



Hillside News

Friday 10th March 2023

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Headteacher Update

We've had an unwelcome return of the cold and wet weather this week but this hasn't stopped our children being awesome! I managed to get a couple of photos of the snow coverage, but not very impressive compared to other parts of the country:



Move in March is in full flow and the children are enjoying their daily activities and finding out more about the importance of living healthy and active lifestyles. Thanks to Mrs Davis, our P.E. leader for organising everything. Please continue to **send through any photos, videos, medals and/or certificates**. Yesterday, we had a **Netball taster session**, which due to the rain, had to be inside but this didn't stop all the children participating and having fun whilst learning more about the sport of netball.

I have been impressed with the children's learning and attitudes in class this week as well as their love for learning. I've seen:

- **Reception** enjoying the story **We're Going on a Bear Hunt** and going on their own bear hunt!
- **Year 1 and 2** have been learning lots of facts about **Mary Seacole** and the value of numbers in maths.
- **Year 3 and 4** have been planning **information leaflets** linked to the **Tin Forest** story, planned and started their **plant experiments** as well as creating **leaf prints** from clay.

Next week we have **Science week** and the children will be completing some extra activities in class. On Tuesday it is **International Day of Mathematics**, and the children have a home learning activity (on Google Classroom) with prizes available. It's all very exciting!

We've started to think about how we can celebrate the **King's Coronation** as a whole school community and we will do this on **Friday 5th May**. We would like to invite parents / carers in as well to celebrate in the afternoon so please keep this date free if you can. Further details to follow when we have organised everything.

Wishing everyone a great weekend.

Healthy regards,

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

Upcoming Events / Key Dates

Please find details of events for the Spring Term below.

WEEKLY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

Little Owls – 90.3%
Tawny Owls 1 – 96.7%
Tawny Owls 2 – 95.9%
Tawny Owls 3 – 91.1%
Snowy Owls 1 – 95.3%
Snowy Owls 2 – 94.5%
Snowy Owls 3 – 93.3%

Whole School 93.9%

Target



The school day begins at
08:40

Gates open at **08:30**

School finishes at **15:00**

Red Nose Day Friday 17th March

Mufti Day with a suggested donation of £1.

Further details on how to purchase a red nose from the school office to follow soon.



Stars of the Week

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



Our **Stars of the Week**!



Netball Taster Session!





Spring term



UPCOMING EVENTS

January

HAPPY ★ NEW ★ YEAR

Tuesday 3rd
INSET Day

Monday 23rd
National Handwriting Day



February

Tuesday 7th
Safer Internet Day

Tuesday 7th
Celebration of
Achievement Afternoon

Monday 13th - Friday 17th
Half Term

be
kind
Random Act of
Kindness Day

Monday 20th
INSET day

Monday 27th
Parent Consultations



March

Wednesday 1st
Parent Consultations



Thursday 2nd
World Book Day
Dress up as a character
from one of your favourite books

Friday 3rd
Mufti (£1 donation)
School Discos

Friday 10th - Sunday 19th
British Science Week

Tuesday 14th
International Day of Mathematics

Friday 17th
Comic Relief

RED
NOSE
DAY

Tuesday 21st
World Poetry Day

Wednesday 22nd
Sponsored Bounce



April

Monday 3rd - Friday 14th
Easter
Holidays



Monday 17th
Children return to school

Friday 21st
19:30-22:00



Bingo Night

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Clubs

Rippa Rugby (Year 1-4) <https://www.ripparugby.co.uk/>

Rippa Rugby is continuing during the second half of the Spring Term. Please use the link above to book a space.



TO BOOK YOUR SPACE
VISIT [RIPPARUGBY.CO.UK](https://www.ripparugby.co.uk/)



TAG, TOUCH & CONTACT RUGBY COACHING & GAMES

ONLY £5 PER CHILD*

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For children ages 4-13 years old.



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COACHING CONSULTANCY AVAILABLE

WHAT IS RIPPA RUGBY?
It's Tag, Touch and contact based Rugby games designed with the objective to develop skills such as catching, passing, invasion, evasion, spatial awareness and decision making. Rippa Rugby develops communication skills and improves overall fitness levels. Above all it's great fun. Our aim to make our sessions the most rewarding activity your child will participate in all week.

WHO IS IT FOR?
It is for school children (both boys and girls) aged between 4 and 13 years old during the following times:
• During and after school/pre-school
• School holidays
• Rugby themed birthday parties

HOW MUCH DOES IT COST?
It's only £5 per session per child per hour (school subsidy may apply). Visit our website for more information.

COACHING CONSULTANCY
We also offer a coaching consultancy for teaching staff and developing coaches at competitive rates.
Provision of coaching services at Rugby themed parties.
All our coaches are DBS Cleared, First Aid trained and RFU Level 2 Experienced Age Group Coaches.

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Tennis Club is running again from 17th April, but this time for Year 1 and 2. Further details and how to book available here:

<https://www.live4tennis.co.uk/service-page/mon-3-4pm-hillside-first-apr-jul-23>

Mon 3-4pm Hillside First (Apr-Jul 23)

Hillside first school years 1 & 2 only
11 sessions 3-4pm
Starting 17th April 2023
Rackets available

Starts 17 Apr

£50

Hillside Community First School