



# Hiltingbury Highlights

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## Message from Miss Loosemore

Dear Parents and Carers,



We hope you have all enjoyed a first week back to school after an enjoyable Christmas break with friends and family. As with tradition of new year and making new years resolutions, we started the half term launching our new whole school learning value for this half term; Ambition. On Tuesday morning in our assembly we learnt all about Michael Jordan as a role model for our learning value, reflecting on his ambitious journey towards achieving success. The themes that came up for the children included that you should never give up and persevere, even when you have self-doubt, being determined to achieve your dreams and believing you can achieve your dreams. We also reflected on how Michael Jordan did not always achieve success but learnt from every experience. The children continued to work together and learn about ambition through afternoon activities, setting themselves targets to achieve. Some of our year 6 children shared 'We have learnt that we should push ourselves and learn from our mistakes'; 'Ambition links to our other learning values - you can also be ambitious when working together'. We look forward to continuing to reflect and learn from others about being ambitious across the half term.

A new term brings new trips and community events too, please do check our school calendar. A few to highlight for Spring 1 are our Maths Parents evening, Parent forum meeting and our Parent coffee morning. We also have our popular school disco for this term on the 23<sup>rd</sup> March, again raising money for Helpful Hounds charity.

Our fantastic HSPTA organised for the children to enjoy a pantomime experience in school today of 'Jack and the Beanstalk' with the Infant School. This was not just any pantomime, but one in which the whole audience became immersed through the set up of the stages and lots of children were given the chance to act in the pantomime themselves! Everyone thoroughly enjoyed the experience and no doubt you will have lots of children coming home tonight dancing and singing and maybe even being inspired to develop their own talents in performing. Thank you to the HSPTA members for providing such an enriching experience for all children to enjoy.

We wish you a relaxing weekend and look forward to what next week brings. Year 6 try and get some sleep in preparation for the exciting residential next week!

Best wishes,

*Zoe Loosemore*

### Reminder - Clubs start next week!

Reminder that all extra curricular clubs begin next week, with the exception of Art club which will begin on Tuesday, 17<sup>th</sup> January

**Link to our school website calendar for dates and events**

[Website Calendar Link](#)

# Year Group Highlights



Year 3

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

Year 4

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

Year 5

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Year 6

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## Highlight Well-being

I've always really liked the fact that we are now welcoming in what is called the 'Spring Term', even though we remain rather oppressed by the dark mornings and evenings. There are already small signs of the promise of spring around the school grounds. This hope and positivity is also reflected in our fresh new school focus on Ambition.

Take some time to reflect on your own ambitions this week, and ask your child about what they have learnt about ambition this week. What would you and your child like to experience together in 2023, strengthening bonds and creating shared memories? A good friend often reminds me that 'where focus goes, energy flows'. We can make our ambitions and plans into realities, by shining a light on them, and giving them expression and space to grow strong.

Wishing you cosy evenings and early nights, as many households are reconnecting to the school routine.



## Hugo Highlights



Hugo is now 6 months old and making great progress. He was very excited when his School bag was being packed ready to return to School on Tuesday morning and waited by the door to leave for School to see everyone!

Throughout the autumn term, Hugo has attended School most days and in addition to warming a few hearts and making lots of people smile, he has shared time on gate duties - welcoming families to School and experiencing larger groups of people, visiting and delivering items to classrooms, sharing time in the office with people arriving and leaving, taken part in fire drills, visiting the library, joining golden mile walks, visiting running club and also getting that all important rest and play in as a part of his development.



During the spring term, Hugo will continue to learn and attend training sessions. He will also be visiting assemblies, more shops and retail areas to build on his exposure to social environments and learn how to focus and play with distractions. At his Helpful Hounds training session this week, he was able to show off some of his embedded puppy training with great enthusiasm! At his next training session he will be learning to work together with another Helpful Hound, Heidi.



Hugo will move on to complete his foundation assessment with Helpful Hounds early next month and we then envisage allowing Hugo to join individual children and small therapy groups (with consent from parents and carers) as we gradually build his socialisation and time up to working with larger groups. In addition to this, during the spring and summer terms, Hugo will continue to work towards the following assessment, Bronze.



We are all really enjoying Hugo being a member of the team and here are some of his highlights so far!



## Happy New Year!

We're not quite sure how, but we're a third of the way through this school year already! Whilst we're still feeling sluggish from so many mince pies and roast potatoes please enjoy a gentle approach to this week's newsletter!

Here are some easy ways to help raise money for the PTA!

**Second Hand Uniform Sales** - donate to the PTA by leaving clean, branded school uniform with either school reception.

[Buy the next size up online here](#) if Santa delivered a growth spurt along with everything else! We have lots of great stock available all for no more than £5 per item!

### Use your shopping to raise money:

[Amazon Smile](#) - Add Hiltingbury PTA as your chosen charity for Amazon to give us a small share of any money you spend here

[Easy Fundraising](#) - a great site for generating additional funds for the PTA each time you spend online with selected stores

[Shop to Give](#) - another platform that does the same thing, choose whichever suits you to encourage big companies to help out our lovely little charity.

### [School Lottery](#)

Sign up to our School Lottery to contribute to the charity each month whilst being in with a chance to win money or other prizes! The more people join, the larger the prize money!

## In just one term you have helped raise over £16000!!

Uniform Sales	£506	Xmas Jumpers	£145
Tuck Shops	£523	Wreaths & Prints	£83
Lottery	£614	Dine with Santa	£1428
Quiz	£692	Elfridges	£2822
Spooks & Sparks	£5770	Xmas Trees	£2345
Pottery	£285	Santa Letters	£469
Shopping links	£96	Donations /other	£416

**Our next meeting is on January 12th at 7.30pm. Email [info.hspta@gmail.com](mailto:info.hspta@gmail.com) for the zoom details! All welcome**



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**SUNDAY 19  
MARCH 2023**

# HENDY EASTLEIGH JUNIOR FUN RUN

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This is your chance to 'Go for Gold' at the Hendy Eastleigh Junior Fun Run event for the 12s and unders on Sunday 19 March 2023. The event is run around Fleming Park, Eastleigh and will be supporting WESSEX Heartbeat.

## FUN RUN FEATURES

- The race starts at 11am for 9-12s, and 11.15am for 4-8 year olds.
- Entry is only £7 per child but limited to a maximum of 300 e.g. 150 per race (entries will not be taken on the day).
- Appropriate running clothes or tracksuits are recommended.
- Free medal and £5 voucher for Up & Running for all finishers.



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