

# HILTINGBURY HIGHLIGHTS

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## Headteacher's message

Dear Parents and Carers,

This morning we were greeted by festive decorations around the school as the Christmas office fairies visited last night and decorated for us all ready to celebrate the 1st of December! We also had a visit from our school 'Elf on the shelf' that Hugo sniffed out! It visited 6C with the 'Elf games' beginning by decorating all of their display boards with wrapping paper!

Across this week we embraced all of our individual differences, pulling on our odd socks to celebrate the start of our very own Anti-Bullying week on Monday. Well done to our fantastic School Council for all of their hard work leading their assembly and to Choir for their beautiful performance reminding us of the power of our voices! We have been very proud to make a noise about bullying.

There are so many exciting events that we have planned over the final two weeks of term. On Monday the children are able to start posting their Christmas cards to their friends across the school. We have asked the children to make sure their friends first and surname are on the envelopes with their class name if they know it too. It is also the final few days for the children to design their front covers for our Carol Concert programme competition. Please bring in any final entries to school on Monday.

Good luck to our choir who are out in the community performing this weekend!

We wish you all, the first of a series of festive weekends ahead!

Best wishes,

*Zoe Loosemore*



## Dates for your diary

**7th December** - School Snow Ball Disco / Festive Jumper Day & Christmas lunch / 4P Listen to me concert 2pm

**8th December** - SEND Parent Forum 9am

**12th December** - Raffle ticket winners non-uniform day

**13th December** - Book share in the classrooms 3.30-3.55pm & Carols around the tree 4pm

Elfridges - HSPTA

House treat & Raffle ticket winners

**14th December** - Winter House Sports Day

**15th December** - HSPTA Santa Dash  
Last Day of Term

# Weekly Year group highlights

## Year 3

[Link to our Weekly Highlights & Gallery](#)



## Year 4

[Link to our Weekly Highlights & Gallery](#)

## Year 5

[Link to our Weekly Highlights & Gallery](#)

## Year 6

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## Highlight Wellbeing

There has been a lot of ongoing change around school this term, with some children moving classrooms and adapting to alternative routes around the school this week, due to our building project. Although change is very exciting and all part of the positive progress of our school, we are aware that it can also be unsettling and bring challenges along the way for some children. Please take the time to talk to your child about the changes around the school and how they are feeling about it all. If there are any concerns, please remind your child that change is an inevitable and inescapable part of life, and there is always support, both at home and at school to help to process feelings around it, and build skills of adaptability and resilience.

To continue our section to help parents and carers to get to know school staff a little better, here are some more answers to the same 3 questions.

This week it is the turn of our multitalented and multitasking Mrs Boden!

Mrs Boden has worked at HJS for nearly 10 years, starting as a Learning Support Assistant, then developing her passion for supporting Child Development as a Thrive practitioner, and now fulfilling her new role as our Child and Family Support Worker.

1. What do you do to unwind and support your wellbeing?

My everyday wellbeing activity is walking my dog (Odin). It's calm and peaceful and gives me a chance to process my day.

I also enjoy spending time with family, and listening to music.

2. Please share a favourite piece of life advice which has made a difference to you.

'Never say never'

Time goes past so quickly, you grow, learn, and the world also evolves. You can be a very different person in a few years. So never say never because you just might!

3. What do you most enjoy about your job?

It's hard to pick one thing! Mainly it's working with so many different children. I'm here to help them learn and grow, but I learn something from them every day, and they help me to grow. I don't think the children realise how much of a positive impact they have on the adults around them.

DESIGN OUR HJS

# CAROL CONCERT

PROGRAMME COMPETITION  
2023

DESIGNS  
TO BE A4  
SIZE &  
PORTRAIT



ENTRIES TO BE GIVEN TO  
YOUR TEACHER BY 4TH  
DECEMBER

# *Hittingbury Junior School*

Join us for a heartwarming celebration

**3.30-3.55pm**  
**Classrooms are open**  
**for you to share your**  
**child's work**

**4pm Carols led by our**  
**School Choir &**  
**Thornden Community**  
**Band**



## *Christmas* *Carols*

**A r o u n d t h e t r e e**

**4PM DECEMBER 13TH, 2023**

*All are welcome*

**MULLED WINE & MINCE PIES WILL BE AVAILABLE**  
**TO PURCHASE**







# Hiltingbury Junior School

# SNOW Ball Disco

7th December 2023  
Years 3 & 4 : 3.30-4.30pm  
Years 5 & 6 : 4.45-5.45pm

*Tickets sales are now open!*

*Tickets cost £5*

*Purchases can be made via your child's Arbor account*

*Come and join the fun*

**Raising money for the charity Helpful Hounds**





Children's festive sing-along

# with Christmas Carols at the Hilt 2023

Wednesday 20th  
December

3.00pm for 4.00pm start

**Mulled Wine  
& Mince Pies**

Just bring your voice  
and plenty of good will!

This is an extremely popular  
event, so please be prepared  
to stand if you are able.

There will be a collection of items  
for the Eastleigh Basics Bank and for  
a small number of local charities.

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WEDNESDAY

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#### NOTE TO PARENTS

All children must be seated with their parents or other responsible adults. Children may be asked to participate at the front of stage and then return to their seats.  
PERFORMANCE MAY BE FILMED FOR THE HILT WEBSITE

[enquiries@thehilt.org.uk](mailto:enquiries@thehilt.org.uk)

The Hilt - Hiltingbury Recreation Ground  
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