



# Hillside News

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July 2023

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## Headteacher Update

It has been an exciting week across the school. Year R have linked their writing to Mr Gumpy's Motor Car and there was a lot of excitement when they went for a ride in his car! This then inspired their sentence level work. Year 1 / 2 have been on a traffic survey to count the number of different vehicles on Ringwood Road. Year 3 / 4 had their final Ukulele lesson and performed their outcome piece which can be viewed on their Google Classroom page. Our Year 4 children have started preparations for their Leaver's Assembly which is taking place on Tuesday 2 - 3pm.

We have our Transfer Day on Monday for children across the school. Please can children go straight to their new classroom at the start of the day and be picked up from here at the end of the day as well. Please feel free to pop into your child's new classroom and say hello to their class teacher.

At this time of the year we are now completing a review of the academic year and finalising our priorities for the next academic year. I will write to you at the start of the next academic year to share further details about these.

Wishing you all a super weekend.

Healthy regards,

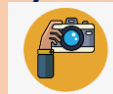
Mr Graves

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



Some children from Year 1 and 2 taking part in their traffic survey

## Whole School Photo Friday 14th July



Please can all children wear their school uniform (even if this is their scheduled P.E. day) and bring their jumper or cardigan.

## WEEKLY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

Little Owls – 94.4%  
Tawny Owls 1 – 94%  
Tawny Owls 2 – 92%  
Tawny Owls 3 – 99.3%  
Snowy Owls 1 – 98%  
Snowy Owls 2 – 95.4%  
Snowy Owls 3 – 91%

Whole School 95%

Target



The school day begins at  
08:40

Gates open at 08:30

School finishes at 15:00

Thank you for the extra donations for  
our Food bank.

This is open

07:45 – 17:45 Monday to Friday.



## **Stars of the Week**

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



Our **Stars of the Week**!





## **Creative Club**

This week we took the children outside to create some Andy Goldsworthy inspired art work.

*Andy Goldsworthy is a British artist, photographer and environmentalist. He's known for his use of natural materials and exploring themes like the passing of time.*

*Throughout his life, he's made artwork and sculptures from natural resources. He's won several awards and is a prominent figure in the world of environmental art. Goldsworthy lives in Penpont, Scotland, and continues to make land art sculptures in the UK and other areas of the world.*

### **Here are their creations:**







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**ONLY £25 PER DAY**

**SUMMER BREAK 3-BALL CAMPS**  
**FOOTBALL, RUGBY AND DODGEBALL**

Join us for our Summer 3-Ball Camps from 9am through to 4pm at the following venues and dates...

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| <b>Parley First School</b><br>Glenmoor Road, West Parley, BH22 8QE<br>Tuesday 25th July 2023<br>Tuesday 1st August 2023<br>Tuesday 8th August 2023<br>Tuesday 15th August 2023<br>Tuesday 22nd August 2023 | <b>Highcliffe St Mark Primary</b><br>Greenways, Highcliffe, Christchurch, BH23 5AZ<br>Thursday 27th July 2023<br>Thursday 3rd August 2023<br>Thursday 10th August 2023<br>Thursday 17th August 2023<br>Thursday 24th August 2023 |
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**Open to boys and girls from school years 1 through to 7**

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**Available during the next academic year, during and after the school day:**

# PIANO/KEYBOARD LESSONS

LESSONS FOR YOUR CHILD



**Kate Hawker**  
PIANO TEACHER

**Would you like to learn how to play the piano or keyboard?**

- With an expert knowledge of music both practical and theory.
- Able to tailor lessons to meet students' diverse needs as well as being engaging and fun.
- Play for pleasure or follow graded examinations (ABRSM)



**Music Teacher for  
36 years in Dorset Schools  
Student Mentor  
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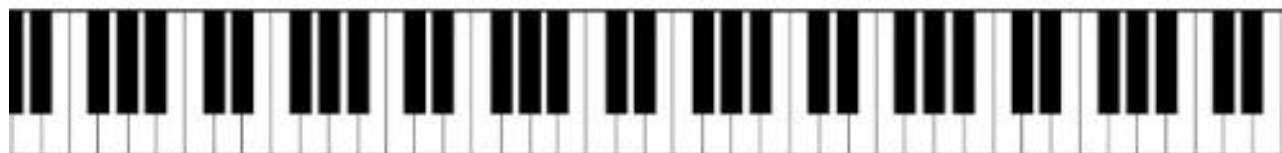
## The benefits of playing piano

Music lessons can help develop your child's reading and mathematical skills.

Research shows it also develops their concentration, listening, creativity and increases confidence and self-esteem.

For more information contact Kate Hawker -

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# Summer term



## May

**Monday 1<sup>st</sup>**  
May Day Bank Holiday

**Friday 5<sup>th</sup>**  
Mufti Day in exchange for tombola  
donations for our Summer Fayre



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

**Monday 8<sup>th</sup>**  
King's Coronation Bank Holiday

**Friday 12<sup>th</sup>**  
Little Owls School trip  
to Blashford Lakes

**Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup>**  
KS2 Orienteering morning

**Friday 26<sup>th</sup>**  
Break the rules day



**Monday 29<sup>th</sup>**  
Verwood Carnival

**Monday 29<sup>th</sup> May  
to Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> June**  
Half Term



## June

**Monday 5<sup>th</sup>**  
Inset Day



**Friday 9<sup>th</sup>**  
**17:00-19:30**  
Summer Fayre



**Friday 16<sup>th</sup>**  
Ice-Cream Friday  
Our PTA will be selling ice-creams  
every Friday until the end of term

**Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup>**  
Sports Day



**Friday 30<sup>th</sup>**  
KS2 Trip to  
Moors Valley



## July

**Monday 10<sup>th</sup>**  
Transfer Day

**Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup>**  
Year 4 Leaver's Assembly  
14:00-15:00

**Thursday 13<sup>th</sup>**  
Year 4 Leavers Party

**Friday 14<sup>th</sup>**  
Whole School Photo

**Monday 17<sup>th</sup> - Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup>**  
Year 4 Residential Trip  
to Hooke Court



**Friday 21<sup>st</sup>**  
Last day of term



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