

Weekly Bulletin

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Headteacher's message:

We were very proud of our six Hillside girls who took part in the recent Britain's Got Talent semi-finals as part of the 134 strong Amazing Choir. Despite not progressing to the finals, it was an amazing experience and we celebrated them as winners in our Tuesday assembly. Thank you to all who voted for them and Mrs FC who took them down for the numerous rehearsals and performances.



After the Whit half-term break, we have hit the ground running on our 1st week back at Hillside. In addition to our core curriculum learning, children have been down at the school field preparing for the forthcoming sports day (Monday 17th June) and KS2 District Sports events.

On Wednesday, Year 6 had their 1st Dr Who music workshop. This involves them composing their own versions of the famous Dr Who theme tune culminating in a performance as part of Helsby High School's Summer Showcase on Thursday 11th July.

On Thursday, Mr Caldwell gave an assembly about the 80th commemoration of D-Day. Elsie and Sam (Y6) also read a poem on behalf of the school at St Pauls as part of their 80th Anniversary of D-Day service.

Thursday evening's Summer Disco was a great success. The children had a great time—thank you FOH volunteers and Hillside staff for helping. Please see Friends of Hillside's latest newsletter.

Can I please remind parents about next Tuesday evening's 'Screen Skills for Parents' talk held online at 8pm—please see information overleaf including how to register.

Adam Khan—Headteacher



Important Dates 2024

17th June—Sports Day : KS2 (10 am—12pm) KS1 (1.30 pm—3pm)

12th July—FOH Summer Fair

24th July—Break up for summer holiday at 2pm

Sport's Day—Olympic Team Theme

We value the views of our children and through pupil voice we have chosen a new format for our KS2 Sports Day this year. After discussion with each class, the vast majority of children loved the idea of a carousel of eight activities which they complete as a team.

We have also decided to link both our KS1 and KS2 Sports Day to the 2024 Paris Olympics, which takes place this summer. Please save the date for our very own Helsby Hillside Olympics, Monday 17th June. KS2 from 10am-11.30am and KS1 from 1.30pm till 3pm. Both will be at our Proffits Lane Field. There is limited parking available at the field so please arrive on foot if possible. Can any parents who do need to park please do so before 9.55am when the children will be walking in.



Reception Bug Ball

On Thursday, our Reception class of minibeast enjoyed an afternoon of activities, songs and minibeast snacks with their parents. The children enjoyed sharing their learning and had fun at our annual 'Bug Ball'!



Contact details:

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Transition arrangements for next year

It is really important to us that children are excited and prepared for their next class. This year, children will be spending a 'going up' day in their new classes on Tuesday 9th July.

Classes next year will be taught by the following teachers:

Reception: Miss Jagota

Year 1: Mrs Potts and Mrs Porter

Year 2: Mrs Fletcher-Curran and Mrs Porter

Year 3: Mr Caldwell

Year 4: Mrs Boudier and Mrs Williams

Year 5: Mrs Thomas

Year 6: Mr Newman

Miss Hughes will be taking the role of Learning Mentor which will extend her work as ELSA and pastoral support.

Current Year 6

Current Year 6 parents will have been notified by Helsby High of their transition to high school arrangements. The Helsby High School induction evening (for parents) take place on the 2nd and 3rd July.

All children will have two full transition days at the High School on the 8th and 9th July.

Year 1 and 3 Joint Bird Sculptures

This week, Year 1 and 3 have been creating a joint bird sculpture gallery showcasing their imaginative creations



Year 1 Visit to Norton Priory

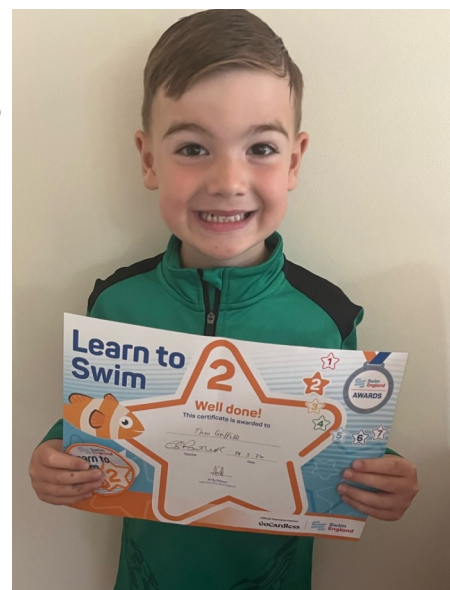
Year 1 enjoyed a trip to Norton Priory on Thursday. The sun shone all day so they were able to take their learning outside, studying plants and bees in the "secret garden" during the morning and watery habitats in the afternoon with some pond dipping. Many thanks to FOH for funding the coach to take us there!



Theo (Reception)

Over the half term Theo achieved his stage 2 swimming badge and certificate! He is very proud of himself after a bit of a rocky patch (after braking his arm where he lost his water confidence). He's now ready to start stage 3!

Well done Theo!



Reminder Screen Skills For Parents—Tuesday 11th June at 8pm

Screens have become a common part of children's lives - we feel the effects in school as we're sure you do at home. To support you and your children with screen time, and having a healthy relationship with screens, there is a **FREE Parents Screen Time zoom coming up on Tuesday 11th June**. The session aims to offer you structure around how to ready your children for a world lived more online.



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