

Hiller Newsletter

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Week beginning 29th 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 / emails sent out this week...

Hello Yellow Day / Feel Good Friday
Safety reminder for bikes and scooters
Choking reminder—grapes

'Happy Hillers Preschool'

We currently have a **few afternoon spaces available** for children who turned 3 years old before September 2025. Afternoon sessions run from **12:30 PM to 3:30 PM**, offering a warm, engaging environment for learning and play.

Government funding can be used towards these sessions, making it a great opportunity for families looking for flexible preschool options. If you're interested or would like more information, please get in touch with us soon — spaces are limited!

Headteacher's Message

Welcome October! What a super busy week it has been! Thank you to everyone who came to our Harvest Festival on Tuesday, it was wonderful to see so many of you there. Thank you also for your support at today's 'Coffee and Cake sale' raising money for the Pied Piper Appeal. Next week is a busy one too, with school photos, Hello Yellow Day and Reading cafes! Further details of all of these below. Have a great weekend everyone :)

Dani Brayshaw #ProudtobeAHiller



We are GOLD!

We are GOLD! We are delighted to announce that we have achieved the **School Games GOLD Mark Award for 2024-2025**. The School Games Mark is a Government led award scheme, to reward schools for their commitment to the development of competition across their school and community and we are delighted to have been recognised for our success. We are extremely proud of our pupils for their dedication to all aspects of school sport, including our staff, volunteers and leaders who made our competitions possible.



Bikes and Scooters

An email was sent out to all parents and carers earlier this week, asking for support in ensuring that children **DO NOT** ride, cycle or scoot on their bikes and scooters **ANYWHERE** on the school site when they are arriving or leaving school. We have had a number of near misses with children almost colliding with parents. The children have all been spoken about this in assembly too.



Dates for your diary

October

1st—Black History Month
New Parent tour at 11am
2nd—New Parent tour at 2pm
3rd— 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
New Parent tour at 2pm
10th — Hello Yellow Day & Feel Good Friday (details to follow)
14th—New Parent tour at 11am
16th—New Parent tour at 2pm
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)
New Parent tour at 11am
10th—Anti-bullying week
14th—Children in Need / Feel Good Friday
PTFA Neon discos (details to follow)
18th— Outdoor learning—Year 2 & 3
25th—‘Reading Café’ for Year 2 & 3 (details to follow)
Outdoor learning—Year 1 & 5
26th—Reading Café for Reception & Year 1
Year 4 class assembly at 2.45pm
27th—Year 3 class assembly at 2.45pm

December

2nd—Outdoor Learning—Year 3 & 4
3rd—Year 5 class assembly at 2.45pm
PTFA fundraiser ‘Wreath making workshop’
4th—Year 6 class assembly
5th—Elf Day / donations for the Christmas Fayre (details to follow)
8th / 9th—Year 1 & 2 Christmas show (details to follow)

Hillier Highlights

Here are our highlights this week!

Happy Hilliers Preschool

“This week we have been exploring the colour YELLOW and have filled the preschool room with the smell of lemons! We have also peeled and cut the apples from our tree and made our own apple puffs with puff pastry. Yummy!”

Reception

“We have had a great week learning about Harvest and enjoying the story of The Little Red Hen. We loved performing in the church and sang the songs brilliantly. We have also been working really hard in phonics and how to count carefully”

Year 1

“This week we have been practicing our knowledge of shapes and their properties. In Outdoor learning we enjoyed looking for signs of Autumn and also discussed the different parts of plants that we found”

Year 2

“We have been looking at the explorer Ernest Shackleton’s advert to persuade men to join him on his perilous journey. In our DT lessons we have started to construct Baby Bears chair and looked at the materials which have been used to make our school”

Year 3

“We have loved writing creative stories about Finley the Fish in Science describing how Finley turned into a fossil over millions of years. We have also been working hard in History, creating amazing posters about Skara Brae”

Year 4

“This week we got stuck into our persuasive advert about joining the Roman Army and we learnt why the army was so well organised. In Science, we learnt that our stomach is not actually in our belly! In Maths, we have been rounding to 10 and 100!”

Year 5

“We have been experimenting in Science, trying to figure out which material makes the best insulator. We have also enjoyed learning all about Roman numerals in Maths and have practiced writing the date using them”

Year 6

“We loved Science this week investigating different variables in a circuit. We used all of our knowledge and scientific enquiry skills to test an investigation question. In History, we have been exploring the evacuation of Dunkirk and the effect it had on moral e in Britain”

Clubs—Term 1

Children MUST bring in PE kit if they are taking part in an active sport club

Mondays

Lego and Construction—Year 1 & 2

Buzz Club—Year 6

Art and Photography—Year 3 & 4

Tuesdays

Dance—Year 1 & 2

Wednesday

Benchball—Year 3 & 4

Coding Club—Year 4, 5 & 6

Girls Football—Year 4, 5 & 6

Thursday

Drama and Stories—Year 2 & 3

Friday

Netball—Year 4, 5 & 6

All clubs finish at 4.20pm and run for the next 5 weeks—week commencing 15th September

Behaviour

In assembly this afternoon, the Behaviour Cup and Bear were awarded to Year 2 and Year 4. Izaiah and Kai, collected the awards for their classes. Well done!

Golden Learning Behaviour



Congratulations to: Tais, Raya, Taylah, Lily, Elijah, Mercy and Marcel, who were chosen as Star of the Week! Well done everyone!



Attendance

Well done to our Year 4 class, who were awarded the Attendance Cup this week for 97 % attendance last week! Keep this up! #everymomentmatters

Coming up! Fundraising Events



Our popular Fireworks Display on **Sunday 2nd November!** Come and support this incredible community event! Tickets available from the school office or Coney Hill RFC



Back by popular demand—have a child free Christmas craft evening at our Wreath Making workshop on **3rd December 7-9pm**. See posters for both of these events overleaf.

Hello Yellow Day

We are celebrating Hello Yellow Day on **Friday 10th October**—raising awareness on World Mental Health Day! We are inviting all children to wear **YELLOW** for the day.

There is NO charge for this event. We will also be marking the day by holding our first 'Feel Good Friday' and completing mental health activities in class.

YOUNGMINDS

**Hello
Yellow**
FRIDAY 10 OCT



School Photographs

Next week, Sarah Viernes, our school photographer will be taking school photos of the children for this academic year. Children will have a sibling group photograph and an individual photograph. This **INCLUDES** children that attend our Happy Hillers Preschool.

Photographs will be over 2 days on **Monday 6th October and Tuesday 7th October. ALL children MUST be in FULL school uniform for BOTH days**



If your child usually has PE on Mondays or Tuesdays—your child's class teacher will email you directly to let you know the arrangements. The PE lessons will either be rearranged for next week or children will need to bring in their PE kit to change into.

Many thanks

Reading cafes

Next week we are holding our first Reading cafes of the new year!

Tuesday 7th—Reception and Year 1 8.40am—9.10am

Thursday 9th—Year 2 and Year 3

Please come and join us, to start the school day with your child; sharing a story in the classroom, listening to your child read, learning how we create a positive, exciting reading environment in school and also an opportunity to see reading sessions in action and speak to staff more about how we teach children to read and grow in reading for pleasure!

Younger siblings are welcome, but must be looked after by the adult and not distract from the reading session, as much as possible. If you have any questions, please speak to your child's class teacher.



GALLERY



Wreath Making

£20pp including a
glass of prosecco &
nibbles

3rd December 2025

7-9pm

Coney Hill Community Primary School

To book please email: hillerptfa@coneyhill.gloucs.sch.uk

Over 18's only



THE CONEY CLUB

-AFTERSCHOOL CLUB-

ACTIVITIES

INDOOR GAMES
CRAFTS
BOARD GAMES
OUTDOOR GAMES
AND MORE

RUNS WEEKDAYS
DURING TERM
TIME

CONEY
HILL
PUPILS
ONLY

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childcare
vouchers!

HELD IN CONEY HILL
SCHOOL
RUN BY CONEY HILL
SCHOOL STAFF

THE AFTERSCHOOL CLUB HAS
STAGGERED PRICING:

First hour only 3.20pm-4.20pm - £6.50

Following a school club 4.20-5.30pm - £7.00

3.20pm -5.30pm - £12.00





CONEY HILL RFC

& CONEY HILL COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

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FIREWORKS DISPLAY

**SUNDAY
NOVEMBER
2nd**

**Hot
Drinks**

Tea & Coffee

**Fairground
Rides &
Stalls**

**Hot
Food**

Burgers, Chips
Hot Dogs

**Sweet
Stall**

Candy Floss
& Chocolate

Bar

Tickets on sale from

Mon 29th September 2025

Get your tickets from CHRFC or Coney Hill

Community Primary School

Pre-sale: Adults £5 • Children £4

On the gate: Adults £6 • Children £5

Gates open at 3pm for 6pm start

