



Hillside News

Friday 21st April 2023

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Headteacher Update

Welcome back and I hope all our families had a lovely Easter period.

It was great to welcome the children back to school on Monday and see all their smiley faces. We've certainly hit the ground running and they were straight back into their learning.

During the holiday we had some works completed across the school including a new carpet in the reception base, painting of the barriers outside the Year 1 / 2 classrooms, cutting back some of the tress and bushes in the Reception Forest School area and some bamboo fencing (paid for by the PTA) put up partway along the top of the field. We are continuing our work clearing back the area in preparation for our outside learning environment. I have included some photos below.

Yesterday we took delivery of 8 birch trees which the Eco Warriors helped plant and a huge thank you to Certainly Wood (<https://www.certainlywood.co.uk/>) for donating these to us as part of their 'Trees for Life' scheme.



We held the Year 2 Parent/Carers SATs information session online yesterday and have sent a copy of the slides via ParentMail. Please speak to your class teacher if you have any questions.

We have finalised our plans for the King's Coronation, and I will share these with you next week. This will include a picnic on the field on Friday 5th May from 14:00 – 15:00 which all our families are invited to.

I look forward to seeing some of you at the PTA Bingo night later and I wish everyone a wonderful weekend.

Healthy regards,

Mr Graves

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

WEEKLY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

Little Owls – 99.1%
Tawny Owls 1 – 95.8%
Tawny Owls 2 – 99.1%
Tawny Owls 3 – 94.6%
Snowy Owls 1 – 95.8%
Snowy Owls 2 – 95.3%
Snowy Owls 3 – 95%

Whole School 96.4% 😊

Target



The school day begins at
08:40

Gates open at 08:30
School finishes at 15:00

Can you help please?

Does anyone have a 'Root Slayer' (photo below) that they could lend me please? I would like to clear out some roots in order to extend an outside play area for the children.

Alternatively, if you are skilled at removing roots (relatively small) and can help, then please let me know!



Some photos from the developments during the Easter holidays





Hillside First School Summer Fayre Friday 9th June



1. Raffle prize donations.
2. Would your work or business be able to sponsor a stall or a game?
3. Do you or your friends or family live on a main road in the village?
Would you be happy to advertise our Summer Fayre on an estate agent sign in your front garden?

**If you can help support our Summer Fayre, please contact
Tracy from our PTA or the school office.**



Thank you for your continued support.

Summer term



May

Monday 1st
May Day Bank Holiday

Friday 5th
Mufti Day in exchange for tombola
donations for our Summer Fayre



Wear red, white and blue for
the King's Coronation.

Monday 8th
King's Coronation Bank Holiday

Friday 26th
Break the rules day



June

Monday 5th
Inset Day



Friday 9th
17:00-19:30
Summer Fayre



Friday 16th
Start of Ice-Cream Fridays

UPCOMING EVENTS



July

Friday 7th
Transfer Day

Monday 10th - Wednesday 12th
Year 4 Residential Trip
to Hooke Court



Dates to be confirmed
Sports Day
Year 4 Leavers Assembly
Year 4 Leavers Party

Friday 21st
Last day of term



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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.


OUR PHILOSOPHY
To develop the RFU 'Five C's' within a child in line with National Curriculum standards which includes:
• Competence and skill development
• Confidence to take part in sport and games
• Connection with other children to develop strong friendships
• Creativity to try something different and not be afraid of making mistakes
• Caring character and encouraged to support and look after each other

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 and open to children in Year 1-4. Further details and how to book available here:

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



Log In

HOME ABOUT TERM TIME COACHING HOLIDAY TENNIS More

This course has started, but you can book the remaining sessions.

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

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

Started 17 Apr	£50	Hillside Community First School
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Available spots

BOOK NOW

Upcoming Sessions

Dates: 17 Apr 2023 - 17 Jul 2023
Total of 10 sessions