

**Pound Hill Infant Academy - Term 3 – Week 6**  
**Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> February 2026**



**PHIA Pupil numbers: Reception: 90 Year 1: 90 Year 2: 90**

**Key Term Dates**

<b>Parent Consultation Meetings online booking system is now live via parents evening icon on RMP. (options for face-to-face or online video call).</b>	
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> February 2026	<b>INSET - Wellbeing in schools</b>
	Half-Term
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> February 2026	<b>Term 4 starts. Doors open at 0830.</b>
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> February 2026	<b>Mother Tongue Day (see separate information on Weduc)</b>
1 <sup>st</sup> March 2026	<b>PHIA becomes official part of Reach 2 Academy Trust</b>
Week beginning 2 <sup>nd</sup> March 2026.	<b>World Book Week (see information on Weduc) Dress-up day - Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2026. Author visit – Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2026.</b>
Parents' Evening	- Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March 2026 - Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> March 2026 <b>(Booking from 6pm Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> February – Options for face to face or online video call)</b>
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> April 2026	<b>2025/2026 Class photos</b>

**Love of Reading**



On Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2026 “World Book Day” we will be welcoming the best-selling author and illustrator Sue Hendra

to talk about her books. **You can now pre-order her books via Parent Pay by Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> February.** All books will be at the reduced cost of £7 and will be signed by Sue. All books will need to be preordered via ParentPay by Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> February.

Please note; each title is listed separately on ParentPay:

- Book 1 - 'Supertato Night of the Living Veg'
- Book 2 - 'Supertato Happy Birthday Nitwit'
- Book 3 - 'Supertato Books are Rubbish'
- Book 4 - Supertato Anniversary 10<sup>th</sup> edition'
- Book 5 - 'I Spy Island Book vs Shark'
- Book 6 – 'I Spy Island'
- Book 7 – 'Barry The Fish with Fingers'

**Headteacher's Message –**

**Reach2 preparations**

Over the half-term break Reach2 colleagues will be working hard to support with the transfer of IT systems and wifi connections.



Whilst we are very hopeful that there will be minimal impact upon return, on 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2026, plans are in place if IT is impacted.

Therefore, if on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2026, you are unable to contact the academy, please ring or message the academy mobile on: 07851255965

(This information will also be sent via Weduc.)

**Year 1 Peaceful protests**

Year 1 carried out peaceful protests on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> February, raising awareness of climate change and sustainability. This is linked to their current theme of learning around Climate change, via the text 'Greta and the Giants'.

**Children's Mental Health Week**



This week was Children's Mental Health Week, focusing on the theme of 'belonging'. The children during assemblies and in lessons discussed, through stories, where, and how, they feel they 'belong'.

The children also completed a survey, organised by the Pupil Parliament and Charity Committee to understand how children are feeling when in school. The results will be looked at and shared with the children after half-term. Any actions, from this survey, will then be acted on during the remainder of the year.

Mr T Jordan  
Headteacher



**Road Safety:** If you witness anti-social driving, then please report to Sussex Police, using the 'Operation Crackdown' link attached below.

[Anti-Social Driving Public Reporting System](#)



The academy and Sussex Police have received an increase in communication regarding anti-social driving behaviour. Further patrols will be carried out to support with safe parking. I continue to urge

drivers to drive safely and park legally within roads around the academy. This is to ensure the safety of our pupils and community.



Mr Jordan  
Headteacher

**Congratulations to all our pupils for a fantastic week.**  
The weekly Celebration winners were:



**Care Respect Independence Perseverance Success**  
**Reception:** T Bridewell, J Singh and M Morris  
**Year 1:** J Butler, E Da Silva and J Williams  
**Year 2:** H Lewis, O fox and A Awan

**Mother Tongue Day – Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> February.**

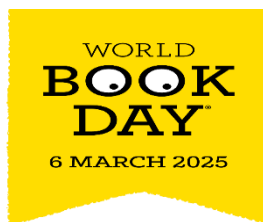
A chance to celebrate our multi-diverse community in its richness of multiple languages.



- We invite our parent/carers into the academy on this day from 2.15pm finishing at 2.45pm. To share a story in your own mother tongue / home language.
- Please confirm with your class teacher if you are willing and able to come into the academy on 26<sup>th</sup> February and share a book in your home language

**World Book Week;**

We will be celebrating World Book Day with activities planned in the academy throughout the week, including drop everything and read opportunities, a whole school 'reading' assembly, all children will be given a National book token as well a free book from FoPHIA.



**Key points:**

- **Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> March** – All children will come home with their £1 National book token.



For many of our community, Ramadan, in 2026, is expected to begin on the evening of Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> February, with the first day of fasting on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> February. It will last 30 days and expected to end near Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March 2026. Eid al-Fitr is expected to be celebrated near Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March 2026.