

# HILL FARM NEWS CURRICULUM CHARACTER COMMUNITY



# 31 MARCH 2023

#### **HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE**

Dear Parent/Carer

Although it has been a short half-term, we have managed to cram in so many exciting learning opportunities for our pupils culminating in a focus on science and DT this week.

Children in year 5 learned about the phases of the moon and investigated how levers help launch rockets whilst nursery children discovered and named mini-beasts. Year 1 planted some rather unusual items – I'm not sure they will grow but it did not stop their imagination and creativity!

Today saw our EYFS and KS1 pupils taking part in the Easter Bonnet parade which was simply delightful. I hope parents and carers enjoyed the Easter craft session afterwards.

Look further on in this newsletter for all the winners of our Easter bonnet and hard boiled egg decorating competitions.

Thank you to everyone that supported our Charity Ambassadors today by donating 50p to the Little Princess Trust to wear non-uniform. We managed to raise £190 so that will be sent to support making wigs for children undergoing treatment.

Thank you to our nursery and reception parents who attended our new style parent meetings. The feedback was very positive and we hope you enjoyed the longer opportunity to chat to teachers about the progress your children are making. If you were not able to attend but would like to speak to your child's class teacher for an update, please contact the office.

Finally, could I remind you to check that pupils have a refillable water bottle in school as we move towards the summer term. Children should only have soft drinks in their lunch as water is available to them throughout the rest of the day.

Thank you for your support,

Dawn Wilson - Headteacher

## PE IN SCHOOL

Please could you ensure your child has full PE kit in school with appropriate footwear.



Also, please remember that children can only wear stud earrings to school and when taking part in PE they must be covered with tape if they cannot be removed.



## **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.

Watch this Space for Details of Next Term's Assemblies

#### **ATTENDANCE**



Attendance for this academic year to date is 94.3%

## **'TIME TO TALK' APPOINTMENTS**



We offer 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.

#### **HEALTH CARE PLAN**



alth Care Plans Just a reminder: that if your child has an **Individual Health Care Plan** and there have been any changes to it, to let the school know.













#### SCHOOL VALUES AWARD - CLASS WINNERS



- 1JH Daniel for being an absolute superstar! He has come a long way in all areas - Maths, Reading and Writing in just a few short weeks and that is down to his determination and persistence in his reading!
- **1JH Rahela** for working incredibly hard whilst writing a narrative. Rahela has been thinking about using her Fred Fingers to sound out words and help her with her spelling.
- 1GC Millie for her determination and improvement with her handwriting.
- **1GC Alfie D-T** for his improvement in recognising sounds when spoken to him and finding them on his sound mat.
- 2TK Mason for demonstrating super problem-solving skills in science when investigating how to make an object move further. He worked well in his team and was keen to talk about what he had discovered.
- 2TK Lava for demonstrating resourcefulness and resilience when working independently in Maths to solve time word problems.
- 2LL Tai for having great determination in his reading quiz. His perseverance and determination paid off as his quiz score was amazing!
- 2LL Sheraz for showing kindness to her friends, by helping them with their work and explaining what to do.
- 3BM Nikodem for always independence and working hard. Niko is always ambitious with his writing and has a wonderful imagination.
- **3BM** Daria for showing confidence and determination with her swimming.
- **3EF Sammy** for her dedication, enthusiasm and determination in all lessons. Sammy has worked tirelessly to improve her joined up handwriting. In her newspaper report she used excellent vocabulary including 'approached' and 'speculating'!
- 3EF Pamilean for his fantastic progress in all lessons. Mrs Sisk-Crawford is so proud of you for your maths and phonics.
- 4DJ Mohammed S for a great attitude to learning and showing much more independence within his work, especially with writing. He checks his writing to see if it makes sense and he is also trying very hard with his handwriting!
- 4DJ Jenson for really trying with his work, he is completing a lot more per lesson and is also really focussing on his handwriting. He challenges himself during English to use ambitious vocabulary, well done Jenson!
- 4SO Kyal for writing an outstanding piece of work this week. He included adjectives, some show not tell and some fronted adverbials. It was super!
- **4SO Shaheenda** for just being all round amazing. The effort that she puts into all of her work is phenomenal and it shows!

#### SCHOOL VALUES AWARD - CLASS WINNERS



- **5DL Hasan** for always being respectful to members of staff, taking on board any advice they may give.
- 5DL Alisa for showing perseverance and determination to understand new concepts in Science. Alisa always gets on quietly with her work which is very much appreciated.
- **5MB Lacey** her attitude towards her learning is exceptional. She challenges herself in all her lessons.
- 5MB Michael because he has shown confident speaking and listening skills. Michael always has excellent answers and opinions to share, and does this with clarity.
- **5SM Phoebe**. She is determined to always understand what is being taught and use it independently. She listens well and asks questions to deepen her knowledge.
- 5SM Ronik for widening his knowledge base in history and sharing he own research. He is also a brilliant debater who is happy to challenge ideas - even Miss McCann's!

#### **LUNCHTIME VALUES WINNERS**



- **Year 1 Susana** for being a brilliant role model on the playground and in the canteen.
- Year 2 Sipan for beautiful manners and always lovely behaviour.
- **Year 3 Laila** for being a helpful friend on the playground and having lovely manners.
- Year 4 Darshan for being really helpful, he

always wants to help and is a polite and respectful boy, what amazing values. Well done!

- Year 5 Gabriel for always showing the schools values. He is always pleasant and polite to staff and his peers.
- Year 6 Joshua for always being respectful and using his values towards peers and adults. Well done Joshua.

## READING PASSPORT



What a fabulous time the children had, this week, at the Reading Party destination INDIA.

The children created their own mandalas, designed their own Taj Mahal artwork and tried some traditional Indian food.

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!

## SCHOOL UNIFORM APPEAL



We urgently need uniform for ages 10 and above. So, if you have any that you no longer need, that's in good condition, please donate at the school office. Thank you.

## FAMILY LEARNING

Family Learning are running a FREE course for ESOL (English for Speakers of Other Languages). parents at Telfer Road Adult Education Venue. The focus of this course is around parents / carers being able to support their children with the Maths and English Curriculum.

## Family Learning Coventry Adult Education Service

# English and Maths in the Primary School

A free Family Learning course for ESOL learners

Beginner ESOL learners are very welcome to join this free 10 week course for parents/carers to develop confidence in helping your children with phonics, reading and writing.

#### We will:

- Find out how to correctly pronounce the phonics sounds Find out how maths in taught
- Focus on the way children learn in British primary schools
- Provide you with games to take home and play with your children

Where: Telfer Road Centre, 200 Telfer Rd, Radford, Coventry, CV6 3FA When: 12.30-2.30pm each Monday, for 10 weeks. Starts on Monday 24th April.

To find out more contact: Deborah.Brown@coventry.gov.uk, or katharine.bang@coventrv.gov.uk

To book a place: Fill in the reply slip below and return to your ESOL tutor or email deborah.brown@coventry.gov.uk

There are just 12 places so be quick!

If you can't join this course look out for our online courses on coventry.gov.uk/adulted

Please complete this reply slip & give to your ESOL teacher or email Deborah/Katharine.

I would like a place on the English in the Primary School course. I am available on Monday afternoons for 10 weeks from 24th April

Telephone Number: Email address.

ESOL tutors - Please tell Debbie about any learners that are interested.

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## **CHARITY AMBASSADORS**

**Our Charity Ambassadors** 

#### Sara-Maria & Valeria

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

Their first fundraiser was today, all monies donated is 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.



**Look out for more Events Coming Soon** 

## EGG CELLENT ATTENDANCE WINNERS

The winners of the **EGGcellent** Attendance Awards are:

#### Nursery

- Nicola & Arthur
- Japneet & Mateo

#### Reception

- Nancy & Nathan
- Rose & Raja

#### Year 1

- Riley & Keon-Jay
- Grace & Ayaan

#### Year 2

- **Eveline & Sipan**
- Mason & Adam

#### Year 3

- Ionut & Kayden
- Logan W & Renesmee

#### Year 4

- Imogen & Mohammed
- Antonia & Reagan

#### Year 5

- Jennifer & Liam
- Joshua & Shkola
- Alessia & Ruby-Jayne

## Year 6

- **Nevaro & Pearl**
- Taylor & Alisha
- Delia & Mikaeel



## **COVENTRY HEALTH VISITING SERVICE**



The Coventry Health Visiting Service offers support to families that face challenges with toileting, behaviour, sleep, eating, and anxiety.

For information and support you can access:

- Facebook Search for Coventry Health Visiting Service
- **Chat Health Numbers** 
  - Text Messaging Service (Open 9am-4:30pm Mon-Fri) - 07507 329 114
  - Office number 024 7518 9190

## **KEY DATES 2022/2023**

Date	Year Group	Event
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> April 2023	Whole School	School Opens at 8:30am
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> May 2023	Whole School	School Closed for May Day Holiday
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> May 2023	Whole School	Coronation Picnic (info to follow)
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> May 2023	Whole School	School Closed for
		King's Coronation Celebrations
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> - 12 <sup>th</sup> May 2023	Year 6	SATS
Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> May – Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June 2023	Whole School	School Closed for Spring Bank Holiday & Half Term
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> June 2023	Whole School	School Opens at 8:30am
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> June 2023	Year 3	Arts Award Visit to the Herbert Gallery
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June 2023	Whole School	School Closed for Teacher Training Day
Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> June 2023	Whole School	School Opens at 8:30am
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> July 2023	Years 1 & 2	Day at the Beach
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> July 2023	Year 3	Lunt Roman Fort Trip
Friday 21st July 2023	Whole School	Break up for Summer Holidays at 3:20pm
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> & Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> July 2023	Whole School	School Closed for Teacher Training Days

## **EASTER EGG DECORATING WINNERS**



We held a hard-boiled egg decorating competition for our KS2 children today (Years 3,4,5 &6). The Winners were picked by our Head Boy and Head Girl and are:

1st Prize: Grace (4SO) 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize: McAuley (6PR) 3rd Prize: Baylei (5DL)

## **EASTER BONNET PARADE**



We also held an Easter Bonnet parade for our Early years and KS1 children this morning. And the winners are:

Nursery (Rabbits): Sumiv Nursery (Squirrels): Jesse Reception (Hedgehogs): Arash Reception (Foxes): Olgierd

Year 1: Kai (1JH) Year 1: David (1GC) Year 2: Edward (2TK) Year 2: Elijah (2LL)

# **SCHOOLGRID**



Don't forget to go online and order your child's school meals. You are able to order weekly,

monthly or each term (so long as there is credit on your account to do so, or you have a direct debit set up for the account) Please also remember that we are NOT a Halal kitchen, when making choices for your child.

## **MOBILE PHONE NUMBERS**



Would you please let the school office know of any changes to your mobile phone numbers please. So, we can keep your contact details up to date.

# SCHOOL REOPENS



School re-opens at 8:30am On Monday 17th April, 2023