

HILTINGBURY HIGHLIGHTS

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Headteacher's message

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you all for your ongoing support and understanding yesterday. It is always a challenging decision to have to close a school in response to adverse weather conditions, and not one taken lightly. We were very glad to be able to welcome everyone back to school today!

During our recent INSET day on Monday, our dedicated staff members collaborated in designing our new curriculum. Staff actively contributed, drawing upon their wealth of knowledge and expertise, working in their respective year groups, to build an interconnected curriculum built upon key concepts. Staff all shared how much they are looking forward to teaching some of the new projects later in this academic year. To prepare staff for the day ahead, Mr Achilles challenged staff early in the morning with some team building challenges which everyone thoroughly enjoyed.

Looking ahead, we have exciting events planned for the community this half term. In response to the children's feedback, we have organised a festive disco to raise funds for the charity Helpful Hounds, serving as our annual fundraiser. Additionally, we extend a warm invitation to everyone to our Christmas Carol event on Wednesday, 13th December. This event also offers Parents and Carers the opportunity to share in your child's achievements through looking in their books. Our first community event of the season is our Remembrance assembly on Monday, 13th November that we hope you are able to join us for. All of our events are on our school website calendar so please take the time to have a look.

We wish you all a relaxing weekend with your families and friends.

Best wishes,

Zoe Loosemore



Dates for your diary

Year 3 Hilliers trip - 7th, 8th & 10th November

Year 6 Residential - 8-10th November

13th November - School Remembrance Celebration

17th November - Children in Need

7th December - School Snow Ball Disco

13th December - Christmas Carols & Book share in the classrooms

Weekly 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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Highlight Wellbeing

A busy week in a busy term!

Sometimes, for all of us, life can feel like running on a treadmill which has been turned up too high for too long! If you are feeling like this then it is safe to say that your children will be aware of this at some level, and we all need to take the time to take things slowly and nurture ourselves and our relationships along the way.

Notice the pockets of the day when you can pace yourself and check in with how you are feeling and what you need. Is there a way that these times could be extended? Or at least boundaries so that they remain protected.

Encourage your child to do the same.

Down time is a necessity not a luxury.

There is support and help in school and in the community.

Please look for links in our website.



Future in Mind

Looking to promote
POSITIVE MENTAL HEALTH
in your 0-25 year old?

- The Hampshire Parent Carer Network invites all parent carers to free support
- Free workshops with trained professionals.
- Connect and gain support with peers
- Build knowledge and feel empowered Online and in person across Hampshire

November Workshops & Peer Support

- 9th - Eating Disorders & ARFID - Eastleigh 10.15
- 14th - Anxiety & Worries - Havant 10.15
- 22nd - Supporting your young person through bullying - Online 7pm
- 23rd - Suspecting Autistic Traits, On the pathway or Just been diagnosed? Talk to a Clinical Psychologist - Basingstoke 10.15
- 29th - Discussing when your young person is actively self-harming or self injurious behaviour with Closer2Home - Totton 10.15

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