

Hiltingbury Highlights

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Message from Miss Loosemore

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have really appreciated being able to invite Parents and Carers into school this week to join us in a variety of events. The staff have all said how they enjoyed having the time to share the experiences and opportunities that they have planned for your children this year. The beginning of any academic year is always exciting, but there has been a real sense of purpose this year from everyone in and around the school. I have been incredibly impressed with the children's learning and attitudes they have brought each day so far!

In our whole school assembly on Monday our focus was on understanding mental health and who to go to for support. I shared the following powerful video in relaying those key messages and I wanted to share it with you all too incase it was something you wanted to watch with your children: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DxIDKZHW3-E

Thank you to everyone who gave up their time to support the school in our Parent forum meeting this week. We were so pleased with the high turnout and also the fantastic contributions everyone gave. As we have shared, one of our school improvement priorities is to develop a new interconnected curriculum and to do this we value the feedback and involvement of our school community. In our meeting we explored what people and experiences we would like the children to have with us during their time at Hiltingbury. In our second meeting we will continue to build ideals which will be used to plan our new exciting overviews. Please feel welcome to attend our next meeting and join us in this exciting project too.

Thank you Miss Downer who led an informative phonics talk to Parents this week. We have worked hard to plan and implement our new synthetic scheme which had great impact last year in supporting children with their reading. Thank you also to our Parents for getting the children into school to start each day promptly.

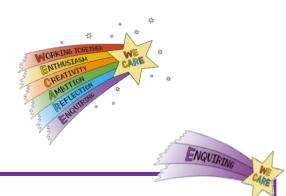
We wish you all a wonderful weekend.

Best wishes,

Zoe Loosemore

Link to our school website calendar for dates and events

Website Calendar Link



Alexander W (6B) - Alexander has had an enquiring mind this week, asking lots of questions about volcanoes and how they work, in particular of the Icelandic volcanic eruption in 2010. He engaged in the geographical talk we've been having which has been fantastic!

Toby S (4S) Asking questions can be scary, but Toby has been a real star asking questions to further his understanding and to clarify his thoughts. Toby is a super active learner and determined to achieve his best in every lesson. Well done;_)

Max S (5MR) I have been so impressed with Max's engagement and focus since the start of the year. He has particularly shone this week during science. Whilst exploring orbits and rotation Max posed some really interesting questions showing his enthusiasm for learning and in particular science. Well done!

Petra (4DN) Petra has impressed us with her enquiring mind, asking questions and making links in her learning in school every day. She offered some brilliant ideas and responses in our New Forest trip this week, was engaged throughout and set a brilliant example to the class. Well done Petra!

We Care nominations:

George (5CR) - George is enthusiasm personified! While he could have received this certificate everyday since the start of term, this week he has put his hand up throughout every lesson and his enthusiasm has been totally infectious! He is full of ideas and asking questions which show he is actively thinking about the learning. We are so proud of you George!

Ethan C (3BC) Ethan has wowed us with his enthusiasm. Whatever the subject, Ethan gives his all. This week our highlights were his Mr Men art work as well as always showing kindness to his peers. Thank you Ethan.

Evie H (3D) - Evie has really taken to her new Cyber Ambassador role this week. In our Computing lesson, Evie demonstrated her kind and caring nature by helping her peers when they got stuck using the computer. Evie also helped her peers to find the different buttons on the keyboard. Well done Evie!

Matthew H (6W) Matthew is such an asset to any group. He is a real team player and contributes to group discussions, ensuring everyone is listened to, as well as providing his own ideas. He is one of the first to help any of his peers. Well done Matthew.

Rosie P (6C) Your organisational and working together skills have been used to great effect this week especially during our science shadow investigation. Your team worked incredibly hard well done.

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Reggie R (3P) - Reggie has shown his creative side this week in our Mr Men art lessons where he had to create his own WE CARE Mr/Little Miss character. He thoroughly enjoyed sharing his imaginative ideas with the class and was really proud of his efforts in class and iArt Club. Well done!

Ollie V (5M) Ollie has shown an incredibly ambitious attitude across the week. He has really tried in his English to improve on his language choice and in PE, where he pushed himself and his partner in their circuit training exercises! Keep up this great attitude Ollie:)

Eva S (4P) Wow - what super writing Eva has produced recently! Her wanted poster for the BFG ticked all the success criteria and her Dream Giver writing is also shaping up to be another great piece. The effort Eva is putting in is clear to see - well done!



Year Group Highlights

Year 3

Link to our weekly Highlights & Gallery



Year 4

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Year 5

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Year 6

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School Lunches

Menu Change:

Thursday 6/10

Meat: Fish fingers

Vegetarian: Sweet potato curry

Street Menu: Chicken burger in a bun

Friday 7/10

Meat: Roast pork

Vegetarian: Vegan sausage roll

Street Menu: Jacket potato with cheese and

beans

Please let us know if you have any questions.

School lunches

Lunches are £2.60 per day, £13.00 per week.

Please ensure that your child's lunch account is either at a NIL or credit balance each day. The office team will make contact and ask for you to arrange a packed lunch for your child when there is a debit balance. If you require any support with this or have any questions, then please do contact the School office. *Thank you*





Don't recycle at home

Yesterday, 'Bike It John', who is from the charity Sustrans, spent the day at Hiltingbury Junior School servicing and fixing children's bikes. With well over 50 bikes on site yesterday, John was kept busy for the majority of the day, pumping tyres, checking brakes, greasing chains etc. This is the first Bike Doctor session that we have organised at school this year - in a bid to get as many children actively travelling to school (walking, scooting as well as cycling). There will certainly be more of these sessions throughout the year. The children came together at the end of the day for an assembly from John and myself promoting why it is so important to actively travel where possible.

Next week, we are participating in **Cycle To School Week** where we want as many children as possible cycling to school. If they are unable to cycle, then walking and scooting is brilliant too! The class with the greatest amount of children actively travelling across all of next week will win a class prize.

Mr Wright

Highlight Wellbeing

Many children say that they worry about their awareness of climate change and the future. We can feel powerless when facing a situation which we cannot control. It can really help our well being to focus on the small, practical changes that we can physically DO to help make a difference.

'Think Globally Act Locally' is a great maxim to live by.

We will have an assembly next week led by our Eco Club which will focus on small changes we can make. It would be great if this could be reflected at home as well as at school.

Recycle soft plastics. - any clean soft plastic packaging can now be recycled at most supermarkets. In school we are encouraging the children to use soft plastics recycling bins. It would be great if this could be reflected at home as well as at school.

Consider having an area in your kitchen where you can collect packaging with this label.

I use old bread bags, then put them in the boot of the car, to take to the supermarket next time I visit. It just becomes routine after a while.



The packaging gets recycled into a vast range of other products, rather than using new plastic each time.



To celebrate Libraries Week, we would like to invite you and your child to take part in our free scavenger hunt in our school library from 3.20 till 4pm on Friday 7th October. Mrs Thomas and the Pupil Librarians are busy planning a fun scavenger hunt, where your child can explore our school library whilst developing their library skills. If you are up for a challenge of finding items on a list, checking which books your child has on loan and seeing Hiltingbury Juniors very own 'Bookhog', please come along. Siblings are welcome too. *One scavenger hunt list per family.



SAVE THE DATE!

DISCO

13TH OCTOBER 2022

YEAR 3 AND 4: 3.20 – 5PM YEAR 5 AND 6: 5.30 – 7PM

Raising money for 'Helpful Hounds Charity' Supporting Hugo

Ticket purchasing information to follow

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