



# Weekly Bulletin

*With kindness, respect and gratitude, together we aim high in all we do*

## Headteacher's message:

It has been another busy week of curriculum learning complimented by some fantastic sporting and musical activities.

Parents and Year 2 were treated on Monday to an impressive RockSteady concert and our Y5/6 athletes gave a brilliant performance on Wednesday securing 5th place (out of 12 schools) at the Ellesmere Port SSP Athletics final. Thanks again to parent volunteers for helping with transport and cheering our team on.

Also on Wednesday Y3/4 competed in a new age Kurling (NAK) intra tournament.

Please note that parents' evening bookings are now open and will close Monday 12th February at 12pm, link [to School Spider for Parents evening](#).

Club enrolment is also now open for next half term with a closing date of Tuesday 13th February at 4pm. This will allow us time to confirm places before we break up for half term, [link for club enrolment](#).

Next week our choir take part in the Young Voices concert which I am sure will be a fantastic experience.

Adam Khan—Headteacher



## Nicola Brown shares a special message

On Tuesday we were joined by Nicola Brown from Helsby Methodist Church. Nicola led an assembly, including several of our children on 'Candlemas' - marking the return of light, a symbol of protection and prosperity.



## Rock Steady Rockstars!

Our three separate RockSteady bands performed a short concert on Monday for their parents and special guests, Year 2. Kostas, their teacher, spoke

very proudly how every musician has worked hard on their individual performances and working in together as a band.



## Additional gymnastics coaching



Years 3 and 6 had their opportunity for some specialist gymnastics coaching on Wednesday morning.

We strive to offer as many additional experiences for our children and this is an example. Thanks again to Sports Coaching Group for providing this half term's lessons.



## Eco warrior Kimaya strikes again!

Over the weekend, Kimaya (Y3), sporting her pink fluffy hat, planted some trees in Frodsham Woods. She's looking forward to going back years from now to see if the trees have grown taller than her!



If you are interested, the next event is Saturday 9th March, details are on the Woodland Trust website [here](#). Thanks for sending this in Kimaya and keep up the great work.

## Important Dates 2024

8th February—Movie Night

14th and 15th February—Parents' Evenings

16th February—Break up at 3.15pm for Half Term

26th February—Children return to school

28th March—Break up for Easter at 2pm

## Contact details:

Please contact the school office to notify or request absence at: [admin@hillside.cheshire.sch.uk](mailto:admin@hillside.cheshire.sch.uk)

or call **01928 722 991** [Full School Diary](#) [Lunch Menu](#)

Website links: [School website](#) [Absence request](#)

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## Friend of Hillside

Our next event will be 'Movie Night' next Thursday 5.30pm—7.45pm. We will be showing the 2023 Film 'Wonka'. Please make sure that you have completed the parental permission online as this is a PG film.

[Please click here to consent to movie night](#)

PTA can be contacted on: [friend-sofhillsidefundraising@outlook.com](mailto:friend-sofhillsidefundraising@outlook.com)

[Click here for school lottery!](#)



## Hillside mum aims high to beat her best!

Hillside mum Cora Kendrick is running the London marathon in April for The Hospice of The Good Shepherd in appreciation of the care they gave to her dad. She needs to raise a total of £2500 and would appreciate as much help as possible from anyone who can help.



If you would like to support Cora, [please click this link](#).

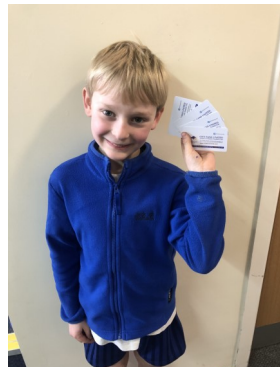
She ran the Helsby 4 villages 1/2 marathon on 21st January and got a fantastic PB of 01:38:26. In October, she ran her first ever marathon in 03:37 and her target for London is a sub 3hrs 30mins. We wish her the very best of luck.

## Jacob (Y3)

This term, Jacob has shown an excellent attitude and high levels of effort in PE lessons.

To acknowledge this, he has received 4 tickets to watch Chester FC play on Saturday.

Well done Jacob!



## Reading for Pleasure—Spring 2024

Mrs Potts, our Reading Champion, has continued to lead Hillside's drive to develop children's love of reading by arranging a number of events this Term. Next week, we will be holding another of our very popular 'Book Swaps' (details below).



Later this term, we will be celebrating World Book Day on 8th March. For a quirky change, the children (and adults) will be invited to 'Dress up as an adjective' for the day (eg artistic, sleepy, sparkly, magical, sporty, colourful, spotty, energetic, nocturnal, sunny, flamboyant! Further details to follow nearer the time.

## BOOKSWAP

Our next school book swap will be on **Thursday 8th February**



Bring a book and get a book!



Please hand in your old book(s) to your class teacher on Tuesday/Wednesday 6/7th February. Please note that they should be in good condition and be age appropriate for your class. You will then receive a token to "spend" on a new book at the *Swap Shop* on Thursday 8th February.

## Link Club

We now have places available in our before and after school provision. If you would like to use this provision or would like further information please email us at [linkclub@hillside.cheshire.sch.uk](mailto:linkclub@hillside.cheshire.sch.uk) more information can also be found on the [school website](#)



## Star Writers, Mathematicians and Lead Learners

Congratulation this week's special achievement winners. Next week we will be celebrating Star Readers and Hillside award winners.

