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Hillside Values

- Trying our best every day.
- Kindness and honesty always.
- Working as a Hillside Team.
- Using good manners.

Headteacher update:

Nursery have been very busy in the garden this week planting lots of seeds and plants - thank you for all of your donations! In literacy we have begun our new story of the Enormous turnip and have been learning new vocabulary from the story. In maths we have been exploring making marks to represent numbers, learning about tally charts and how to record amounts on them. The children have done an amazing job of grouping the vegetables and recording how many we had of each vegetable.

This week in reception the children have been looking at the story The Three Little pigs. The children have been role playing the story in small groups. In maths they have been looking at numbers beyond ten (11-20) and matching them to quantities using numicon, ten frames and cubes.

This week Year 1 have loved planning their own version of Cinderella, changing the characters and thinking of some adjectives to describe them. In maths they have shown how to confidently share into equal groups. A highlight of the week was our trip to the Library. They were shown how to use the library and even told about a Lego club which they can attend every Saturday for free if they book!. Well done Year 1.

This week in Year 2, the children have enjoyed watching their radish plants grow and noticing the changes each day. We visited Northwood Hills Library, where the children showed excellent Hillside manners and enjoyed exploring different books. In Maths, we have been learning about money and have been exploring different ways to make amounts using coins.

Please look out for the workshops we are running over the next few weeks, These are information sessions about the phonics screening check and supporting your child to develop their speech and language skills.

Have an enjoyable weekend.

Mrs Rebecca Fennell

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Headteacher

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General Information

Can you help? Playground Improvements

Hillside is looking for parent helpers to support some outdoor improvement tasks, including:

- Sanding benches
- Sanding metal handrails
- General tidy-up
- Painting benches and railings

Dates and times:

Friday 15th May, 3:30–6:00pm

Children may attend after-school club free of charge during this time.

Saturday 16th May, 9:00am–12:00pm

Children are welcome to attend but will remain your responsibility. If you are able to help on either day—even for part of the time—it would be greatly appreciated. Please sign up using the following link:

<https://forms.gle/KeWxz79A3WMJC1jm9>

Thank you for your support.

Star Readers Update

A huge congratulations to **Red Class**, who have won the Star Readers title for the third week in a row—a fantastic achievement!



This week's reading results are:

- Red Class – 84%
- Purple Class – 77.2%
- Silver Class – 71.4%
- Blue Class – 68%
- Gold Class – 60.7%
- Green Class – 50%

Well done to all classes for your continued effort in reading at home. It's wonderful to see so many children developing positive reading habits—keep it up!.

As an extra incentive this term, children who consistently read three times a week or more, with this recorded in their reading records by an adult, will be rewarded with a special inflatable party in July. Be sure to keep reading regularly and logging it—every session counts!

Library Visit

This week, Year 1 and Year 2 enjoyed a visit to Northwood Hills Library, where they learned all about how the library works. The children discovered how to join, how many books they can borrow at one time, and had the opportunity to listen to a story shared by the library staff. If you would like to sign your child up to the library, membership is completely free. You can register by following this link:

<https://pre.hillingdon.gov.uk/libraries/library-membership>

Coffee Morning

We would like to invite all parents and carers to attend a coffee morning on developing speech and language on **19th May at 9:00am**. This session will share helpful tips and practical ways you can support your child's speech and language development at home. We look forward to seeing you there!

Class Photos

Information was sent out earlier this week regarding class photos, which are now ready for you to order directly from Vancols.

If you would like to place an order, please do so via Vancols. **The deadline to receive free delivery to school is 12th May.**

Please note, this is the order deadline only—photos will not be delivered on this date.

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Healthy Eating & Birthday Book Donations

This week we would like to wish **Martin** a very Happy Birthday to and who recently celebrated their special day!. As part of our Birthday Book Scheme, they kindly donated the following books to our school:

The Scarecrows Wedding by Julia Donaldson & Axel Scheffler

The Ugly Duckling by Ian Beck

The Runaway Tractor by Heather Amery

Silly Dizzy Dinosaur by Jack Tickle

You're too small by Shen Roddie & Steve Lavis



Important Dates

May	4th May		Early May Bank Holiday School Closed
	Wednesday 6 th		Drama workshop - Nursery, Reception and Year 1
	Thursday 7 th	2:45pm	Year 1 – Phonics meeting
	Wednesday 13 th		Problem Solving Company - Maths
	Friday 15 th	9am	Blue Class Assembly
	Thursday 21 st		Themed Dining (Census Day)
HALF TERM Monday 25th May – Friday 29th May			
June	Monday 8 th		Deadline for Numeracy day competition entries
	Wednesday 10 th	3:45pm	Nursery Stay and play for new Nursery Children
	Monday 15 th		Lego Robotics - Year 1 & 2
	Thursday 18 th		Year 2 - Neasden Temple
	Tuesday 23 rd		Reception - Paradise Wildlife Park
	Wednesday 24 th		Year 1 - Kew Gardens
	Friday 26 th	9am	Purple Class assembly
	Monday 30 th	9:15am	Hearing & Vision - Reception
July	Wednesday 1 st	AM & PM	Reception & Nursery Sports Day
	Thursday 2 nd	9:15am	Year 1 & Year 2 Sports Day
	Monday 6 th - 13 th		Book Fair
	Tuesday 7 th		Transition Day
	Wednesday 8 th	3:15pm	Hillside Art Exhibition
	Thursday 9 th	9:15am	Reserve Reception, Year 1 & Year 2 Sports Day
	Thursday 16 th	9am	Year 2 Leavers Assembly
	Thursday 16 th		End of Term parties
	Thursday 16 th	11:30am/3:30pm	Nursery Term Ends
	Friday 17 th	1:30pm	Term Ends
	Monday 20 th		Staff Training Day (School closed to pupils)
Tuesday 21 st		Staff Training Day (School closed to pupils)	

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Achievements

<u>Nursery Super Stars:</u>	<u>Purple Class Super Stars:</u>	<u>Red Class Super Stars:</u>
Areeza	Nala	Darcie
Elijah	Alfie	Freddie
Mohammed	Hudson	Ada
<u>Blue Class Super Stars:</u>	<u>Green Class Super Stars:</u>	<u>Silver Class Super Stars:</u>
Diego	Rut	Samaira
Reyyan	Isobel	Sidrah
Filipe	Eduardo	Victoria
<u>Gold Class Super Stars:</u>	<u>Lunchtime Awards</u>	
Danaya	Isai	
Hellena	Bianca	
Estera		
<u>Gold awards</u>	<u>Silver awards</u>	<u>Silver awards</u>
	Diego Nicolas	Amelia
	Marisa Salva	Nala
	Aaron Yara	
	Ana Danny	
	Gabriel Ariah	

Weekly Attendance

Each week we award the class with the highest attendance. We aim for at least 96% attendance, as regular attendance helps children feel secure, build friendships, and make the most of their learning opportunities, supporting their wellbeing and overall development. This week, **Silver** class were awarded the Attendance Bunny with **98.41%** attendance. Well done **Silver** Class!

GOLD CLASS 96.03%
SILVER CLASS 98.41%
RED CLASS 94.67%
GREEN CLASS 98.21%
PURPLE CLASS 96.62%
BLUE Class 98.29%
N ALL DAY 90.67%
NAM 96.19%
NPM 89.29%

Attendance Ladder



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PROJECT PLAYGROUND

Let's work together to make our playground a place we can all be proud of!

SCHOOL WILL BE OPEN

FRIDAY 15TH MAY **AND** **SATURDAY 16TH MAY**

FOR PARENT VOLUNTEERS AND STAFF VOLUNTEERS

COME AND HELP TIDY UP AND BEGIN TO FRESHEN UP THE PLAYGROUND.

Many hands make light work!

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!