

Hiller Newsletter

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Week beginning 1st September

Timings of the school day

- Gates open at 8:40am
- Classroom doors open at 8:40am
- School starts at 8.50am
- Gates close promptly at 8.55am
- School finishes at 3:20pm

Letters sent out this week...

Home school agreement
Parent conduct statement
School uniform letter
New minibs letter
After-school cubs Term 1

Outdoor Learning

Please make a note of when your child's session is this term. They will need to bring in appropriate outdoor learning clothes and footwear to change into.

Many thanks

Tuesday 23rd September—Year 2 & 6

Tuesday 30th September— Year 1 & 5

Tuesday 7th October —Year 3 & 4

Reception TBC

Headteacher's Message

Welcome back everyone! We hope that you have all had a wonderful Summer holiday! The weather has certainly made it clear that Summer is over! Lets hope that the rain isn't here to stay for long

We are looking forward to working with you all again this year and also welcome all of our new Reception parents. As always, please do not hesitate to pop in or email if you have any questions or worries :)

Dani Brayshaw #ProudtobeAHiller



Parent Meetings

This week and next, your child's class teacher will be holding a Parent Information meeting. In this meeting you will find out important information such as: PE days, trips and the curriculum overview.

These meetings will be held in your child's new classroom at 3.30pm. Your child is welcome to attend.

Friday 5th —Year 4

Monday 8th —Year 1

Tuesday 9th—Year 2

Wednesday 10th —Year 5

Thursday 11th —Year 6

Friday 12th —Year 3

Reception TBC



Dates for your diary

September

8th - Year 1 parent meeting @ 3.20pm
9th - Year 2 parent meeting @ 3.20pm
10th - Year 5 parent meeting @ 3.20pm
11th— Year 6 parent meeting @ 3.20pm
12th—Year 3 parent meeting @ 3.20pm
17th — Reception class in full time
23rd—Outdoor learning—Year 2 & 6
24th— Flu vaccinations
30th—Harvest Festival at St Oswald's Church (details to follow)
Outdoor learning—Year 1 & 5

October

1st—Black History Month
3rd— 'Feel Good Friday'
Coffee morning / Cake Sale for Pied Piper Appeal (details to follow)
6th—School photos
7th—School photos
7th —'Reading Café' for Reception and Year 1 class (details to follow)
Outdoor learning—Year 3 & 4
9th — 'Reading Café for Year 2 and Year 3
7th — Harvest Festival at St Oswald's Church @ 11am (details to follow)
10th — Hello Yellow Day (details to follow)
21st —Year 6 trip to Steam
24th—END OF TERM finish at 3.20pm
27th—31st —HALF TERM

November

2nd —Firework Night at Coney Hill RFC (details to follow)
3rd— TERM 2 STARTS
4th—Parents Evening (details to follow)
5th— Parents Evening (details to follow)
10th—Anti-bullying week
14th—Children in Need / Feel Good Friday
18th— Outdoor learning—Year 2 & 6
25th—'Reading Café' for Year 2 & 3 (details to follow)
Outdoor learning—Year 1 & 5
26th—Reading Café for Reception & Year 1

Hillier Highlights

This week in our return to school we have launched our fantastic new themes! Here are our highlights this week.

Happy Hilliers Preschool

"We have really enjoyed getting to know each other this week and playing and exploring our new environment. We have made lots of new friends and have already had so much fun. Our teachers are so proud of us!"

Reception

"This week, Mrs Brookes, Mrs Hipkiss and Mrs Fellows have been busy visiting us in our homes to meet us and our parents. We are all so excited to start school on Monday! Look out for us in our brand new uniforms!"

Year 1

"We have made a great start this week—settling into Year 1. We have impressed Miss Green with our drawing and writing skills creating and describing monsters. We have been exploring our new classroom and have created amazing models and pieces of art work!"

Year 2

"We really have impressed our teachers in how well we have settled back into school life. Our new theme is called 'Explorers' and we have learnt about Ernest Shackleton and have also been writing a descriptive piece of writing about a monster!"

Year 3

"We are excited to start our new theme 'Prehistoric Pioneers'. We have already started looking at Stone Age cave art and have focused on the technique they used. We created line drawings of British animals showing detail and texture"

Year 4

"We have made an excellent return to school and our new teachers are so pleased with how we have settled in with the new routines and expectations. Our new theme is called 'Glevum Gladiators' which is learning all about the Ancient Romans"

Year 5

"We have had a great start to Year 5! We have started our new theme called 'Hola Mexico!' by trying Mayan hot chocolate and making masks on our Mayan Experience Day! We can't wait to find out more"

Year 6

"We have settled into Year 6 life quickly and we have been working so hard already. We have been creating silhouette art to introduce our new theme 'Blitz and Pieces' which is all about World War 2"

Clubs—Term 1

Letters for after-school clubs being offered in Term 1 have been sent home. Please send back letters indicating your child's preference **NO LATER** than **Wednesday 10th September**.

The majority of the clubs offered will run for 5 weeks commencing week beginning Monday 15th September. Payment for clubs must be made on ParentPay **BEFORE** the clubs are due to start.
Many thanks



Autumn is here!

This week has certainly seen Autumn make an appearance with some wet and quite chilly weather. Please can all parents ensure that children come to school with a waterproof and warm jacket or coat so that we are able to go outside for play and lunchtimes! Unless it's pouring!

Golden Learning Behaviour



This week in classes, the teaching staff will be reminding the children of the 5 Golden Learning Behaviours that are expected in school. Perhaps ask your child at home to explain them to you! Can they remember them?



Attendance

A reminder that your child's attendance and punctuality in school is incredibly important to their achievement and progress. If your child is absent please phone or email the admin team—every day they are absent with a clear explanation of why. A reminder too that we are no longer able to authorise holidays. If you are planning a holiday in term time—even if it is just for one day—a holiday form must be completed.



Free School Meals

We want to make sure as many eligible families as possible are receiving free school meal support.

You can assess whether your child is eligible for this funding by applying online at:

<https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals>

You can still apply for KS1 pupils who receive Universal free school meals as it will then last into KS2.



Home School Agreement

Attached to this email is a copy of our 'Home School Agreement' for this academic year 2024-2025. Please take time to read it through and perhaps share parts of it with your child. If you have any questions about the agreement please do not hesitate to contact school. Our Parent Conduct Statement is also on our school website. We look forward to working closely together with you all again this year.