

13th March 2026



Histon & Impington  
Brook Primary School

# HIBPS Newsletter



## Headteacher update

Dear Families,

In addition to welcoming parents/carers to Spring Consultations, we were also visited by our Academy Council this week- they toured the school, spoke with children and staff to get an authentic sense of school life. We're really grateful for the support they give to our school.

On 7th March 2026, artwork from 12 pupils across Reception to Year 6 was showcased at the ASHYAC exhibition at St Ivo Academy. We're incredibly proud of all our young artists, and thrilled that a Year 4 pupil won the KS2 Creativity Award. Well done to everyone who took part!

To mark the National Year of Reading and our recent World Book Day celebrations, each class has created a book-themed display around the school. The results look brilliant and we're excited to share the children's creativity and hard work in this newsletter.

Next week we look forward to a very exciting Year 2 trip to the Cambridge Science Centre. Red Nose Day is also taking place next Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March - communications about this will be on the way soon!

Thank you,

Richard Bakker  
Headteacher



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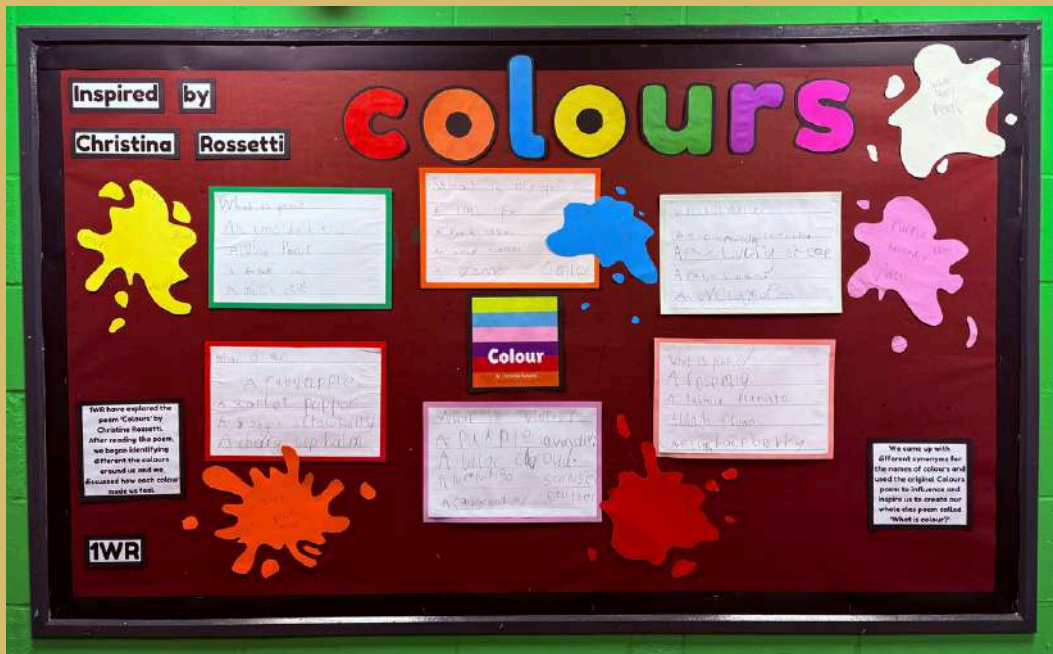
# School News – The National Year of Reading

To celebrate the National Year of Reading, and our recent World Book Day, each class has created a display based on a book. The displays look fantastic and we wanted to share the children's creative and hard work with you.

## Reception



Year 1



Year 2



# Year2



# Year3



# SECRETS of the SCARAB

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SECRETS of the DEAD

## WINGED SCARAB PECTORAL OF TUTANKHAMUN

The Winged Scarab Pectoral of Tutankhamun, made for the young pharaoh's burial, is one of the most beautiful objects in the tomb. It is made of gold, with a central scarab beetle, wings of blue and green glass, and a large red and white lotus flower. The scarab beetle is a symbol of rebirth and life, and the lotus flower is a symbol of purity and enlightenment. The pectoral is a masterpiece of ancient Egyptian art and is a testament to the skill and creativity of the ancient Egyptians.

A Scarab from the late 18th Dynasty (1550-1350 BC) and was found in the tomb of Tutankhamun in the Valley of the Kings.



Tutankhamun



Introducing the Dead

# 4JB

4JB

SECRETS of the DEAD

## AN AMBITIOUS PLAN

Questions we considered:  
Was his good or evil?  
Does the end ever justify the means?  
If we were Ra, would we have given up our secret name?

The Snake: She placed this magical serpent on the path for walking delay. The snake bit him, causing severe poisoning that Ra could not cure himself.

Outcome: Ra revealed his name to Isis, and she healed him. This allowed for Isis to divine Osiris' name, which she used for good to protect her son, Horus.



A Summary of the Story  
The Plan: Seeking to gain Ra's power, Isis created a snake from dirt mixed with the sun god's saliva.



The Bergamot: He agreed to heal Ra only if he disclosed his secret name, which held the key to his immense power.



Group Photo



Group Photo



Group Photo

Year 5



A world map project on a black background with a blue scalloped border. The continents are cut out of green paper. Red arrows indicate migration paths across the globe. Various animals are cut out and placed around the map: whales, seagulls, butterflies, and birds. In the bottom left, there is a small poster titled "MIGRATION" with a picture of a bird and some text. In the bottom right, there is a blue box with the text "5EP".

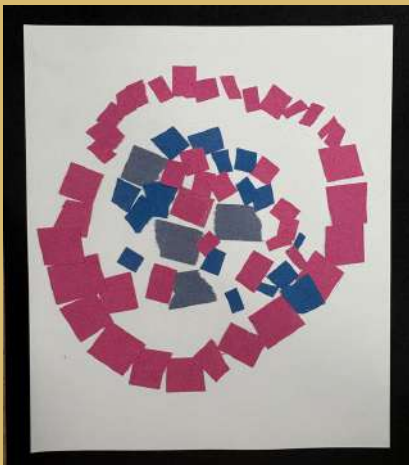


A project titled "Greek Gods and Goddesses" on a black background with a blue scalloped border. The title is written in large, decorative letters. The project features several small, framed illustrations of Greek deities, including Zeus, Athena, Poseidon, and others. There are also small text cards next to the illustrations. In the bottom left, there is a poster titled "WHO LE GODS OF" and a small blue box with the text "5AG".



# ASHYAC – Art Competition and Exhibition

On Saturday 7th March 2026, we proudly entered artwork from 12 of our pupils – ranging from Reception to Year 6 – into ASHYAC, an exhibition and competition showcasing young artists from across Cambridgeshire and Huntingdonshire. The event was held at St Ivo Academy and provided a wonderful opportunity for our pupils to have their work displayed as part of a major public art exhibition. We are incredibly proud of every one of our entrants. Their creativity, effort and enthusiasm were truly inspiring. We are also delighted to share that one of our Year 4 pupils won the **KS2 Creativity Award** for her impressive piece. Well done to all our talented young artists for representing our school so brilliantly!



 **ASHYAC – Art Competition and Exhibition**



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# UPCOMING EVENTS – Next Week

Big Walk and Wheel – Encourage your child(ren) to walk, use a wheelchair, scoot or cycle to school on as many days as possible during the next 2 weeks!



WalkWheel CycleTrust Headline sponsor SCHWALBE

**We're taking part in the Big Walk and Wheel 2026 challenge.**

*Join in by walking, wheeling, scooting or cycling to school between 16 - 27 March.*

- ✓ Be active and feel more energised
- ✓ Help the environment by replacing a car journey
- ✓ Help us win some fantastic prizes

[www.BigWalkAndWheel.org.uk](http://www.BigWalkAndWheel.org.uk)

Headline sponsor:  
**SCHWALBE**

WalkWheel CycleTrust



# UPCOMING EVENTS – Next Week



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## Info sheet

16 - 27 March 2026

Big Walk and Wheel is the UK's largest walking, wheeling, scooting and cycling challenge. It inspires pupils to make active journeys to school, improve air quality in their neighbourhood and discover how these changes benefit their world.



### Big Walk and Wheel challenge

Active travel is a great way to build physical activity into children's daily routine. It helps them arrive to school more relaxed and alert, and is great for their mental wellbeing. This year the challenge will run from 16 - 27 March 2026.

It is free and easy to take part in Big Walk and Wheel. You can register your school for the challenge from January 2026 at [www.bigwalkandwheel.org.uk](http://www.bigwalkandwheel.org.uk)



### How it works

On each day of the challenge schools compete to see who can record the greatest number of pupils walking, using a wheelchair, scooting or cycling to school.

A school's best five days will determine their final position and schools at the top of their leader boards will receive an exclusive Big Walk and Wheel certificate.



### Prizes and badges

All schools will be entered into daily prize draws for rewards if over 15% of your school takes part on each day of the challenge. Prizes up for grabs include accessories and equipment to help your school travel actively. All schools that participate in Big Walk and Wheel will also have the opportunity to earn virtual badges.

In 2025,  
**4,550kg**  
of nitrogen oxide  
avoided as a result  
of the 10-day  
challenge\*

In 2025,  
**2,880  
tonnes**  
of CO<sub>2</sub> avoided as a  
result of the 10-day  
challenge\*

In 2025, pupils at  
**2,024**  
schools made  
**2,840,575**  
journeys to school by  
foot, wheelchair,  
scooter and cycle

\*Based on the assumption the journeys logged in the challenge would otherwise have been made by car.

# UPCOMING EVENTS – Friday 20<sup>th</sup> Red Nose Day

Dear Parents/Carers,

Next Friday is Comic Relief and we would like to support this amazing cause.

We are inviting Park and Brook children to wear their school P.E. kits on Friday 20th March to celebrate all things Comic/Sports Relief.

During the day at different points, we will take part in some different physical activities through the day to celebrate all things sporty and to challenge ourselves to move more. Greg James (from Radio 1) is cycling 100 miles on a tandem so we can definitely get moving!

Donations can be made via our joint JustGiving Page using the link below:

[https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/rnd26-histon-and-impington-park-primary-school?utm\\_medium=FA&utm\\_source=CL](https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/rnd26-histon-and-impington-park-primary-school?utm_medium=FA&utm_source=CL)

Kind regards,  
Mrs Hilton

## HOW YOUR MONEY MAKES A DIFFERENCE

Whatever you do this Red Nose Day, the money you raise will help support incredible projects that get people the basics they need, from shelter and safety to food and essential supplies, right across the UK and around the world.

HELP FEED  
CHILDREN

£5

could help feed a child for a day at a community hub during school holidays in the UK, stopping them from going hungry.



SUPPORT  
YOUNG PEOPLE

£10

could help provide after school lessons for a child seeking safety in the UK, helping them progress in their education.



A PLACE TO  
CALL HOME

£25

could provide a young person in the UK who has experienced homelessness with a starter pack, helping them to take the first steps towards thriving independently in a new home.



THE BEST  
START IN LIFE

£36

could equip 20 students in South Africa with the stationery and basic learning resources they need for a month, helping them complete homework and supporting their ongoing education.



HELP FAMILIES  
GET BY

£100

could provide a week's worth of baby supplies for five families in the UK struggling to meet their basic needs.



HELP PROVIDE  
LIFE'S ESSENTIALS

£250

could provide a community rainwater harvesting system, ensuring clean water access for a school or women's group in a community facing water insecurity in South Africa.





# KS1 updates

Year 1 - grouping in 10s



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Year 2 - block graph!



Year 2 - Van Gough art





# KS2 updates



Year 4 – at The Fitzwilliam Museum

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# KS2 updates

Year 5 - Dance Performance



Year 6 - researching Ancient Greeks



Year 6 - science investigations



Year 6 - science investigations





# Key Dates : This Term

<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Event</b>
<b>Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March - Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>Everyday</b>	<b>Big Walk and Wheel</b>
<b>Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>Morning</b>	<b>Reception - Vision Screening</b>
<b>Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>Various Groups Timetable</b>	<b>Year 5 - Bikeability Training Level 2 &amp; 3</b>
<b>Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>9 am - Midday</b>	<b>Year 2 - Trip to the Cambridge Science Centre</b>
<b>Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>3.15pm</b>	<b>Reception and Year 1 - PTFA Cake Sale</b>
<b>Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>All Day</b>	<b>All Years - Red Nose Day</b>
<b>Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>4.45pm-6pm</b>	<b>Reception &amp; KS1 Classes - Movie Night</b>
<b>Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>6-6.30pm</b>	<b>Year 6 - Grafham Information Evening for Parents and Carers</b>
<b>Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>TBC</b>	<b>Year 5 - Trip to see the Lion King in London</b>
<b>Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> April</b>	<b>TBC</b>	<b>Years 1.3 &amp; 4 Giant Journey - Virtual Reality Experience</b>
<b>Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May - Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>Mornings</b>	<b>Year 6 - SATs week</b>
<b>Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>9:00 am onwards</b>	<b>All Years - Class Photos with YEP</b>
<b>Monday 1<sup>st</sup> - Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June</b>	<b>TBC</b>	<b>Year 6 - Residential Trip to Grafham Water Centre</b>
<b>Friday 12<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>3.15pm-6pm</b>	<b>PTFA School Summer Fair</b>
<b>Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> June &amp; Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> June</b>	<b>TBC</b>	<b>Year 6 - IVC Transition Days</b>



# PTFA – UPCOMING EVENTS



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Brook Primary School

HISTON AND IMPINGTON BROOK  
PRIMARY SCHOOL PTFA

# Cake Sale

**Friday 20th March**  
**3.15pm**

Our Reception and Y1 classes will be selling lots of delicious cakes for everybody after school in the playground to raise funds for our school.

**All cakes 50p or £1 – cash preferred!**

Any queries, please email: [hijspata@gmail.com](mailto:hijspata@gmail.com)



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HIBPS PTFA PRESENTS  
RECEPTION, YEAR 1 & YEAR 2  
WITH PARENTS & CARERS

# MOVIE NIGHT



FRI 20th MARCH, 4.45-6.30pm  
HISTON & IMPINGTON BROOK SCHOOL  
Wear your pyjamas & bring a cushion!

## MADAGASCAR

**TICKETS £6 PER CHILD inc POPCORN & a DRINK  
BAR FOR PARENTS & CARERS**

Please book your ticket in advance:

[www.pta-events.co.uk/hijs](http://www.pta-events.co.uk/hijs)

Due to capacity this event is for HIBPS Reception, Year 1 & Year 2 children only - siblings are unable to attend. Parents & carers will be responsible for their children.



HIBPS PTFA

# STIR FUNDRAISER

*Sip, Shop & Support - Our Fundraising Scheme is Back!*

We've partnered with Stir Histon for a fantastic fundraising opportunity! From Monday 9th March to Sunday 19th April, simply show your PTFA card when you visit Stir Histon and 10% of your purchase will be donated directly to our school's fundraising pot - at no extra cost to you.

## HOW IT WORKS

- **Show your card on arrival** - present your card (or the photo of it below on your phone) when you arrive at the café, not when you pay at the end.
- **Shop as normal** - there's no discount, but 10% of everything you purchase goes straight to the PTFA.
- **Use Click & Collect too!** - the scheme also works with Stir's Click and Collect service. Simply write 'Histon and Impington Brook PTFA' in the notes at checkout.

## KEY DETAILS

- **Where:** Stir Histon branch only
- **When:** Monday 9th March – Sunday 19th April 2025
- **Card:** Physical copy or a photo on your phone (see image below) — both are accepted



THANK YOU FOR  
SUPPORTING  
HI BROOK  
PRIMARY SCHOOL

10% of your Stir Histon purchase will be donated to the Histon and Impington Brook PTFA. Just show this card in store upon arrival, or add a note saying "Brook PTFA 10%" when ordering Click & Collect.



HIBPS PTFA

# REGULAR GIVING

No time for bake sales?

Here's the thing- our PTFA helps fund a range of enriching activities and projects. From new books your kids love, to amazing playground equipment, subsidising school trips that create memories and more.

However, we can only do it with your help. The good news? If you're time-poor but still able to give, then a regular donation is an easy way to contribute.

£10/month = less than two fancy coffees. But 50 families doing it = £6,000/year for our kids. They'll benefit from it. Everyone wins.

## PAYROLL GIVING

Tax-efficient: £10 a month costs you only £8 (just £6 for higher rate taxpayers)

**Charity name:** Histon and Impington Brook Primary School Parent-Teacher-Friends Association  
**Charity number:** 268870

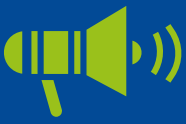
On board? Click this [link](#) to get started

## STANDING ORDER

Set up a standing order to:

**Account number:** 43091589  
**Sort code:** 20-17-20  
**Bank:** Barclays  
**Account name:** Histon and Impington Brook School PTA  
**Ref:** Your name

Email [hijpspta@gmail.com](mailto:hijpspta@gmail.com) a [Gift Aid form](#) so we can claim an extra 25p for every £1 donated.



# Our Outside School Achievements!

We love seeing your fabulous achievements outside of school!

Please e-mail the office at [office@brookprimary.co.uk](mailto:office@brookprimary.co.uk) if you have any achievements you would like to celebrate with everyone!

Please say if you and your child are happy for it to go in the Newsletter, in the school Celebration Assembly or on the Celebration Wall, or any combination of these.



**Creativity at Work!**



We really enjoyed the Art Competition last week and Leah actually won the KS2 Creativity award, we are very proud

Well done Leah! We love the Leah merchandise!

## Swimming and Running Super Star!

Florence has recently completed Swim England Stage 3 and been awarded a Junior Park Run Marathon wrist band (achieved for completing 21 x 2km runs on Sunday mornings at Milton Country Park).

Florence would also like to thank all the volunteers who help arrange and run the Junior Park Runs on Sunday mornings for making the event great fun. (Many of the volunteers are parents at the school and I would like to say we very much appreciate their time and effort).



## Musical Super Stars!

Two weeks ago Pranav, Mia and Olivia auditioned with 70 other children ( age 8 to 18) for Matilda Jr. Musical Production of Epiphany Theatre in Northstowe.

They were very brave. So, we all have good news to share with you and the whole HIBPS team.

Mia , Pranav and Olivia have been cast in Matilda Jr. the Musical production of Epiphany Theatre of Cambridgeshire. They're working extremely hard every week and the tickets will go on sale soon. The whole team is looking forward to seeing them performing on 26th and 27th June.



## Theatre Distinction!



Sophia took her Lamda Musical Theatre Grade 1 end of November and achieved a distinction. She performed "Naughty" from Matilda the musical singing and dancing and also "I just can't wait to be king" from the Lion King.

She's well on her way to Grade 2 now. Tbc..!!

Well done for all your hard work Sophia and for being so brave!

## Hockey Team Winner!



Helena plays for Cambridge City Hockey Club, last weekend she participated in the U10 girls Plate competition.

Her team came in first place! and they all won a medal and will have the plate displayed at the Cambridge City Club.

Well done Helena what a brilliant achievement!  
You must all have great teamwork!



# Education Inclusion Family Advisor Newsletter March 2026



## A Bit About Me

Hi, my name is Jurate Trumpickiene, I'm your school's link EIFA. As an EIFA I offer advice and strategies to parents and carers with a Primary School aged child that may be experiencing some challenges such as routines, sleep, sibling rivalry, challenging behaviour, worries or self-esteem. If you'd like a chance to discuss any of these topics, please complete our service consent form via this link: <https://forms.office.com/e/MK4VD8wiFt>

## Top Tips

### Parenting top tip Whattodowhenchildrenargue



Children often argue because they haven't yet learned emotional regulation skills. Helping them practise calm-down techniques during non-stressful times makes it more likely they'll use them during conflicts. **Examples to teach:** taking a deep breath; stepping away from the argument briefly, using a "calm voice", saying what they need instead of blaming. If appropriate think about allowing for some negotiation and choice. For example: 'Would you like to do your homework before or after tea?' 'You can tidy up by yourself or I can help you.' 'Would you like to have your screentime in the morning or the afternoon?' Children do get told what to do quite a lot, and some (especially those who are strong willed) like to feel that they have some control and offering choices helps with that. ([Incredible Years programme-click the book for more](#))



## Activity

We have had a lot of rain lately! Adults often see it as an inconvenience don't they, but looked at through a child's eyes it can be fun. So next time it's raining why not put your waterproofs on and head outdoors. Here's an idea that might appeal to your little ones.

### Start a raindrop orchestra



Take some different objects outside to see what sounds the rain makes when it falls on them. Try different-sized saucepans or raid your recycling for foil containers and empty tin cans. Can you hear heavy drumming, a soft pitter-patter or pretty tinkling sounds? Try to create as many different sounds as possible and make some raindrop music.

Check out some more ideas here: [50 things to do before you're 11½ | Kids | National Trust](#)

## Pinpoint Cambridgeshire is hosting its Annual Conference 2026 on Tuesday 10 March at The Burgess Hall, St Ives (9:30am–2:15pm).

The free event is open to parent carers, parents, guardians and relatives of children and young people with SEND or additional needs (diagnosed or not), as well as professionals supporting SEND families.

Created by parent carers, for parent carers, the conference offers a calm, inclusive and flexible programme, with short workshops on topics including sleep, autism, sensory needs, benefits, education, trauma-informed practice and employment. A Marketplace of local services will be open for most of the day, alongside sensory workshops running throughout. The event is designed to help families feel supported, informed and less alone. **Free booking:** [www.pinpoint-cambs.org.uk/events](http://www.pinpoint-cambs.org.uk/events)

Does your child have, or potentially have, an additional need or disability? **Pinpoint** ([www.pinpoint-cambs.org.uk](http://www.pinpoint-cambs.org.uk)) have lots of information, advice and tips. For **Cambridgeshire's Local Offer** go to [www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/residents/children-and-families/local-offer](http://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/residents/children-and-families/local-offer)

Contact me directly on 07767048838 or




[Jurate.Trumpickiene@cambridgeshire.gov.uk](mailto:Jurate.Trumpickiene@cambridgeshire.gov.uk)



# Education Inclusion Family Advisor Team Countywide Online Workshop Offer

The EIFA team would like to present our newly updated workshops on a variety of parenting and family issues for February and March.

Please ensure you book onto each workshop individually by clicking on the link or scanning the QR code and completing the registration form.

Supporting Your Child with Sleep	Tuesday, 24 February 2026, 12:00-13:30	Book onto this workshop at: <a href="#">Microsoft Virtual Events Powered by Teams</a> or	
Managing Challenging Behaviour	Thursday, 26 February 2026, 12:00-13:30	Book onto this workshop at: <a href="#">Microsoft Virtual Events Powered by Teams</a> or	
Supporting Your Child with Angry Feelings	Tuesday, 3 March 2026, 12:00-13:30	Book onto this workshop at: <a href="#">Microsoft Virtual Events Powered by Teams</a> or	
Sibling Rivalry	Thursday, 12 March 2026, 12:00-13:30	Book onto this workshop at: <a href="#">Microsoft Virtual Events Powered by Teams</a> or	
Digital Safety	Tuesday, 17 March 2026, 12:00-13:30	Book onto this workshop at: <a href="#">Microsoft Virtual Events Powered by Teams</a> or	
Supporting Your Child with Feelings of Worry	Tuesday 24 March 2026, 12:00-13:30	Book onto this workshop at: <a href="#">Microsoft Virtual Events Powered by Teams</a> or	

If you have any questions about our workshops, or the EIFA service in general, please contact [earlyintervention@cambridgeshire.gov.uk](mailto:earlyintervention@cambridgeshire.gov.uk)

# MathsFit



**HOLIDAY CLUB**  
is coming to Histon Brook  
Primary School

**SCHOOLS OUT SO COME AND  
JOIN THE FUN AT MATHSFIT!**

- Boost maths confidence
- Burn energy
- Make friends
- Have FUN

**Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> April**

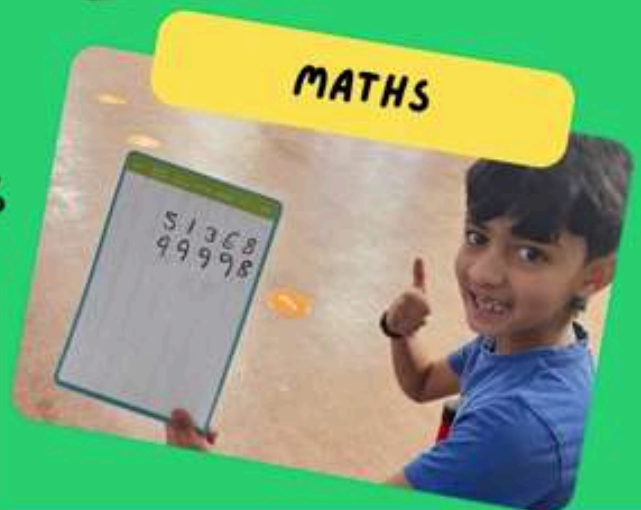
**9am-3.30pm**

**Open to years 1-5**

**£35 per child**

Please use discount code **sibling10%**  
if booking siblings

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