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Hillcrest Primary School

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NEWSLETTER

Friday 25th April 2025

Dear Parents /Carers,

New Catering Provider Gets Off to Flying Start

The Lunchtime Company have taken on the provision of school dinners from the beginning of this week.

The school hall offers a more engaging environment in which to eat thanks to the way that the Lunchtime Company lay the children's lunches and desserts out. The children feel far more grown up.

Although it's still early days, the menu options already appear to be appealing to the children.

We look forward to a continued long relationship with The Lunchtime Company and with our Head Cook, Mrs Turner.

If you haven't yet checked out the new menus, please do so on the last pages of this newsletter.

Year 6 SATs Examinations

Between Monday 12th and Thursday 15th May, the Year 6 pupils will be taking part in their SATs tests.

The children have been working hard all year to prepare themselves for these examinations and it is important that the children do not have any time off during the test week unless absolutely necessary.

Therefore, no absences other than those on medical grounds, will be authorised.

It is vitally important that, in the event that your child wakes up on the morning of one of the tests and are clearly too poorly to attend school, that you make contact with your child's class teacher, or the school office, as early as possible to inform them of their absence. Arrangements can then be made to find an alternative time and date on which your son/daughter can take the test they have missed. However, under Department for Education guidelines, in this eventuality, the parent should ensure that their child has not communicated with any of their Year 6 classmates until they have sat the test themselves.

Many thanks, in advance, for your support with this and we wish all of the children well.

Sports Days

We are pleased to confirm when this year's Summer Sports Days will be taking place.

EYFS	Tuesday 24 th June	1.30pm
KS1	Friday 27 th June	1.15pm
KS2	Wednesday 25 th June	12.30pm

Please note that after the success of last year's afternoon Sports Day for Key Stage 2, that we will be running all sports days in the afternoon this year.

In the event of poor weather we may have to rearrange the events for another day. However, unlike previous years when we share what our reserve dates are in advance, we have not set any at this time and will take a decision on a new date at the earliest possible opportunity should a decision to cancel be taken.

Class Drop-Ins

Summer Term Drop-Ins will be held on the following dates between 8.45 and 8.55am...

Wednesday 30th April

Wednesday 21st May

Wednesday 25th June

Wednesday 16th July

Year 6 Leavers' Assembly

For those parents of children in Earth or Neptune Class, the Year 6 Leavers' Assembly will take place at 10am on Tuesday 22nd July. Provided that the weather allows, we will hold the event in the Key Stage 2 playground. In the event of poor weather, we will hold the assembly in the Main Hall which may mean limiting the numbers attending.

2025/26 Term Dates

Autumn Term 2025

Pupils return on Wednesday 3rd September

Half – Term Holiday: Monday 27th October – Friday 31st October (inclusive)

Last Day of Term: Friday 19th December

Christmas and New Year Holiday: Monday 22nd December 2025 – Monday 5th January 2026 (inclusive)

Spring Term 2026

Children return to school on Tuesday 6th January 2026

Half-Term Holiday: Monday 16th February to Friday 20th February (inclusive)

Last Day of Term: Friday 27th March

Easter Holiday: Monday 30th March to Monday 13th April (inclusive)

Summer Term 2026

Pupils return on Tuesday 14th April

May Day Bank Holiday: Monday 4th May – SCHOOL CLOSED

Half-Term Holiday: Monday 25th May – Friday 29th May (inclusive)

Last Day of Term: Friday 17th July

Summer Holiday begins on Monday 20th July

Parking

Please note that some extremely dangerous and inconsiderate parking has been noted immediately outside the school gate. Under NO CIRCUMSTANCES should any parent park on the zig-zag lines outside the front entrance to the school. It is against the law and a hazard to the families walking across the entrance to the school at the start and the end of the day as well as being a hazard for those cars leaving the site at that time.

One parent recently not only parked on the zig-zag lines, but also parked right across the front entrance, making it impossible for any cars arriving or leaving to use that access point. The police are aware of our concerns and will be called in the future if similarly inconsiderate parking is witnessed again.

Early warning...SCHOOL CLOSURE

We would like to remind you that Hillcrest Primary School will be closed for the May Day Bank Holiday on Monday 5th May. School will reopen at the usual time on Tuesday 6th May.

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