



Newsletter

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School Meal Changes

Important information about changes to Free School Meals for academic year 2026/2027

PRICE INCREASE FROM SEPTEMBER 2006—£3.43 PER DAY, £17.15 PER WEEK

As you are aware transitional protections, which have been in place for pupils eligible to Free School Meals since 2018 will end at the end of the 2025/2026 academic year.

These means all children currently in receipt of free school meals will have their entitlement reviewed for the academic year 2026/2027. Entitlement will then be reviewed on annual basis.

However, from the start of 2026 to 2027 academic year FSM eligibility is being expanded to all children from households in receipt of Universal Credit regardless of household earnings.

This means households in receipt of Universal credit with an annual household income above £7400 will **now qualify** for free school meals.

There is no change to the application process however, based on the change in eligibility, we would urge you to encourage parents in receipt of Universal Credit to make a claim for Free school meals using the online application on the Hartlepool Borough Council website confirming they wish to claim from September 2026.

Alternatively, they could scan the QR code on the attached poster which will take them directly to our application form.

We expect to begin checking eligibility for all children currently in receipt of free school meals over the summer period to ensure you receive full details of all children entitled to a free school meal prior to the start of the academic year in September.

We also hope to carry out another take up exercise of auto-enrolment prior to the October census but would still advise you to encourage parents to make a claim prior to this.

Regards

Sue Luckett

Principal benefits Officer



Uniform



Logo to Go in Hartlepool—for all your uniform needs ready for the new school year in September!

This range is cheaper and is more accessible to try on. It is based opposite Charlie Dickens on Tower street. You can also use their car park free of charge.

Price lists are available in the office or on their website:

[Home | Hornsey Hardware T/a Logo To Go](#)

Warm Weather



With the warmer weather approaching, please make sure you apply sun cream to your child every morning before school. Please make sure they have cap in school.

School Trips



All of our year groups and classes have their trips planned or have already been for this school year.

Can we please remind Parents and Carers that it is important to check ParentPay. Although no child will be excluded, trips could be cancelled if there are insufficient funds for that trip. Thank you for your continued support.



Headteacher Awards



Well done to Harvey and Harry who have been working extra hard this week!
Amazing boys!

Keeping children safe online at Kingsley Primary School

At Kingsley Primary School safeguarding is one of the most important responsibilities we hold, which also means safeguarding our students in the online world. As you know, children now use the internet for multiple activities including learning, creativity and collaboration, but with that, there are also potential risks we need to guard against. School works with the specialist safeguarding and security provider Schools Broadband, who provide us with the tools we need to keep your children safe and ensure that any potential safeguarding concerns are identified and addressed promptly.

Below is a short summary of the tools we deploy.

Online Filtering

We have an age-appropriate web filtering service to help prevent access to online content that is illegal, inappropriate or potentially harmful. In practice, this means the filter blocks known unsafe websites and content, including content that is unsuitable for children and prevents accidental exposure to harmful material while pupils are researching or browsing for learning.

Online Monitoring

The DfE makes a clear distinction between filtering and monitoring: whereas filtering is preventative and helps stop pupils reaching harmful content in the first place, monitoring is reactive and involves real-time alerts to help our teachers spot concerning activity so that we can respond appropriately and call in our specialist safeguarding staff if necessary. Our monitoring solution is also able to capture and assess risks even when a device is offline, ensuring no gaps in our monitoring.

Safeguarding Concerns

If we receive an alert that suggests a pupil may be at risk, our staff follow the school's safeguarding procedures and involve our Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL), as needed. This is part of the school's wider safeguarding responsibilities, which include recognising that children can be harmed online as well as offline.

Protecting your children at home

If you need further help and advice you might find some of the links below useful:

Government advice and a hub of parent resources:

[Support for parents and carers to keep children safe online \(GOV.UK\)](#)

Practical "getting started" guidance: [Kids Online Safety campaign \(GOV.UK\)](#)

Help with parental controls, apps, devices and screen time: [Internet Matters](#)

Guidance and conversation starters for families: [NSPCC online safety](#)

Support and advice for parents/carers: [UK Safer Internet Centre](#)

If you're worried about exploitation/grooming: [Thinkuknow \(NCA-CEOP\)](#)

Try to talk regularly about online life, set age-appropriate boundaries, and use parental controls where possible.

HARTLEPOOL SCHOOL TERM AND HOLIDAY DATES - ACADEMIC YEAR 2025 - 2026

	AUGUST 2025	SEPTEMBER 2025	OCTOBER 2025	NOVEMBER 2025	DECEMBER 2025	JANUARY 2026
Monday	4 11 18 25	1 8 15 22 29	6 13 20 27	3 10 17 24	1 8 15 22 29	5 12 19 26
Tuesday	5 12 19 26	2 9 16 23 30	7 14 21 28	4 11 18 25	2 9 16 23 30	6 13 20 27
Wednesday	6 13 20 27	3 10 17 24	1 8 15 22 29	5 12 19 26	3 10 17 24 31	7 14 21 28
Thursday	7 14 21 28	4 11 18 25	2 9 16 23 30	6 13 20 27	4 11 18 25	1 8 15 22 29
Friday	1 8 15 22 29	5 12 19 26	3 10 17 24 31	7 14 21 28	5 12 19 26	2 9 16 23 30
Saturday	2 9 16 23 30	6 13 20 27	4 11 18 25	1 8 15 22 29	6 13 20 27	3 10 17 24 31
Sunday	3 10 17 24 31	7 14 21 28	5 12 19 26	2 9 16 23 30	7 14 21 28	4 11 18 25

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	FEBRUARY 2026	MARCH 2026	APRIL 2026	MAY 2026	JUNE 2026	JULY 2026
Monday	2 9 16 23	2 9 16 23 30	6 13 20 27	4 11 18 25	1 8 15 22 29	6 13 20 27
Tuesday	3 10 17 24	3 10 17 24 31	7 14 21 28	5 12 19 26	2 9 16 23 30	7 14 21 28
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Friday	6 13 20 27	6 13 20 27	3 10 17 24	1 8 15 22 29	5 12 19 26	3 10 17 24 31
Saturday	7 14 21 28	7 14 21 28	4 11 18 25	2 9 16 23 30	6 13 20 27	4 11 18 25
Sunday	1 8 15 22	1 8 15 22 29	5 12 19 26	3 10 17 24 31	7 14 21 28	5 12 19 26

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Bank Holiday	Red
School Holiday	Blue
PD Days	Yellow

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The number of term days shown is 195. Up to five of these should be taken as professional development (PD) days for teaching staff when pupils will not attend and will be determined by the individual schools. Schools should inform parents accordingly.



SHOOTING STARS
EVERY SATURDAY 9.30AM

Hartlepool St Francis Shooting Stars
Football for ages 3-5 Every Saturday • 9:30 AM

- ★ Sticker chart rewards! Track attendance & progress – earn your very own kit as a prize at the end!
- ★ Free trial session – come and try it out!
- ★ Fully qualified, DBS-checked coaches

Fun, friendly sessions Learn football basics & skills through games and play – great for total beginners!

★ Building our future players

Contact Ben: 07497 579 444
Sign up & more info



Community Voice Drop-In

Friday 5 June | 4.30pm - 6.30pm
Community Hub South, Wynyard Road, TS25 3LQ

Thursday 11 June | 1pm - 4pm
The ORB Community Hub, Caledonian Road, TS25 5LH

What is important to you in your neighbourhood? What changes would you like to see?

Meet your Community Cohesion Officers and share your views on your local community.

Free tea, coffee, a warm meal and creative crafts in a family friendly space.

Kingsley Primary School

Summer term 2026 - Key dates for parents and carers

*Some dates are provisional and may need to change depending on the weather.

Some events are still being organised so details will be sent out separately.

Monday 1st June Children return to school after half term

Monday 1st June Year 6 Leaver's photograph (Uniform to be worn)

Monday 1st June Y4 Multiplication Times Table Check starts

Wednesday 3rd June Nursery starter meeting 3.30pm start

Monday 8th June Y1 Phonics screening test starts

Monday 8th June Y6 School nurse visit - Puberty

Wednesday 10th June Reception Starter meeting 4pm start

Monday 15th June Base trip to Adventure Valley- letters to confirm

Tuesday 16th June Year 3 and 4 Sports Day - 2.15pm start

Wednesday 17th June Reception school trip to Hardwick Park

Thursday 18th June Year 5 and 6 Sports Day - 2.15 pm start

Wednesday 24th June Nursery and reception Sports Afternoon - 2.15pm

Thursday 25th June Year 1 and 2 Sports Afternoon 2.15pm

Thursday 25th June Year 4 trip to the beach

Friday 26th June Year 2 Skipping festival

Tuesday 30th June Sports afternoon - Miss Cooper, Miss Simpson and Mrs Hulme's class 2pm start

Wednesday 1st July Year 5 trip to York

Wednesday 1st July Nursery Graduation 10am

Thursday 2nd July Year 6 Leavers play - afternoon performance 1.30pm and 7pm

Friday 3rd July KS2 Football tournament (optional)

Wednesday 8th July Nursery trip - details to follow

Thursday 9th July—Performing Arts performance 9.15am

Year 3 and 4 Competitive sports day (pm) - details to follow- no spectators

End of Year School Reports to be sent home

Meet the new teacher for the children - in school

Thursday 9th July Year 5 and 6 Competitive sports day (am) - details to follow- no spectators

Reception Competitive sports day (pm) - details to follow- no spectators

Friday 10th July— Y6 Leavers' Assembly 9:30am

Year 1 and 2 Competitive sports day (am) - details to follow- no spectators

Primary Maths Competition - High Tunstall College of Science - details to follow

Wednesday 15th July Nursery trip - details to follow

Children to meet their new teacher - pm

Meet the new teacher 3.30pm - 4.00pm (Not including children moving into reception as they have already had their starter meeting)

Wednesday 2nd September Children return to school

2026/2027 PD days-

Tuesday 1st September 2026

Monday 2nd November 2026

Monday 22nd February 2027

Friday 28th May 2027

Wednesday 21st July 2027