

# Hillside News



## Hillside Values

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

### Headteacher update:

Nursery have really enjoyed their topic book of the enormous turnip and have explored print using vegetables for painting. This week they have been very busy practising to write their names as well as forming letters recognisably and looking more closely at letter formation. The children have made a great effort with this - well done Nursery! They also made a trip through the car park up near the nature area where we collected leaves and had a go at leaf rubbing. They were very excited to see the leaves' patterns appearing on their papers!

This week in Reception have continued to look at the story The Three Little pigs. The children drew their own story maps of the story Three Little Pigs and labelled it. In maths they have been adding two numbers together using the ten frames. In Science they have been learning all about the life cycle of a Sunflower. This week they planted sunflower seeds.

We have only been in school for 4 days this week but Year 1 have had a great week. They began the week learning about imperative verbs and using what they have learnt to help them write instructions on how to make a jam sandwich. In maths they have mastered the fraction half and are ready to move on to quarters. They have enjoyed a drama and Yoga workshop and they have learnt about the different parts of a plant!. Wow we have been busy!

Year 2 have had a fantastic week! In English, the children wrote emotive poems inspired by Captain Robert Scott, using powerful vocabulary to express feelings and experiences. In Maths, the children enjoyed creating their own shops and practising how to work out change using money.

Next week children in year 2 will take part in the optional SATS tests. The tests will be completed in a very informal way within the class setting. Not all children complete all tests. Whilst SATS is not compulsory in year 2, there are optional tests schools can use to help with assessments and for children to develop exam technique.

### Carpark

I am very concerned about the use of the school car park after school. Parents are driving in to drop and pick up children from external clubs such as Portuguese and Kumon and are driving erratically. There are also children who are being allowed to run around the car park. We have reminded parents that this is dangerous and it still continues. As a result we are closing the car park for pick up from after school club and external clubs.

Have an enjoyable weekend.

Mrs Rebecca Fennell

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'R. Fennell'.

Headteacher

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## General Information

### **Support Hillside Infant School for FREE While You Shop Online!**

We're excited to share that Hillside Infant School is now registered with easyfundraising, which means you can raise FREE donations for our school every time you shop online.

Over 8,000 retailers — including brands such as M&S, Argos, eBay and John Lewis — will donate to the school when you shop through easyfundraising, at no extra cost to you.

**How You Can Help: sign up to support** our school:

👉 Click [here to support Hillside Infant School](#)

Add the Donation Reminder to your browser so you never miss an opportunity to donate while shopping online. Use easyfundraising on your mobile or tablet too! The Donation Reminder is also available on smartphones and tablets, making it even easier to support the school on the go. Thank you for supporting our fundraising efforts!



### **Star Readers Update**

A huge well done to **Blue Class**, who were awarded the Star Reader Cup in this morning's assembly. This week, an impressive **80%** of children in **Blue Class** read three times or more at home and recorded it in their reading record. Fantastic effort—keep up the great reading, **Blue Class!**



### **National Numeracy Day**

In support of National Numeracy Day, we are inviting everyone to take part in our maths picture competition. This year's theme is:

"How do people use numbers in your neighbourhood, club or community?"

We would love to see your creative entries showing how numbers are used in everyday life. **All entries must be submitted by 8th June.** The competition entry sheet can be found at the end of this newsletter if needed. It was also emailed on 1st May.

### **Attendance on Arbor Parent Portal and App**

The Attendance section within the Arbor Parent Portal and App is now live. Parents and carers can now view their child's attendance information in real time, including attendance percentages, authorised and unauthorised absences, and late marks. Key Features:

- View current attendance percentages and attendance marks
- Access a detailed attendance breakdown by date
- Monitor attendance patterns throughout the school year

#### **How to Access:**

- Log in to the Arbor Parent Portal or App.
- Select the Attendance section from the dashboard

Please note: the Arbor App is for viewing attendance information only. To report absences or discuss attendance matters, please contact the school directly.

### **Blue Class Assembly**

Blue Class assembly is on **Friday 15th May at 9:00am.** Parents and carers are warmly invited to attend. Please take your child to class as usual before coming round to the main office, where staff will direct you to the assembly. We look forward to welcoming you.

### **Non Uniform Day**

Thank you to everyone who supported our non-uniform day last week. Through your generous donations, **we raised an amazing £470** towards funding a sensory room for the school. A sensory room is a specially designed space that provides a calm and supportive environment for children, helping to support their wellbeing and individual needs. **THANK YOU** for your continued support and generosity!

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## Healthy Eating & Birthday Book Donations

This week we would like to wish **Ada** 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:

**Supertato - Happy Birthday Nitwit by Sue Hendra & Paul Linnet**



## Important Dates

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

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## Achievements

<b><u>Nursery Super Stars:</u></b>	<b><u>Purple Class Super Stars:</u></b>	<b><u>Red Class Super Stars:</u></b>
Saim	Sophia	Lana
Neo	Mazin	Zain
Ava	Anatasia	Nathan
<b><u>Blue Class Super Stars:</u></b>	<b><u>Green Class Super Stars:</u></b>	<b><u>Silver Class Super Stars:</u></b>
Yara	Sabrina	Alessia
Danny	Ansh	Sebi
Emilia	Lourenco	Thiago
<b><u>Gold Class Super Stars:</u></b>	<b><u>Lunchtime Awards</u></b>	
Ianis	Fatima	
Sofia	Denys	
David		
<b><u>Gold awards</u></b>	<b><u>Silver awards</u></b>	<b><u>Silver awards</u></b>
	Yahya      Matilde	
	Gabriel	
	Benjamim	
	Anastasia	
	Albert	

### 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 **99.5%** attendance. Well done **Silver Class!**

**GOLD CLASS 98.4 %**  
**SILVER CLASS 99.5%**  
**RED CLASS 97.7%**  
**GREEN CLASS 96.6%**  
**PURPLE CLASS 95.6%**  
**BLUE Class 99.4%**  
**N ALL DAY 95.6%**  
**NAM 81.6%**  
**NPM 94.2%**

### Attendance Ladder



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## Number Heroes Competition

**NN** National  
Numeracy  
Day

Name and age:

School and class:

How do people use numbers in your neighbourhood, club or community?

Write here

Draw here






Scan to visit  
the website.

Create a picture of how people use numbers in your neighbourhood, club or community, then ask a grown-up to upload your picture through our online form. Let your imagination run wild and win a fantastic prize for yourself and a prize bundle for your nursery, school or youth group!

For online entry and full terms and conditions visit:  
[www.nationalnumeracy.org.uk/number-heroes-competition](http://www.nationalnumeracy.org.uk/number-heroes-competition)

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## Community News



**WEALDSTONE YOUTH FC**


**SEND SOCCER SCHOOL**

FOR CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS AND DISABILITIES

ALL PLAYERS ARE SUPPORTED BY OUR CARING & EXPERIENCED FA QUALIFIED COACHES



**FOR CHILDREN AGED 4 - 8 (RECEPTION - YEAR 3)**

SCAN TO BOOK



SATURDAYS | 10AM - 11AM  
SUMMER @ WEALDSTONE FC  
WINTER @ GOALS RUISLIP

FOR ALL ENQUIRIES OR TO REQUEST A FREE TRIAL EMAIL  
[SOCCER.SCHOOL@WEALDSTONEYOUTHFC.CO.UK](mailto:SOCCER.SCHOOL@WEALDSTONEYOUTHFC.CO.UK)



**WEALDSTONE YOUTH FC**


**GIRLS SOCCER SCHOOL**

**AGED 4 - 11 (RECEPTION - YEAR 6)**

SATURDAYS | 9AM - 10AM

SUMMER @ WEALDSTONE FC  
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