

HILL FARM NEWS CURRICULUM CHARACTER COMMUNITY



17 MARCH 2023

HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

Dear Parent/Carer

It was such a lovely day today for our EYFS and KS1 pupils as they shared why they love their special people in a Mother's Day assembly. There were lots of happy tears as children read poems, sang songs and shared their artwork.



Year 3 enjoyed a visitor from the past as part of their History learning. A Greek soldier helped them explore Greek artefacts and clothing.

Year 5 visited Barr's Hill for an afternoon of science investigating electricity in the





Although the snow disrupted our learning on Friday there was still some fun to be had in reception as pupils made the most of the wintry weather making snowmen.

Thank you to all the parents and carers that attended parent meetings this week. I hope you were pleased with your child's progress and found them informative. If you were not able to attend but would like to speak to your child's class teacher for an update, please contact the school office.

Finally, a new feature of our newsletter will share pupil ideas that further improve Hill Farm. A huge Values well done to Sara Maria who donated her hair to the Little Princess Trust. After doing so, she and her friend Valeria asked if they could become Charity Ambassadors! They are now organizing events to raise funds for a range of charities that the school council will decide.

The first fundraiser is on Friday 31st March and will be a non-uniform day. Children can dress casually for a 50p donation with all monies donated going to the Little Princess Trust.

Thank you for your support,

Dawn Wilson - Headteacher

CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY TIMETABLE



We will be continuing to host our Celebration assemblies for Years 1 to 5. They are held in the KS2 Hall and start at 9:00am. Year 6 have a monthly showcase/celebration assembly starting at 2:45pm on Tuesdays (Postponed until

SATs have finished). We would love if it if you could join us with your family and friends.

If your child is due to be presented with a certificate or an award you will receive an invite to the assembly no later than the Wednesday of that week.

- Friday 24 March Y1-5 Celebration Assembly
- Friday 31 March EYFS & Y1&2 Easter Bonnet Parade

ATTENDANCE



Attendance for this academic year to date is 94.1%

TIME TO TALK' APPOINTMENTS



We now offer a weekly

'Time to Talk' parent/carer appointments with Mrs Lucas

(Acting SENCO). It is an opportunity to talk about any questions or concerns you might have or to discuss progress, additional needs or SEN support for your child. Appointments are available every

Wednesday and can be made via the office. 'Time to Talk' appointments are available

at 8:30am or 8:50am.







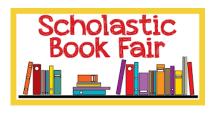








BOOK FAIR



We are very excited to be hosting the Scholastic book fair from Thursday 23rd – Tuesday 28th March in KS1 Hall.

after school until 4:00pm

Doors will open straight

each evening and don't forget that every book you buy can help to get **FREE BOOKS** for our school library!

The children will each receive a £1 voucher from World Book Day which can be put towards the price of a book and there is an option to pay online if you don't have cash.

There will be over 200 great titles, new authors and well-loved stories on offer. The Book Fair is such a good opportunity to find books that will encourage your child to read for pleasure and we can't wait to see you there.

READING PASSPORT



This term's reading passport destination is **INDIA**.

Let's see how many children we can have at the end of term Reading Party.

Did you know that encouraging your child to read just two pages of a book each evening can increase their reading age by up to six months!

FREE FAMILY FESTIVAL IN FOLESHILL



There is a FREE Family Festival happening in Foleshill on

Saturday 18th March 2023.

There will be free food, games, arts activities and poetry readings for families. It has been funded by Coventry City Council.

Time: 1pm - 5pm
Inity Centre/Edgwick Par

Venue: Indian Community Centre/Edgwick Park, 243 Cross Rd,
Coventry CV6 5GP
Everybody is Welcome

YEAR 6 SATS HUB

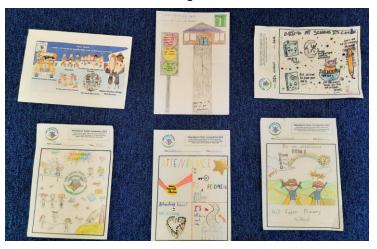


Calling all Year 6 parents, you should have received a letter this week welcoming you to the **Year 6 SATS Hub**. This is the one stop virtual school to help your child succeed in their Arithmetic, Grammar and Reading Papers.

ATTENDANCE POSTER

A **HUGE** thank you to everyone that submitted an entry to our **Attendance Poster** competition.

We have had so many that we were able to have a Winner per Year Group. Their entries will be made into postcards and then the overall Winner will have their entry made into a Poster to promote Attendance throughout our School.



And the Winners are:

- Year 1 Fola
- Year 2 Aymen & Ayesha
- Year 3 Diya
- Year 4 Ridah
- Year 5 Valeria
- Year 6 Muhammad



Overall WINNERS

Mia & Maisey

A massive CONGRATULATIONS
& WELL DONE
to all our Winners

CHARITY AMBASSADORS

Welcome to our new Charity Ambassadors
Sara-Maria & Valeria

They are now busy organising events to raise funds for a range of charities that the school council will decide upon.



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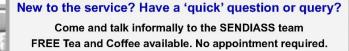
Children can dress casually for a 50p donation with all monies donated going to the Little Princess Trust. This is a charity that provides free, real hair wigs to

young people who have lost their own hair through cancer treatments or other conditions. Sara-Maria donated her hair to

this very worthy cause.









COFFEE MORNING

Tel: 024 7669 4307 or e-mail: iass@coventry.gov.uk



Don't forget to click on the Parents Tab on our school website to see the Community News and Events in our area

BISCUIT COMPETITION



Time to get your bake on for our new White's Bakery competition!

We're looking for students of all ages to bring their wild and wacky ideas to life and create us a brand new biscuit to add to our range.

YOUR BISCUIT CREATION MUST BE:

√ Based upon a cookie, flapjack, shortbread or gingerbread √ Nut free

√ Low sugar, low fat, and low salt

√ Free from chocolate or sweets

Send your entry with a recipe, a drawing and your name and schools name. And please give your biscuit a name too!

REGISTER TO TAKE PART

THE WINNER'S PRIZES INCLUDE:



The winners biscuit added to the White's range for 12 months

A trip to the LACA Show and a special award





Goodie bag

An experience day

REGISTER TO TAKE PART

To Register, follow the link

https://whitesbakery.co.uk/pages/ready-steady-bake

KEY DATES 2022/2023

Date	Year Group	Event
Thursday 23 rd – Tuesday 28 th March 2023	Whole School	Book Fair
Thursday 30 th March 2023	Years 1 - 6	Reading Party - India
Friday 31 st March 2023	Whole School	Non Uniform Day 50p donation for The Little Princess Trust Charity
Friday 31 st March 2023	Nursery & Reception Years 1 & 2	Easter Bonnet Parade – 9:15am
Friday 31st March 2023	Years 3, 4, 5 & 6	Hard Boiled Egg Decorating Competition
Friday 31st March 2023	Whole School	Break up for Easter Holidays at 3:20pm
Monday 17 th April 2023	Whole School	School Opens at 8:30am
Monday 1 st May 2023	Whole School	School Closed for May Day Holiday
Friday 5 th May 2023	Whole School	Coronation Picnic (info to follow)
Monday 8 th May 2023	Whole School	School Closed for King's Coronation Celebrations
Tuesday 9 th - 12 th May 2023	Year 6	SATS
Monday 29 th May – Friday 2 nd June 2023	Whole School	School Closed for Spring Bank Holiday & Half Term
Monday 5 th June 2023	Whole School	School Opens at 8:30am
Tuesday 20 th June 2023	Year 3	Arts Award Visit to the Herbert Gallery
Friday 23 rd June 2023	Whole School	School Closed for Teacher Training Day
Monday 26 th June 2023	Whole School	School Opens at 8:30am
Thursday 6 th July 2023	Years 1 & 2	Day at the Beach
Tuesday 11 th July 2023	Year 3	Lunt Roman Fort Trip
Friday 21st July 2023	Whole School	Break up for Summer Holidays at 3:20pm
Monday 24 th & Tuesday 25 th July 2023	Whole School	School Closed for Teacher Training Days

ENERGY DRINKS



An increasing number of children are bringing energy drinks to school. Although energy drinks are a popular choice, they have been found to have harmful effects on young children. These drinks are often high in caffeine, sugar and other stimulants that can affect their behaviour and health. Also, studies have shown that the consumption of energy drinks can lead to poor academic performance and lack of concentration.

As a school, we are committed to providing a safe and healthy environment for all of our pupils. We are aware that some of the children who walk to school stop on their way to pick up a drink for the day. If this is the case, please support your child in choosing water for the day or a flavoured water (only for lunchtime).

Please promote the use of re-useable, refillable water bottles that can be used multiple times to encourage looking after the environment. Thank you for your support with this.