



Headteacher's Bulletin

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Headteacher's message:

Last Monday, the whole school came together to enact our school values of respect and gratitude. Mrs Williams led a moving assembly in the hall where she explained why we use the poppy as a symbol of respect. She explained why we take two minutes out of our busy lives at 11am. Each class lit a candle as a sign of respect for the lives lost by soldiers in all wars. We then moved outside to complete the assembly at our remembrance garden. Ex pupil, Rose Butchers played the last post to mark our 2 minute silence and Mrs Williams read out the names of Helsby Soldiers and information the children had researched.



A new poppy, made by our reception children, labelled with each soldier's name was added to the remembrance garden and our choir sang 'We will remember them'. School councillors Lilly, Neave and Ella



also joined me at St Paul's Sunday Remembrance service where they laid a wreath on behalf of the school. It was lovely to see so many of our children there including Theo (Y1) representing Squirrels.

This morning, we welcomed Nicola Brown from Helsby Methodists Church in to school for an assembly on Advent. She explained how Advent relates to waiting and how in life, we all need to learn how to be patient.



As the colder weather is already upon us, please ensure children are coming into school dressed appropriately.

We always strive to get the children out in the fresh air (unless unsafe to do so) but we can't let them out if they do not have a warm coat.

Adam Khan—Headteacher

Headteacher's Tea

I was delighted to host headteacher's tea on Friday. Imogen, Ayla, Lewis (Y4) and George, Hollie and Edwyn (Y1) for some fruit, a biscuit and a chat about school. We talked about what they liked about playtimes and what they'd like to do more of.



Norton Priory

On Thursday, Year 5 visited Norton Priory as part of their Anglo-Saxon history study. Staff at Norton Priory complemented the children on their behaviour, manners and their interest in learning. The children (and Mrs Thomas) enjoyed dressing up for the day as Anglo-Saxons.



Friends of Hillside

We are very grateful to all those who helped at the end of term Friends of Hillside disco and to the Axford family and friends who organised the Halloween Bingo. The disco raised £441.91 and the bingo raised £486. Thank you!



PTA can be contacted on:
friendsofhillsidefundraising@outlook.com

[Click here for school lottery!](#)



Theo (Y1) and Mila (R)

Well done to Theo and Mila who have been working hard on their swimming. Both being moved up to the next stage of their swimming lessons.



We are always happy to share our children's successes out of school.

Parking at St Paul's Church

Can we ask that consideration is given to parishioners of St Paul's Church when Hillside parents are using the car park for drop off and pick-ups. Reverend McGarrigle has said that parents are welcome to use the car park but please ensure that the access to the church, particularly for elderly visitors is clear. If using the car park, please park away from the main entrance points.

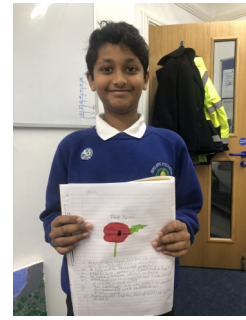
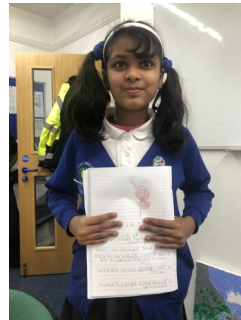
HoHo Helsby Teddy Tombola

We will be having our usual teddy tombola at HoHo Helsby this year. This is always a popular stall with the children and a great way to both recycle and to raise funds for school. Please could any donations of unwanted teddies for tombola be passed on to Mrs Potts by Thursday 28th November at the latest so that they can be prepped and ready in time for the big day.



Taking pride in their work

Last year, twins Christina and Emmanuel joined us from India. Here they are proudly sharing their work on Remembrance.



Coming soon at Helsby Methodist Church

May you receive the blessings and peace of our Lord and Saviour this Christmas

Sunday 15th December
10.30am Community Carol Service

Wednesday 25th December - Christmas Day
10.00am Christmas Family Celebration

Push the Noise
Join the Love Song
this Christmas

Christmas Eve 4pm

Why not start your Christmas with our short, beautiful Christingle service where we will explore the nativity with our story 'The Shiny Bright Sparkling Light', sing some well-loved Christmas songs, and light our Christingle oranges.

No need to book just turn up on the day.



Christingle Service:
Helsby Methodist Church,
24th December, 4pm.

All are welcome!

Helsby Methodist Church Chester Road, Helsby WA6 6AQ

Diary Dates 2024:

- 10th December—KS1 Nativity—Afternoon
- 11th December—KS1 Nativity—Evening
- 13th December—Nasal Flu Vaccines
- 18th December—Panto in School
- 18th December—KS2 Christmas Production—Evening
- 19th December—KS2 Christmas Production—Afternoon
- 20th December—Carols Around the Tree Assembly (1pm)
- 20th December—Finish for Christmas Holidays (2pm)

Contact details:

Please contact the school office to notify or request absence at: admin@hillside.cheshire.sch.uk

or call **01928 722 991**

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

[Administering medicine consent](#) [Lunch Menu](#)

[Family Support Information](#) [Full School Diary](#)

Link Club

We have places available in our before and after school club. If you would like to use this provision or would like further information please email us at

linkclub@hillside.cheshire.sch.uk

more information can also be found on the [school website](#)



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