



#### **Headteacher Update**

What a great week! I think we have managed to pack 5 days' worth into 4!

Our Reception children have been learning and enjoying their various activities during this half term's 'Growing' topic. This has involved making garden show boxes, creating symmetrical butterflies, utilising the outside area, studying the 'live' caterpillars and journaling their observations in a diary.

Year I and 2 have been analysing how their plants are growing following their seed planting. They have also been sequencing a traditional tale, Jack and the Beanstalk and then planning their own version following the same story structure.

Year 3 and 4 have been continuing their work on time during their maths lessons and learning about mountains and created their own contour model. In addition, they had their first Ukulele lesson which they thoroughly enjoyed.

On Wednesday we had over 15 volunteers from LV= come in to help clear out our garden area and paint the PTA shed. We are so grateful to Mrs Purdy for organising this event as well as sourcing a number of plants and a brandnew Hillside First School mud kitchen. A very big thank you to Mrs Michalski, Mrs Morrell and all the volunteers at LV for all their hard work. Please see the results below.

This morning we were delighted to welcome our Mayor Cllr Simon Gibson and Michael Eaton from St Michael's Church to our Coronation assembly. The children shared facts that they had researched about the coronation, King Charles III's early life, family, education, military service, charity and environmental work. The winners of the King Charles III portrait competition were announced and everyone that took part received a certificate. The whole school also stood to sing the National Anthem. We were then lucky enough with the weather to host our picnic on the field in the afternoon which was a wonderful experience and great to see so many of you in attendance, thanks for the support.

Finally, have a great Coronation Bank holiday weekend.

Healthy regards,

Mr Graves

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

#### Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May 2023

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#### Date for your diary:

**Sports Day** 

Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> June AM Further details to follow closer to the time.



# WEEKLY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

Little Owls – 96.4% Tawny Owls I – 85.8%

**Tawny Owls 2 – 96.1%** 

Tawny Owls 3 – 97.3%

**Snowy Owls 1 – 94.2% Snowy Owls 2 – 94%** 

Snowy Owls 3 – 90.8%

Whole School 93.4%

**Target** 



The school day begins at 08:40

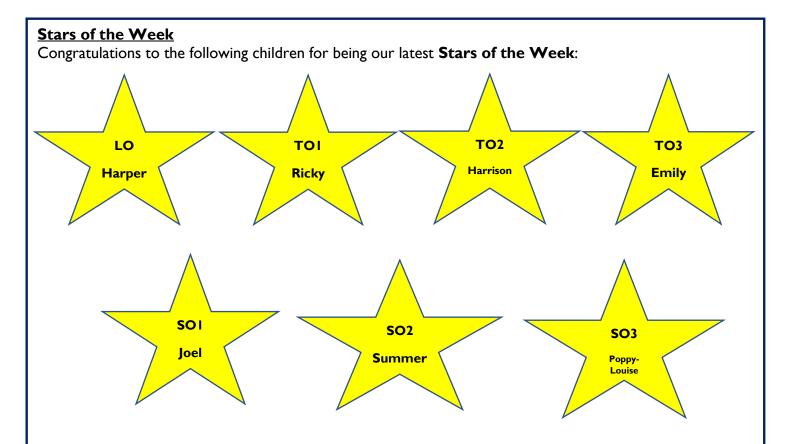
Gates open at 08:30 School finishes at 15:00





#### Fact!

Westminster Abbey has been the setting for every Coronation since 1066.



Our **Stars of the Week** enjoying Hot Chocolate Friday!



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### **Competition Time**



Thanks for all the entries into the Hillside First School's King Charles III portrait competition.

After some careful judging from our Prime Minister Oliver, Deputy Prime Minister Kieran and Chairperson Lyla they agreed on a top 3:



2<sup>nd</sup> Jack H from Tawny Owls 3

3<sup>rd</sup> Tessa from Little Owls and Charlotte from Snowy Owls I

Thanks for all the entries, everyone received a certificate for taking part. Please see some of the entries below.



#### Millie's entry



Jack's entry



Tessa's entry



**Charlotte's entry** 



















Some before, during and after photos from our LV volunteers.



























**Snowy Owls 2 Ukulele** 









# SEN parent carer group Coffee Morning



Friday Morning 10-12

Verwood Youth and Community Centre on the Emmanuel

School site

A safe place to relax with others who understand.

Come for a coffee, chat and support

For more infomation speak with Louise or Emma

07944916634 or 07749629089





## **UPCOMING** EVENTS where at the heart of everything. May Monday 1st May Day Bank Holiday **July** Friday 5<sup>th</sup> Mufti Day in exchange for tombola donations for our Summer Fayre Transfer Day Wear red, white and blue for **June** the King's Coronation. Monday 8th Monday 5th King's Coronation Bank Holiday Inset Day Friday 12th Little Owls School trip to Blashford Lakes Tuesday 23rd KS2 Orienteering morning Friday 9th Friday 26th

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

Friday 7th

Year 4 Leavers Assembly

Wednesday 19th Year 4 Leavers Party

Friday 21st Last day of term



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17:00-19:30

Summer Fayre

Friday 16th

Ice-Cream Friday Our PTA will be selling ice-creams every Friday until the end of term

> Wednesday 28th Sports Day

Break the rules day

DUNT BREAK

THE RULES

Monday 29th

Verwood Carnival

Monday 29th May to Friday 2nd June

Half Term

#### **Clubs**

Rippa Rugby (Year I-4) https://www.ripparugby.co.uk/

Rippa Rugby is continuing during the Summer Term. Please use the link above to book a space.



#### **Tennis Club**

