

Hiller Newsletter

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Week beginning 27th April 2026

Timings of the school day

- Gates open at 8:45am / 8.50am
- Classroom doors open at 8:50am
- School starts at 8.50am
- Gates close promptly at 9.00am
- School finishes at 3:20pm

Letters / emails sent out this week...

Swimming letter KS2
Online safety newsletter

Headteacher's Message

This week seems to have whizzed by and we cannot believe that it is Friday already! It has been a busy one with children out at Athletics events, a cricket tournament and Year 3 have enjoyed a great Egyptian workshop today as well. This weekend sees the arrival of the 'pop up' swimming pool, which will be situated on the playground for the next 3 weeks. Key Stage 2 parents, please check your emails as important reminders regarding lessons have been sent out.

Have a wonderful extended Bank Holiday weekend—hope the sun shines! And we look forward to see you all on Tuesday!

Dani Brayshaw #ProudtobeAHiller



Reading café



A reminder that next week we are inviting parents into school for our Reading Cafes event for Term 5. These are being held on:

Tuesday 5th May—Year 2 and Year 3

Wednesday 6th May—Reception and Year 1
From 8.50am—9.10am.

We hope you can join us!

New Reception Parent Meeting



Next week on **Thursday 7th May at 5.30pm**—we are holding an information evening for all parents who have a child starting with us in Reception in September 2026. **Even if you already have a child in school with us, please come to this meeting as important new information will be shared.**

Dates for your diary

May

1st—Year 3 Egyptian workshop (payment on ParentPay)

4th—BANK HOLIDAY

5th—Reading café—Year 2 and Year 3

6th—Reading café—Reception and Year 1

7th—Year 5 trip to Gloucester museum (payment on ParentPay)
Coney Community Picnic at 12.15pm

New Reception September 2026
Parent meeting at 5.30pm

11th—Year 6 SATS week
Swimming pool—KS2 swimming lessons start for 2 weeks

Outdoor learning—Year 1 and Reception

13th—Year 1 class assembly at 2.45pm

14th—Reception class assembly at 2.45pm

Year 5 PGL parent meeting at 3.30pm

18th—Outdoor Learning for Year 2 & Year 3

20th—Year 3 class assembly at 2.45pm

21st—Year 2 trip to Tewkesbury
Year 4 Greek workshop
Year 5 class assembly at 2.45pm
PTFA Snail Race at 3.30pm

25th—29th—HALF TERM

June

1st—Children back in for Term 6

Hillier Highlights

Happy Hilliers Preschool

“This week we have begun exploring the story of The Three Billy Goats Gruff. We’ve been busy making our own goats and talking about why we think trolls are so grumpy. We have spent lots of time in our sunny garden trip trapping over the bridge and acting the story out!”

Reception

“We have had a busy week! We planted our seeds for Pirate Penny and also wrote instructions of how we did it. We also loved our PE lesson—where Mr Hawkins took us on the field for our first Sports day practice!”

Year 1

“We have had a great week. We have been collecting facts about Queen Victoria and practicing using capital letters for names of people and places. We have been learning a song called ‘Your Imagination’ in music which uses call and response”

Year 2

“This week we have enjoyed learning facts and a song about Henry VIII’s six wives in History! We have also completed our story settings and in our Can Do Maths lessons—learning all about pictograms”

Year 3

“We have had a super week and today has been fantastic! We loved our Egyptian workshop and learnt so many amazing facts! The mummification part of the workshop was gross! We loved the drama activities and enjoyed dressing up too—thank you to our parents for the amazing costumes”

Year 4

“This week we have been working so hard on our mythical writing and have been thinking really carefully about our vocabulary and word choices. On Monday, we enjoyed whittling in Outdoor Learning and had a fantastic biscuit tasting session in DT”

Year 5

“We have had a busy week beginning to explore Kennings poems in Writing. We have started collecting our own vocabulary based on the Vikings ready to write our own. In History, we have been looking at the push and pull factors of why the Anglo-Saxons came to Britain!”

Year 6

“This week we have been working hard in the final push before our SATS exams—which are now only a week away! We have also enjoyed learning about Tudor crime and punishment investigating different methods of Tudor torture and discovering just how terrible they were!”

Clubs—Term 5

**ALL clubs start next week—
week beginning 13th April and
run for the next 5 weeks!**

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

Mondays

Athletics —Year R, 1 & 2

Dance—Year 3, 4, 5 & 6

Ultimate Frisbee—Year 2, 3 & 4

Tuesdays

Tag Rugby—Year 5 & 6

Wonderball —all Year groups

Wednesday

Tag Rugby —Year R & 1

Rounders —Year 3, 4, 5 & 6

Games club—Year 2, 3, 4

Scratch Ipads— Year 1 & 2

Yoga— Year 2, 3, 4, 5

Thursday

Lego and Construction —Year 1 & 2

**Please pay for any clubs on
ParentPay ASAP if necessary**

Stars of the Week

Congratulations to: Serah,
Olunso, Estella, Oyine, Harvey,
Ezra and Zainabou, who were
awarded Star of the Week

thisweek! Well done! Keep it up!

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Attendance

Well done to our Year 4 class who were awarded the Attendance Cup for 98% attendance last week! Keep this up!

#everymomentmatters

Coney Community Picnic



A reminder that next week—we will be holding our annual Coney Community Picnic on **Thursday 7th May on the school field from 12.15pm**. Please see the email / letter that was sent out last week.

Behaviour

The Behaviour Cup and Behaviour Bear were awarded to Year 3, 5 and Year 2 this week!

Well done everyone!

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Swimming lessons



Next week—parents of children in Key Stage 2 will be receiving further information about which days their child will be swimming on later this term. A reminder please for payment to be made on ParentPay for the lessons and double check the kit list of what your child will be expected to bring with them each day (see original email—sent last week)

GALLERY



**Year 5
Outdoor
Learning**

**Egyptian
Day—Year
3**



**Stars of
the Week**



Thank you for choosing our school, we hope you and your child will be very happy here. We just wanted to say a huge welcome to you all. And give you some dates for your diary for more school information and transition into school. You may like to join our Facebook page as it will tell you even more about our school.

30th April—Ready for School coffee morning—9.00am

7th May—School Information Evening—5.30pm to visit the classroom, 6.00pm—information meeting. Please let us know if you will be attending as there is a lot of information given at this meeting.

8th June—Story Session for group A (with parents) - 2.45-3.15pm

10th June—Story Session for group B (with parents) - 2.45-3.15pm

12th June—Teddy Bear's picnic—11.00-12.00

15th June—Stay and Play Session for group A (with parents) - 9.30-11.00am

18th June—Stay and Play Session for group B (with parents) - 9.30-11.00am

19th June—Parent and Child Lunch taster Session followed by **Forest School Session—1.30-2.00pm—lunch, 2.00-2.45pm—Forest School** (you are welcome to one session or both)

2nd July—Transition Session (without parents) - group A—9.15-10.30am, group B—10.45-12.00



SNAIL RACE



THURSDAY 21ST MAY
3:30 - 4:30

50p per bet

Burgers & Hotdogs
£2.50





**Saturday
9th May 2026**

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