

Hillside News

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



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DATES TO
REMEMBER



2nd July

Sports Morning
and picnic

09:00 – 13:00



Headteacher Update Friday 7th June 2024

Welcome back! I hope you all had a wonderful half-term break and are ready for an exciting final half term of the academic year.

Class Structure and Transition Dates

Hopefully, you will have received a letter via Parentmail this week regarding the class structure for the upcoming academic year and our planned transition dates. We place great importance on a smooth transition for our children and have scheduled two extra sessions in addition to the official transfer day. These sessions will help the children become familiar with their new classrooms, ensuring they can hit the ground running in September.

Little Owls Transport Topic Launch

Our Little Owls had a fantastic time during their Transport Topic launch day. They brought scooters and bikes from home, enjoyed following a mapped-out road, and even got to clean their bikes and scooters. It was a fun and educational experience for all.

Dorset Council Pollution Project

We are excited to be part of a Dorset Council project that monitors pollution levels in the local area. This project aims to determine if and where vehicle emissions are impacting heathland sites within 200 metres of certain roads. We have set up two monitoring areas within our school grounds to contribute valuable data to this study.

Eco Poster Competition Winners

Congratulations to our Eco Poster competition winners! Judged by our Eco Warriors, the winning entries will be displayed around the local area. Each child with a winning entry will receive a special certificate in recognition of their creative efforts.

Remembering Rob Burrow

It was with great sadness that I learned of Rob Burrow's passing this week. As a long-time fan of both Rugby Union and League, I had the privilege of watching Rob play many times. His courageous battle with Motor Neuron Disease has been inspirational. If you have time I highly recommend watching this BBC documentary about his life and legacy: [There's Only One Rob Burrow](#).

80th Anniversary of D-Day

Yesterday marked the 80th anniversary of D-Day, a pivotal event in World War II. Our children have been learning about this significant moment in history, and we've commemorated this special occasion in school and also with a mark of respect within the local community. Please find further details below.

Thank you for your continued support.

Healthy regards, Mr. Graves

WEEKLY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

Little Owls 1	96%
Little Owls 2	81%
Tawny Owls 1	82%
Tawny Owls 2	94%
Tawny Owls 3	93%
Snowy Owls 1	96%
Snowy Owls 2	87%
Snowy Owls 3	91%

Whole School 90%

Target



Gates open at 08:30

Gates close at 08:40

The school day begins
at 08:40

School finishes at 15:00

The Red Arrows flew
over our school this week,
it was very exciting!



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



Hot Chocolate FriYAY!



A massive thanks to Mr Purdy and Verplas for donating two football goals to the school which the children are making full use of at play and lunch times.

D-Day 80th Anniversary - We Will Remember

Yesterday, we paid our respects with Mr. Graves and some of our older children from the School Parliament, representing our school and community, by visiting Verwood's Memorial Site to meet the Mayor, Cllr Revd. Julian Macro. The children wrote heartfelt messages on the poster wreath, which we placed at the memorial site before sharing a moment of reflection.

We honour and remember the brave souls who gave everything for freedom, many making the ultimate sacrifice. Their courage and resilience continue to inspire us all.



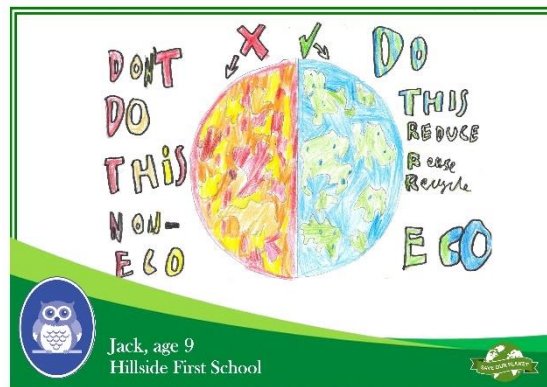
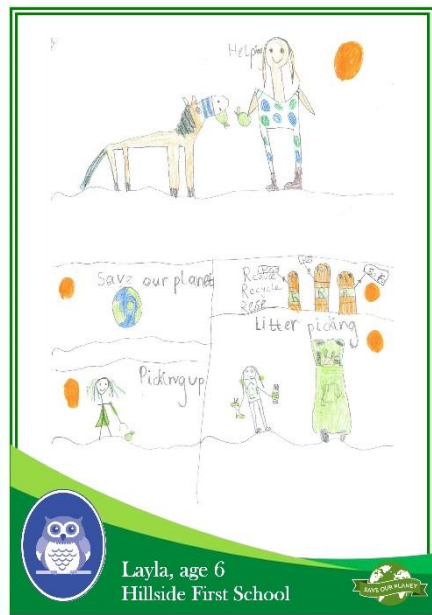
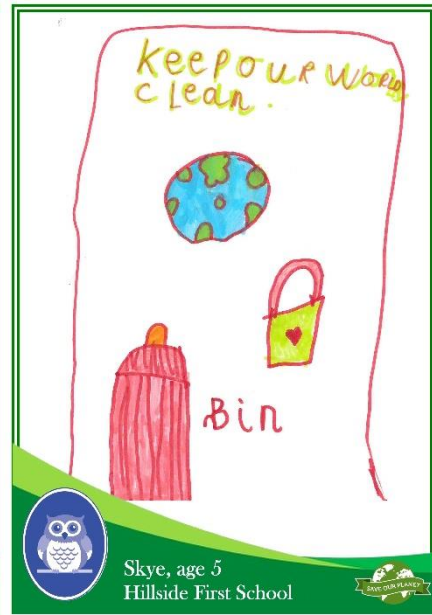
Transport Topic Launch Day in Little Owls





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Meet our heroes



Eira has very proudly earned her latest swimming badges.



Bella started swimming lessons 10 weeks ago and within that time has moved up a group and also been awarded her 25 metre badge, 10 metre backstroke and 5 metre front crawl.

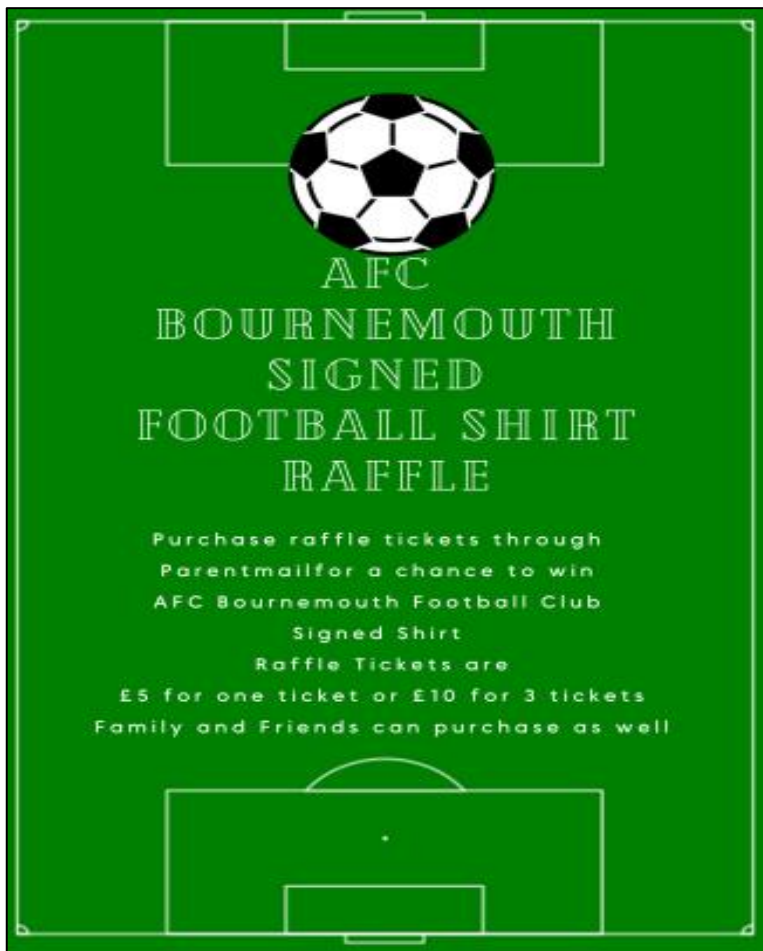



Well done Eira!



Mum and Dad are so incredibly proud of her.






**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 for more
 information on how to enter and get **FREE** seeds!



Summer term



May

Wednesday 1st - Friday 3rd
Year 4 Residential Trip
to Hooke Court



Monday 6th

May Day Bank Holiday

Friday 10th

Mufti Day in exchange for tombola
donations for our Summer Fayre

Wednesday 15th

Little Owls School Trip (*Blashford Lakes*)

Friday 17th

17:00 - 19:30
Summer Fayre

Monday 27th to
Friday 31st May

Half Term



June

Wednesday 5th

World Environment Day

Friday 7th

PTA Event - Ice-Cream Sale

To be purchased in advance on ParentMail

Friday 14th

PTA Event - School Disco

Thursday 20th

PTA Event - Ice-Cream Sale

To be purchased in advance on ParentMail

Friday 21st

Inset Day

Friday 28th

PTA Event - Ice-Cream Sale

To be purchased in advance on ParentMail

Friday 28th

Transfer Day

UPCOMING EVENTS



July

Tuesday 2nd
Sports Day



Friday 6th

PTA Event - Ice-Cream Sale

*To be purchased in advance on
ParentMail*



Friday 12th

PTA Event - Ice-Cream Sale

*To be purchased in advance on
ParentMail*



Friday 12th

14:00 - 15:00

PTA Event - Children's Bingo



Thursday 18th

17:00 - 19:00

Year 4 Leavers Party



Friday 19th

14:00

Year 4 Leavers Assembly

Friday 19th

PTA Event - Ice-Cream Sale

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Tuesday 23rd

Last day of term



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@dorsetcreativedance.co.uk t: 07759 949 478
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A photograph of a young girl with blonde hair, wearing a pink t-shirt and black pants, smiling and holding two long, colorful ribbons (one blue/purple, one orange/red).

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.

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FOREST SCHOOL
POOLE

BOOK ONLINE
<https://forms.gle/VRb1265DTXSsvk8y5>
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A stylized logo for Forest School, featuring a green tree-like shape made of brushstrokes on a dark grey background with leaf patterns.

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:
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or visit: www.hillsidepreschool.org

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