include optional purchases using Robux, the platform's virtual currency to get advantages in games. This business model is common across online games, but reporting has highlighted cases where children have spent large amounts of money unintentionally or without understanding the real-world cost.

MATURE CONTENT

With much of Roblox's moderation via through AI and creators self-censoring suitability, inappropriate content frequently appears on the platform. Some experiences may include content intended for older players. As of June 2025, Roblox defaults to only showing games from trusted developers to under 13s, following best practice with older players to filter out riskier content. But these automated systems are not infallible, and younger players may encounter content you deem unsuitable.

COMMUNICATION WITH OTHER USERS

Roblox includes text and voice features that allow players to chat in shared game spaces. While the platform uses automated filters and moderation tools, media investigations have found that inappropriate and potentially harmful messages can still get through. There are risks that children could be targeted by groomers. In a June 2025 update, Roblox changed its default settings to prevent under 13s from chatting entirely, with gradual relaxation of restrictions between the ages of 13 and 18. The platform plans to use facial age-estimation technology to enforce these rules.

Advice for Parents & Educators

USE PARENTAL CONTROLS

Roblox's parental controls provide an important starting point. Linking a child's account to an adult account allows parents to apply spending controls, limit communication features, and review recent activity. Regular supervision, use of parental controls, and conversations with children about what they see online can help reduce the risk of exposure to inappropriate content.

CONSIDER LIMITING OR DISABLING CHAT

Although Roblox has introduced tighter age-based chat restrictions, some parents and educators may prefer to disable chat entirely to avoid the risk of stranger danger. This is the default for under 13s, but can be applied for any account up to the age of 18. Children can still play games while communicating with friends they know through other platforms, such as Discord.

PLAY TOGETHER WHERE POSSIBLE

Playing Roblox with a child can help adults understand the types of experiences available, how moderation works, and how children interact online. This shared engagement can also make it easier for children to raise concerns if something feels wrong. Parents and educators should monitor all games played on Roblox due to its largely unreviewed nature.

ENCOURAGE OPEN CONVERSATIONS

Many Roblox experiences are creative and age appropriate, and for many children, the platform is an important way to socialise with friends. Rather than banning it outright, parents and educators should talk openly with children about online safety, spending, and how to respond to inappropriate behaviour.

Meet Our Expert

Alan Marshall is a technology journalist who has written for publications including Wired, Techradar, The Telegraph, The Evening Standard, The Guardian and The New Statesman.



See full reference list on our website

Information



Our New **NURSERY**

OPENING IN

September!

Little Dreamers



FOR CHILDREN
AGED

2-3

YEARS

We are delighted to announce the opening of our brand new Nursery, providing a nurturing, safe and inspiring environment for children to learn, play and grow.



NURTURING
AND CARING
ENVIRONMENT



PLAY-BASED
LEARNING



BUILDING
CONFIDENCE AND
INDEPENDANCE

Express your
interest today!



SCAN ME

 **Contact us:**

Scan the QR code or visit:

<https://forms.gle/6cVM3UDAhQKc6Gvh6>

 pelhamadmin@illuminateminds.org

Have a look at our new breakfast club and extended day menus

SCHOOL MENU

| | MON | TUE | WED | THU | FRI |
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| BREAKFAST | Choice of 2 cereal which will be : Honey Loops Chocolate Hoops Corn Flakes/Rice Krispies | Choice of 2 cereal which will be : Honey Loops Chocolate Hoops Corn Flakes/Rice Krispies | Choice of 2 cereal which will be : Honey Loops Chocolate Hoops Corn Flakes/Rice Krispies | Choice of 2 cereal which will be : Honey Loops Chocolate Hoops Corn Flakes/Rice Krispies | Choice of 2 cereal which will be : Honey Loops Chocolate Hoops Corn Flakes/Rice Krispies |
| | Choice of 2 of following : Toast/Pancakes/ served with jam, honey or butter Brioche | Choice of 2 of following : Toast/Pancakes/ served with jam, honey or butter Brioche | Choice of 2 of following : Toast/Pancakes/ served with jam, honey or butter Brioche | Choice of 2 of following : Toast/Pancakes/ served with jam, honey or butter Brioche | Choice of 2 of following : Toast/Pancakes/ served with jam, honey or butter Brioche |
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SCHOOL MENU

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| Short session 3:15-4:30 Snack | Crackers with jam /cheese spread with butter jam or honey. | | | | | |
| Extended day 3:15 - 6:00 pm session | WEEK 1 | Cheese/Ham Pitta Cucumber/Carrot sticks | Pasta Cucumber sticks & Tomatoes | Beans or spaghetti Hoops on Toast Cucumber/Pepper Sticks | Pizza Carrot sticks & Sweetcorn | Sausage or Cheese & Onion Rolls Peas or Carrot sticks |
| | WEEK 2 | Cheese/Ham wraps Cucumber/Carrot sticks | Noodles Cucumber sticks & Tomato | Ham/Cheese or Beans Toasted sandwich Cucumber/Pepper Sticks | Pizza Carrot sticks or Pepper Sticks | Sausage/Cheese & Onion Rolls Sweetcorn & Carrot sticks |
| | DESSERT | Choice of Fruit or Fairy Cake | Choice of Fruit or Fairy Cake | Choice of Fruit or Fairy Cake | Choice of Fruit or Fairy Cake | Choice of Fruit or Fairy Cake |

Light dinner option will be served between 4.30-4.45 - If your child does not like the choice of food on the date they will be given the default option of Ham & Cheese toasted sandwich

Information

When dropping off and collecting your children from school, please be mindful of our neighbours. We have received concerns from local residents asking that driveways are not blocked or used for parking at any time. In addition, please do not park in restricted areas, including the zig-zag lines outside the school, permit holder spaces, or in car parks within the surrounding closes. Your cooperation in respecting local residents, road safety regulations, and access for all is greatly appreciated.

Thank you in advance for your support



If you need a new book bag or PE bag please go to the school office where you can purchase these.

Our new Pelham rucksacks can only be purchased from Casey's School Uniform. The link is below. <https://www.caseysschoolwear.co.uk/primary-school/pelham-primary-school.htm>



THINK BEFORE YOU **PARK**

BE CONSIDERATE TO OUR NEIGHBOURS
DO NOT PARK ON ZIG ZAG LINES

YOU COULD ENDANGER
A CHILD'S LIFE



If you would like to speak to a member of the school leadership team please email: pelhamadmin@illuminateminds.org

WE DREAM BIG

Term Dates



Illuminateminds Trust - Term Dates 2025/26

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INSET DAYS **HOLIDAYS**

*School finishes at 1pm on 19/12/25 & 17/07/26



Illuminateminds Trust – Term Dates 2026/27

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INSET DAYS **HOLIDAYS**

*School finishes at 1.00pm on 17/12/26 & 20/07/27



Lunch Menu



MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY

WEEK ONE

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| 13 April 4 May 1 June 22 June 13 July 31 August 21 September 12 October | Beef Bolognaise Pasta 1 Cheese & Pesto Swirl 1,7 V Jackets with a Choice of Toppings 7,8,9 Baked Wedges Seasonal Vegetables Ice Cream 7 Mr Nourish Biscuit 1 VG Fruit Pots VG | Macaroni Cheese 1,7 V Chick Pea & Spinach Biryani VG Jackets with a Choice of Toppings 7,8,9 Carrots Mixed Peppers Toffee Tart 1,7 & Custard 7 Mr Nourish Biscuit 1 VG Fruit Pots VG | Roast Gammon & Gravy Meatfree Meatballs & Gravy 6 VG Jackets with a Choice of Toppings 7,8,9 Rustic Roast Potatoes Cabbage Swede Fruit Jelly VG Mr Nourish Biscuit 1 VG Yoghurt 3,7, Fruit Pots VG | Chicken Korma Herby Tomato Pasta 1 VG Jackets with a Choice of Toppings 7,8,9 Rice Green Beans Carrots Chocolate Orange Cake 1 VG Mr Nourish Biscuit 1 VG Yoghurt 3,7, Fruit Pots VG | Fish Fingers 1,8 Wrap Stack 1,7 V Jackets with a Choice of Toppings 7,8,9 Chips Sweetcorn & Peas Coleslaw 9 Lemon Drizzle Biscuit 1,6 VG Yoghurt 3,7 Fruit Pots VG |
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WEEK TWO

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| 20 April 11 May 8 June 29 June 20 July 7 September 28 September 19 October | Cheesy Cauliflower Pasta 1,7 V Vegetable Burger in a Bun 1,5,6 VG Jackets with a Choice of Toppings 7,8,9 Baked Wedges, Carrots, Peas Honey Cake 1 & Custard 7 Mr Nourish Biscuit 1 VG Fruit Pots VG | Minced Beef Curry Pesto & Pea Pasta 1 VG Jackets with a Choice of Toppings 7,8,9 Rice Seasonal Vegetables Summer Trifle 1,7 Mr Nourish Biscuit 1 VG Fruit Pots VG | Roast Chicken & Gravy Samosa Puff 1 VG Jackets with a Choice of Toppings 7,8,9 Rustic Roast Potatoes Broccoli Carrots Cornflake Cookie 1,7,16 Mr Nourish Biscuit 1 VG Yoghurt 3,7, Fruit Pots VG | Chicken Fajita 1 Tomato Spaghetti 1 VG Jackets with a Choice of Toppings 7,8,9 Rice Tomato Salsa Green Beans Carrot & Orange Cake 1 VG Mr Nourish Biscuit 1 VG Yoghurt 3,7, Fruit Pots VG | Salmon Fish Cake 1,8 Margherita Pizza 1,3,7 V Jackets with a Choice of Toppings 7,8,9 Chips, Peas, Grated Carrot Oaty Biscuit 1,15 VG Yoghurt 3,7 Fruit Pots VG |
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WEEK THREE

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| 27 April 18 May 15 June 6 July 14 September 5 October | Mild Chilli Beef Tomato & Herb Penne Pasta 1 VG Jackets with a Choice of Toppings 7,8,9 Rice Peas Mixed Peppers Jam Roly Poly 1,6 VG & Custard 7 Mr Nourish Biscuit 1 VG Fruit Pots VG | Chicken Pie 1 Vegetable Stir Fried Noodles 1 VG Jackets with a Choice of Toppings 7,8,9 Crushed Potatoes Seasonal Vegetables Ice Cream 7 Mr Nourish Biscuit 1 VG Fruit Pots VG | BRUNCH Pork Sausage & Bacon 1,3,6 Or Vegetable Sausage 1 VG Jackets with a Choice of Toppings 7,8,9 Brunch Hash Potatoes Baked Beans Mushrooms & Tomatoes Fruit Jelly VG Mr Nourish Biscuit 1 VG Yoghurt 3,7, Fruit Pots VG | Margherita Pizza 1,3,7 V Loaded Cajun Bean Wedges VG Jackets with a Choice of Toppings 7,8,9 Rainbow Rice Sweetcorn Coleslaw 9 Sultana Cake 1 VG Mr Nourish Biscuit 1 VG Yoghurt 3,7, Fruit Pots VG | Fish Fingers 1,8 Cheese & Bean Parcel 1,7 V Jackets with a Choice of Toppings 7,8,9 Chips, Peas, Baked Beans Cucumber Sticks Caramel Cookie 1,7 V Yoghurt 3,7, Fruit Pots VG |
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1 Wheat Gluten 2 Crustaceans 3 Soybean 4 Mustard 5 Sesame 6 Sulphites/Sulphur Dioxide 7 Milk 8 Fish 9 Egg
10 Peanuts 11 Molluscs 12 Celeriac/Celery 13 Nuts 14 Lupins 15 Oat Gluten 16 Barley Gluten VG Vegan V Vegetarian

FSM / Pupil Premium Eligibility Checker

Changes are coming for Free School Meal Entitlements



The *Free School Meals / Pupil Premium Service* is a website provided by the London Grid for Learning (LGFL). It allows parents to quickly and easily check their child's eligibility for free school meals and, if eligible, enables the school (Fairford Academy Barnehurst or Pelham Primary School) to receive additional funding known as *Pupil Premium*.

Although all children from Reception to Year 6 are currently entitled to free school meals, it is more important than ever for schools to accurately identify pupils who are eligible for Pupil Premium funding.

This funding helps schools to:

- Employ additional staff
- Provide extra support for pupils
- Invest in equipment, resources, and enrichment activities

From the end of this term, transitional protections for free school meals will be ending. From the start of the 2026–2027 academic year, households must meet the eligibility criteria to continue receiving related benefits, including access to the *Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) Programme* during school holidays.

We therefore strongly encourage all parents to take a few minutes to re-check their entitlement by visiting <https://fsm.lgfl.net> (Select Bexley as the Local Authority)

How the service works:

- Parents enter a few essential details into the website
- The system checks eligibility instantly via the Department for Education
- A 'yes' or 'no' result is given immediately
- The school is automatically notified of the outcome