

HILTINGBURY HIGHLIGHTS

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Headteacher's message

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week we have launched and shared several exciting new initiatives aimed at driving sustainability across the school, all in line with our vision for a greener future. One of our key upcoming events is our very first 'Drop and Swap' scheduled for the week commencing 31st March and we are eagerly looking forward to it!

Yesterday morning, Miss Bristow and Mrs Richardson led our Connected Parent Meeting, focusing on getting valuable feedback from both Parents and Carers and children regarding our new sustainability measures and how they are integrated into the curriculum. It was a fantastic session where we explored our Climate and Sustainability Action Plan together. Parents and children had the opportunity to share their thoughts on the curriculum, school grounds and resources helping us shape our approach moving forward.

Mrs Richardson shared that one of the standout moments for her was seeing the positive response to our Loose Parts Play initiative. Parents were incredibly encouraging and highlighted the many benefits they believe this will bring to their children. A recurring theme in our discussions was the desire to provide more opportunities for children to engage in gardening. With this in mind, we would love to hear from anyone who has connections with a gardener who might be willing to collaborate with us and work with the children - this would be a great addition to our sustainability efforts!

Our current project responds to new legislation regarding food waste management in schools. We are now legally required to separate all food waste and dry recycling from general waste. To comply with this we are implementing a system to ensure that all food waste - both from staff and children - is properly separated for collection. We will update you soon with further details. Sustainability is becoming an integral part of our school's decisions and practices. While we are still in the early stages we have undertaken a lot of research to deepen our own understanding to develop our practices. Thank you all for your enthusiasm and support as we continue on this journey! Finally, a huge well done to our Year 6 cohort for their hard work and dedication during Mock SATs week. We are incredibly proud of your positive attitudes and efforts!

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend!

Best wishes,

Zoe Coosemore



We have raised over £634! so far
for Comic Relief
Thank you for your support!



Dates for your diary -
Please check the school website calendar for more events and information

Tuesday 25th March - Parents evening

Thursday 27th March - Parents evening

Sunday 30th March - Y5 Residential

WC 31st March - Autism Acceptance week

Monday 31st March - Raffle ticket winners non uniform day / House treat

Wednesday 2nd April - Y3 Parent project outcome Time TBC

Thursday 3rd April - ListentoMe Concert Birch class

Friday 4th April - Y5 Parent project outcome 9am / HSPTA fundraiser Easter Egg hunt

Easter Break - Monday 7th April - Tuesday 22nd April

The Library is closed after school on Fridays until after the Easter break

Reminder

School lunches
Reminder. In order for your child to order a school lunch please ensure that your Arbor account stays in credit.
Thank you for your support!



[www.https://www.hiltingbury-jun.hants.sch.uk/](https://www.hiltingbury-jun.hants.sch.uk/)

Opportunity

Make a difference



GOVERNOR SUPPORT

Apply to be a parent governor

We are currently seeking applicants for the opportunity to join our school's governing body

Successful applicant(s) will:

- join a friendly and dedicated team;
- be supported to develop useful new skills and knowledge;
- work with school leaders to assist children and young people to fulfil their aspirations;
- give something of significant value back to our community.



Please get in touch to find out more about this opportunity

[Link to Google register of interest form](#)

Closing date

Monday 31st March 12pm

Contact **Hiltingbury Junior School**

Telephone **02380 261808**

Email **Adminoffice@hiltingbury-jun.hants.sch.uk**

You can find out more about the governing body on our website:

<https://www.hiltingbury-jun.hants.sch.uk/>



For more information about being a school governor in Hampshire visit: hants.gov.uk/governors-volunteer

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

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



Highlight Wellbeing

You may already know that livestreaming plays a major role in children's entertainment, with a wide range of personalities influencing young viewers in both positive and negative ways. While watching streamers can be fun, it also comes with significant risks, including misinformation, 💰 financial harms, and ⚠️ inappropriate content.

Popular streaming platform Twitch has over 2.5 million viewers at any given time, which is why it's more important than ever to stay informed.

Negative influences

While things have improved, streamers are often paid by companies to promote products, and this isn't going away. While it's unlikely that these goods will be harmful to your child, some streamers and influencers have engaged with scams in the past.

Addiction to screen time

If your child is watching a lot of a particular streamer, it can be just as damaging to their social life as playing too many video games.

Inappropriate content

Some streamers stick to family-friendly titles, but others will play more violent games that tend to be more popular.



Coming soon.....

The
**SHOESWAP
DROP & SWAP**

