

HILLSIDE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Welcome to our May Newsletter.

The first half of our summer term has been a busy one with many children taking part in SAT exams. Everyone has worked extremely hard and we are very proud of our children.

I hope that this newsletter provides you with valuable information and news about the life of our school. Please don't hesitate to contact us if you have any concerns or queries.

The remainder of the term is going to be extremely busy. We have listed dates overleaf. Please note these in your diaries. Don't forget that they are also on the school app and website.

Mrs K Schonau

Sports Day—Please note that we have a change to our usual arrangements for Sports Day. Full details attached.

Diva Concert

A huge congratulations to Hillside's Choir and Signing Choir who performed in the 'Diva Concert' at the Mitchell Arts Centre.



The Choir performed lots of songs and they each sang their hearts out, had lots of fun and were fantastic. Thank you for giving your time and making the concert a success. Thank you also to their parents for their support.

The signing choir is newly formed and have had only 4 practice sessions. They performed 'This is me' and were absolutely amazing. Thank you also to Mrs Smith for volunteering to teach the choir. They couldn't do it without you!

Thank you to the children and to their parents for supporting the concert.

Reading Rocket

Just a reminder that the 'Reading Rocket' will continue to run until Sunday 27th May, 2018 for this half term. The children's reading diaries will be checked on Monday 4th June so please ensure they are signed and up to date.



Football

Our Year 3/4 football players have been taking part in a competition against different schools over the past couple of weeks. They've shown great determination to gain some superb victories with some superb goals! With the final fixture date this week where will they finish?



Hockey

Well done to all of our Years 3, 4 & 5 Hockey teams that competed in the tournaments this week.



Important—Data Protection information

The new General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR) come into force on 25th May 2018. As a school we have reviewed many of our policies and procedures. After half term you will be receiving a new Photography and Videos at School Consent Form. It is essential that this is completed and returned to school asap. This will cover the remaining half term and the next academic year.

As a result of the new regulations we have to ensure that parents wishes are adhered to. This will affect events such as sports day, concerts, assemblies etc where you **must not** take photos or videos which may include anyone else other than your own children/children.

Diary Dates—Here are reminders about forthcoming events:

JUNE

Mon 4th	School re-opens
Mon 4th	Y6 - 4 night residential visit—Stanley Head OEC
Mon 4th	Y1 visit to Ford Green Hall
Mon 4th	Y6 parents meeting ref Summer Ball 7pm
Mon 4th	PTFA Meeting ref Summer Fayre—7.30pm—everyone welcome
Tues 5th	Y5 Showcase 2pm
Tues 12th	Hanley Town Athletics—Northwood Stadium
Wed 13th	Reception Class trip—Imagine That, Liverpool
Thurs 14th	Sports Day—KS2 at 9.30am then FS/KS1 at 1.30pm— <i>full details attached</i>
Fri 15th	Nursery Father's Day Lunch 11.25am— <i>details to follow</i>
Mon 18th	Y1 Showcase 2pm
Tues 19th	New Reception Class meeting for parents 3.20pm
Wed 20th	Y4 perform at Music Share Concert, Lichfield Cathedral
Wed 20th	Reception Class Showcase 2pm
Thurs 21st	'My Masterpiece' School Art Exhibition—2pm Main Hall
Mon 25th	Y3 Showcase 2pm
Tues 26th	Y4 visit to Coombes Valley Nature Reserve
Tues 26th	Y6 Awards Ceremony 6pm
Wed 27th	Birches Head Academy Y6 Transition Day 1 of 2
Thurs 28th	Y4 Showcase 2pm
Fri 29th	Non-uniform Day ' <i>Bring-a-bottle</i> '



JULY

Mon 2nd	Y2 visit to Llandudno
Mon 2nd	Y6 visit to Manchester Museum of Science & Industry
Mon 2nd	Nursery Class Showcase 2pm
Mon 2nd	Singing Stars Concert at Mitchell Arts Centre 6-8pm— <i>letter to follow</i>
Tues 3rd	Y5 visit to the National Space Centre, Leicester
Tues 3rd	Y2 Showcase 2pm
Fri 6th	Non-uniform Day— <i>Chocolate/Cake donations</i>
Fri 6th	Summer Fayre 3.30pm
Mon 9th	Whole School Move-up Week— <i>details to follow</i>
Mon 9th	Endon High School—Y6 Transition Day
Thurs 12th	Excel Academy—Y6 Transition Day
Thurs 12th	Haywood Academy—Y6 Transition Day
Thurs 12th	Birches Head Academy Y6 Transition Day 2 of 2
Wed 18th	Y3 visit to Gladstone Pottery Museum
Thurs 19th	Y6 Summer Ball— <i>details to follow</i>
Thurs 19th	School Disco— <i>details to follow</i>
Fri 20th	Y6 Leavers Assembly
Fri 20th	School closes at 3.15pm for Summer break

Full details for specific events are provided in a separate letter.

Occasionally dates/times may need to be changed so please keep an eye on the newsletters and other correspondence from the school.

COMMUNICATION:

- These diary dates are sent out monthly on the **newsletter**—please transfer them into your diaries.
- Prior to each event a **letter** will be sent with further details.
- All events are included in the **App calendar**.
- All events are included on the **website calendar**—you can download this from the calendar page www.hillsideprimary.org.uk



Please note that we have a change to our usual arrangements for Sports Day. This year the Key Stage 2 Sports Day will take place during the morning and the Foundation Stage/Key Stage 1 Sports Day will take place during the afternoon. This is changed from the information on the April Newsletter so please ensure that you make a note of the change.

KEY STAGE 2 will be held on Thursday morning, 14th June 2018 from 9.30-11.30am

FOUNDATION STAGE & KEY STAGE 1 will be held on Thursday afternoon, 14th June 2018 from 1.30-3.15pm
(the gates will not open until 1.20pm)

You may wish to bring your own chairs as we will be unable to provide any for you. Drinks will be available to purchase thanks to the support of members of our PTFA.

In the case of bad weather / unsafe ground condition or any other reason for cancellation a text message will be sent, to the primary mobile telephone contact number you have provided, plus we will also publish this on the school app. **Please do not telephone the school.**

The children will need to wear their indoor PE kit. As a reminder this is his/her maroon t-shirt with Hillside lettering, black coloured shorts and trainers or pumps. If it is a little chilly the children will wear their school jumper/cardigan (FS/KS1) or school hoody (KS2) over their PE kit.

All children will need to bring:

- ⇒ sun hat and sun cream (if appropriate)
- ⇒ water bottles
- ⇒ sports kit (as above)

I hope you will be able to come along, together with grandparents, relatives and friends to support your children at these events and we look forward to seeing you.

There will be a parents race so don't forget your training shoes!

In order that results of races can be recorded accurately and also for the safety of the children we would ask that all spectators support from the designated areas only. Spectators will not be allowed to stand at the finish line and parents must not go over to the area where their children are sitting. Our staff will escort pupils to the toilets if comfort breaks are required.

Strictly no photos or videos

We know that parents and families like to capture photos and videos of their child/children on Sports Day, however due to GDPR we have to enforce a strict no photo/video policy. We have children in school whose parents have not given consent.

Please pass this message onto whoever will be supporting your child on Sports Day. If anyone is seen violating this policy they will be asked to leave the premises.