

# Hillside News

*'Where children are at the heart of everything we do'*



**DATES TO REMEMBER**



**2<sup>nd</sup> July**

**Sports Morning and picnic**

**09:00 – 13:00**



## WEEKLY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

Little Owls 1	99%
Little Owls 2	81%
Tawny Owls 1	95%
Tawny Owls 2	91%
Tawny Owls 3	95%
Snowy Owls 1	93%
Snowy Owls 2	91%
Snowy Owls 3	90%

**Whole School 92%**

**Target**



**Gates open at 08:30**

**Gates close at 08:40**

**The school day begins at 08:40**

**School finishes at 15:00**

## **Headteacher Update Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2024**

As we conclude another half term full of fun and learning, we look forward to an exciting final term packed with events such as Sports Morning and picnic, transfer day, reports, the Year 4 Leavers' party and show, and much more!

In Monday's assembly, we celebrated ambition by highlighting the Queen's Park U12 ladies' team, who went unbeaten all season and were featured on Sky Sports [here](#) and ITV News [here](#). Building on the football theme, Mr. Purdy from Verplas and Verwood F.C. is organising a football tournament with all proceeds benefiting our school. Hopefully you will have seen the letter that came home this week.

This week, our "Hillside's Got Talent" celebration assembly showcased the amazing talents across our school. Congratulations to all the children chosen to represent their classes!



Our Summer Fayre on Friday was a tremendous success. Thank you to everyone who contributed. Please find further details below.

We really appreciated seeing so many of you for our Celebration of Achievement afternoon on Tuesday, I think we had our record number of visitors. I have included a few photos below.

Wishing all our children and families a wonderful half term. Your continued support, along with the dedication of our staff, the Local School Committee, and our volunteers, is greatly appreciated.

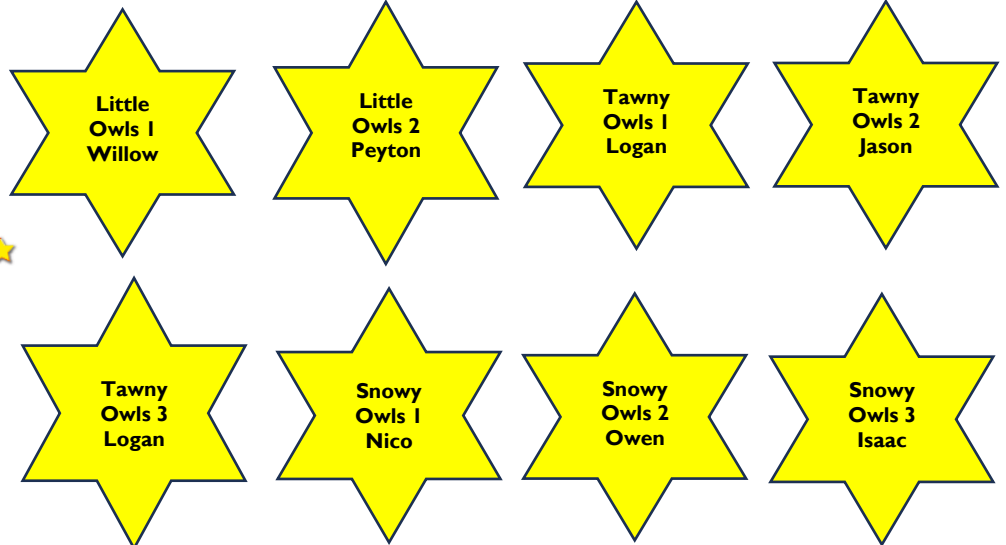
Healthy regards,

Mr. Graves

We look forward to welcoming you back to school on **Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June**.



# Congratulations to the following children for being our latest Stars of the Week:



Hot Chocolate FriYAY!



## Reading Around the World Challenge

Well done to all the children who have completed the Around the World Reading challenge. They have now started the mini challenge of reading pole to pole over the next 60 days.

A large number of children across the school have collected their postcards as they travel around the world and only have a few more reads to go! There is still the half term holiday and next half term to go so it is still possible to reach the end of the challenge and gain your certificate.

Thank you for your continued support in sharing books and encouraging your child to read.  
From Mrs Pain



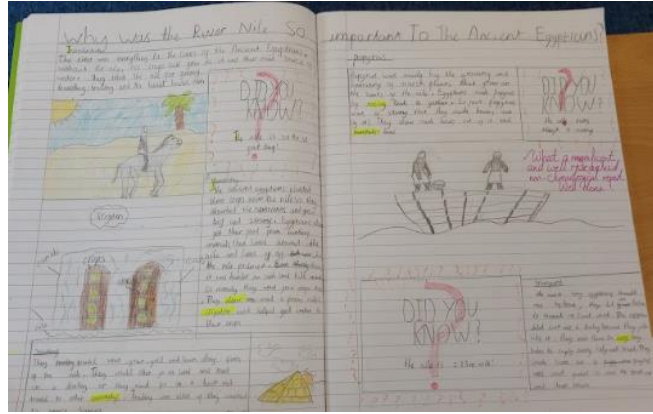
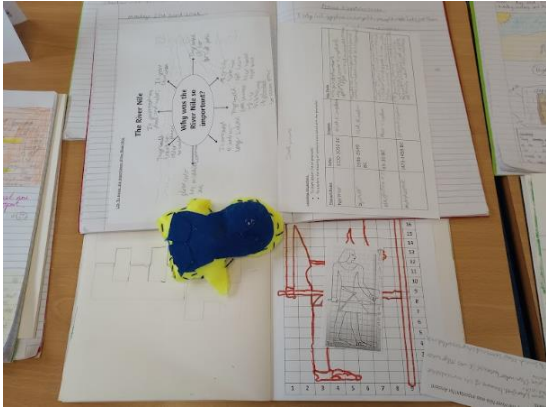


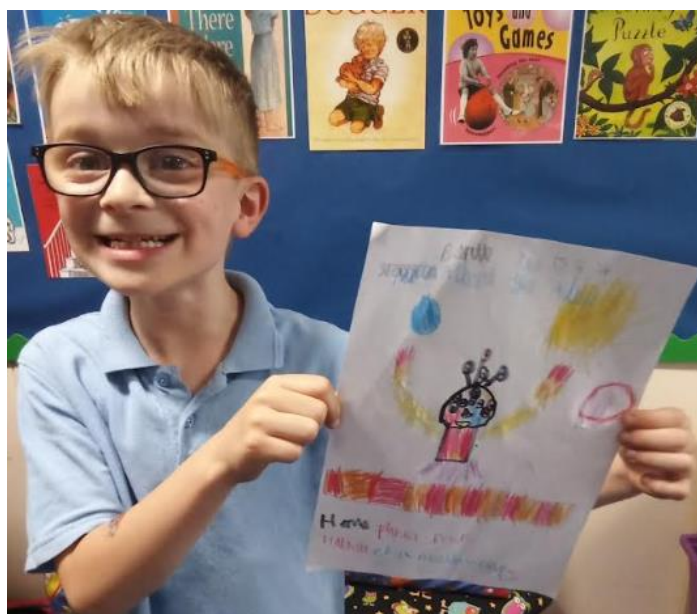
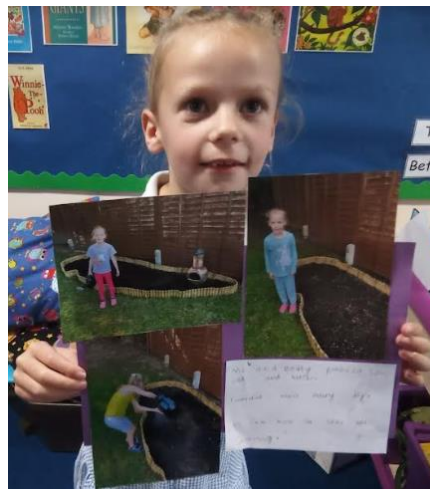
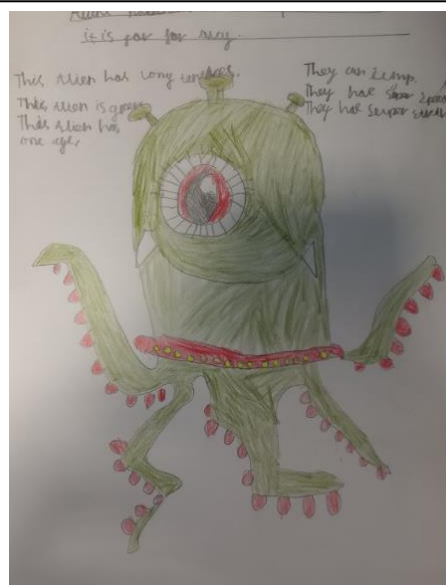
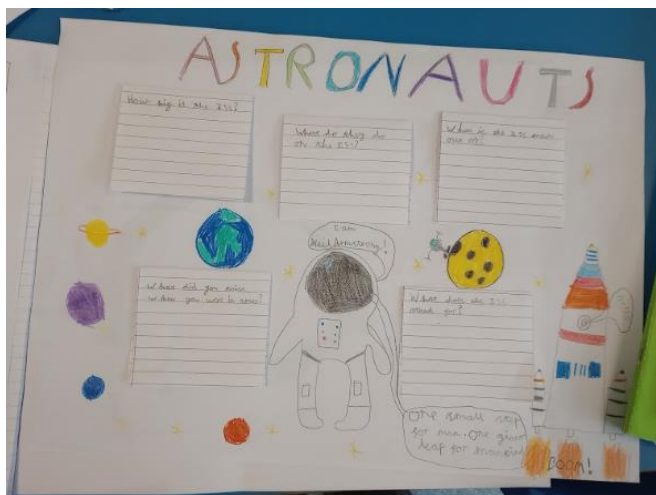
A HUGE thank you to everyone who supported our Summer Fayre! We had a fantastic turnout and we were very lucky with the weather. Special thanks to all the stall holders, parents, children, school staff, and of course our incredible PTA for organising everything and for all their hard work behind the scenes. We are thrilled to announce that we raised nearly £2,000, which is incredible.



# Celebration of Achievement Afternoon

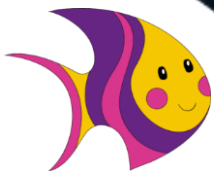
We had a great turn out after school on Tuesday and a huge thank you to everyone that was able to attend.







# Meet our heroes



Jessica and Hannah enjoy their swimming lessons at Ringwood.

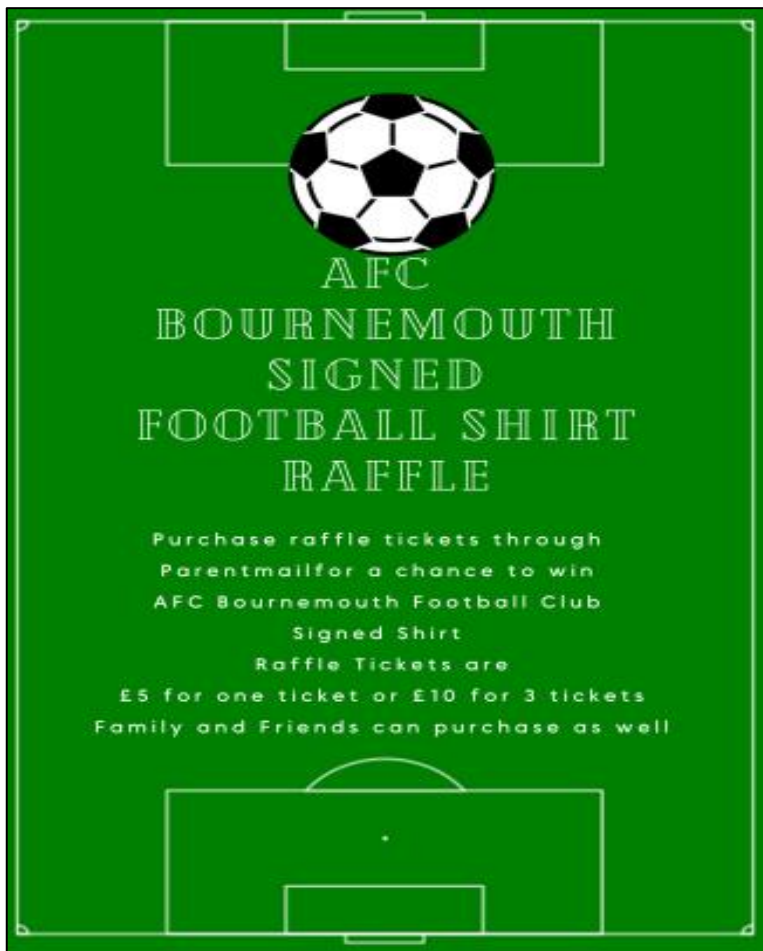



Jessica has reached Stage 2 and completed her 10m front crawl and backstroke awards.



Hannah has almost completed Stage 1 and received her 'I can swim' award.





  
**AFC  
BOURNEMOUTH  
SIGNED  
FOOTBALL SHIRT  
RAFFLE**

Purchase raffle tickets through  
 Parentmail for a chance to win  
 AFC Bournemouth Football Club  
 Signed Shirt  
 Raffle Tickets are  
 £5 for one ticket or £10 for 3 tickets  
 Family and Friends can purchase as well



**DISCO NIGHT**  
 14th June  
 3pm to 4.30pm - Yr R/1  
 5pm to 6.30pm - Yr 2/3/4  
 Tickets £3.50



Water is available and sweets will be handed  
 out at the end of the Disco  
 Please arrange the collection of your child  
 from the School Hall Please do not send your children  
 in with Sweets for H&S reasons  
 To run this event we do need volunteers,  
 please tick the box if you can help.



**THE GREAT VERWOOD  
GROW OFF**

- 3 great competitions to enter!
- Free seeds to get started!
- 3 x £20 Smyths voucher prizes!
- Trophies up for grabs!
- Open for 3 to 15 year olds

**GROW THE  
TALLEST  
SUNFLOWER**

**GROW THE  
*Prettiest*  
CALENDULA**

**GROW THE  
HEAVIEST  
PUMPKIN**

FREE seeds  
 available to  
 collect from  
 Verwood Library

Winners will be  
 announced at the  
 VDHS Autumn  
 Horticultural Show  
 on Saturday 14  
 September 2024

Visit [www.verwoodhorticulturalsociety.co.uk](http://www.verwoodhorticulturalsociety.co.uk) for more  
 information on how to enter and get **FREE** seeds!



# Summer term

# UPCOMING EVENTS



## May

**Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> - Friday 3<sup>rd</sup>**  
Year 4 Residential Trip  
to Hooke Court



**Monday 6<sup>th</sup>**

May Day Bank Holiday

**Friday 10<sup>th</sup>**

Mufti Day in exchange for tombola  
donations for our Summer Fayre

**Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup>**

Little Owls School Trip (*Blashford Lakes*)

**Friday 17<sup>th</sup>**

17:00 - 19:30  
Summer Fayre

Monday 27<sup>th</sup> to  
Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May  
Half Term



## June

**Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup>**  
World Environment Day

**Friday 7<sup>th</sup>**

PTA Event - Ice-Cream Sale  
*To be purchased in advance on ParentMail*

**Friday 14<sup>th</sup>**

PTA Event - School Disco

**Thursday 20<sup>th</sup>**

PTA Event - Ice-Cream Sale  
*To be purchased in advance on ParentMail*

**Friday 21<sup>st</sup>**

Inset Day

**Friday 28<sup>th</sup>**

PTA Event - Ice-Cream Sale  
*To be purchased in advance on ParentMail*



## July

**Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup>**  
Sports Day



**Friday 6<sup>th</sup>**

PTA Event - Ice-Cream Sale  
*To be purchased in advance on  
ParentMail*



**Friday 12<sup>th</sup>**

PTA Event - Ice-Cream Sale  
*To be purchased in advance on  
ParentMail*



**Friday 19<sup>th</sup>**

PTA Event - Ice-Cream Sale  
*To be purchased in advance on  
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**Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup>**  
Last day of term

  
SCHOOL'S OUT  
FOR SUMMER



# After School Clubs

Hillside First School are pleased to offer the following clubs:

## Monday

15:00-16:00 – Creative Dance (Year R-2)

16:00-17:00 – Creative Dance (Year 3-4)

## Tuesday

08:00-08:30 – Sports & Fitness Breakfast Club

12:00-12:30 – Sports & Fitness Lunch Club

15:00-16:00 – After School Football Club

## Thursday

15:00-16:00 – Forest School (Year R-4).

## Friday

Lessons in school – Rocksteady



**DORSET CREATIVE DANCE**

HILLSIDE FIRST SCHOOL  
AFTER SCHOOL DANCE CLUB

Fun and creative dance classes for children attending Hillside First School  
Password for booking: Hillside2024!!

Bookings now open through our website!

Mondays 3pm Reception, Years 1 & 2

Mondays 4pm Years 3 & 4

e: [info@dorsetcreativdance.co.uk](mailto:info@dorsetcreativdance.co.uk) t: 07759 949 478  
[www.dorsetcreativdance.co.uk](http://www.dorsetcreativdance.co.uk)

Poole Forest School After School Club at Hillside  
Thursday 11th January - Thursday 21st March

Tools, shelter building, bushcraft, natural crafts, campfire cooking and much more. Ofsted registered for ages 5-11. Accept childcare vouchers.

est. 2019

**FOREST SCHOOL**  
POOLE

BOOK ONLINE  
<https://forms.gle/VRb1265DTXSvk8y5>  
[www.pooleforestschoo.com](http://www.pooleforestschoo.com)  
[marina@pooleforestschoo.com](mailto:marina@pooleforestschoo.com)

# Hillside Pre-School & Early Learning Group



## WE ARE TAKING BOOKINGS FOR SEPTEMBER 2024

Hillside Pre-School is open term time, Monday - Friday and accepts children with both 15 and 30 hour funding. We have a Breakfast Club running from 7:45am, and After School Club running from 3pm, for both Hillside First and Pre-School children.

To book a tour of our wonderful setting, contact Mrs Ford on:  
**01202 820 679**

Email: [office@hillsidepreschool.org](mailto:office@hillsidepreschool.org)

or visit: [www.hillsidepreschool.org](http://www.hillsidepreschool.org)

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