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Week commencing: Monday 26<sup>th</sup> February 2024

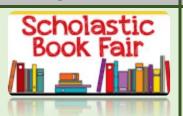


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FOR YOUR INFORMATION; at a glance	
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> March	<ul> <li>BOOK Fair in school ALL WEEK</li> <li>20 Year 1 children taking part in Balance Ability training, further sessions to follow later in the Year</li> <li>9.00am -11.30am; Headship Open morning – Your Views Matter, all parents welcome in KS1 Hall</li> </ul>
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> March	<ul> <li>3.45pm-7.15pm; Parent consultations taking place for ALL YEAR GROUPS</li> </ul>
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> March	<ul> <li>WORLD BOOK DAY. Children to wear school uniform but can bring a pillow, blanket, or soft toy along with a book</li> </ul>
Future Events	<ul> <li>Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March; PTFA Spring Disco</li> <li>Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March; Red Nose Day – Wear a red accessory</li> </ul>

### **READING**

We are delighted that the Scholastics Book Fair will be taking place in school, next



week, coinciding with World Book Day! Children will be able to choose a book, which parents will be able to pay for on collection of their child in the KS2 entrance. Payment will be taken through a QR Code which will be displayed around the book fair.

## **SAFEGUARDING**

Mobile phone use to be banned during the school day, including at break times, new guidance from the Department for Education recommends. The move will bring England in line with other countries that have already



implemented a ban, including France, Italy and Portugal. It follows warnings from the United Nations on the risks of smartphones in schools and government data that found around a third (29%) of secondary school pupils reported mobile phones being used when they were not supposed to in most, or all, lessons.



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### YEAR 4 HOLI HINDU ASSEMBLY

Our children in Year 4 will be performing their Holi Hindu assemblies on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March.



We hope as many Year
4 parents as possible
will be able to join us in the Key Stage One hall.

- 9.00am; Moles
- 2.30pm; Squirrels

### **WORK SHARING EVENING**

We would like to welcome all children and parents into school on **Thursday** 14<sup>th</sup> March at 3.20pm so you can look through your child's workbooks, to see



how their learning has progressed so far, this academic year.

Please make your way to your child's class through one of the two front doors where leadership members will be on hand to direct you.

## READING; WORLD BOOK DAY THURSDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> MARCH

To reflect our focus as a school on the importance of developing a love of reading, we will be celebrating World Book Day again this year with a number of events. Our plan is to host a **fun filled day of reading** which will include;

- A whole school Readathon; get comfy and read with a cuddly toy, cushion and or blanket
- Win a Golden Ticket with the PTFA Chocolate Bar
- An Author Hunt around our school field
- Bookmark making
- Charade playing in class (it's a book)
- Guess the book character quiz

This will be a school uniform day as usual. All monies raised through your generous donations on MCAS will fund new books for school (see separate letter for further details).



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#### **PARENT CONSULTATIONS**

We are delighted to be able to offer you an appointment to meet virtually with your child's class teacher on Wednesday 6<sup>TH</sup> March between 3.45pm and 7.15pm. *Appointments have been available to book since Monday 26<sup>th</sup> February.* 



**Our SENDCo, Mrs Stephanie Field** will also be available, virtually, on 6<sup>th</sup> March between 1pm and 5pm, and you can make an appointment, in advance, to meet with her should you wish. These appointments will be allocated on a first come, first served basis.

Please visit https://hillwest.schoolcloud.co.uk/ to book your appointment/s.

Our teaching staff very much look forward to meeting with you.

## TWEET/S OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to all the finalists and winners of BBC's 500 Words Competition!

Special congratulations to our very own Kit who got to meet The Queen, with his Mum.



Our KS1 Gymnastics Team were ready to represent school at the GMAC. We came 1st in floor as a Team, Ester came 3rd in Floor and Phoebe and Ameliè came joint 2nd in individual floor performance.





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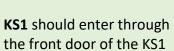


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### PTFA SPRING DISCO

Our Spring Disco is taking place on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March.

This is a **child ONLY event**, meaning parents can drop and go.



building at 5pm. The disco will end at 6.00pm when children can be collected from the main entrance.

**KS2** should enter through the front door of the KS2 building at 7.00pm. The disco will end at 8.30pm when children can be collected from the main entrance.

Sweets and Drinks will be on sale. Children should bring no more than £5.00 to spend and preferably less. It would be helpful if this could be in pound coins.

Please note – only those children currently attending Hill West will be permitted entry.

### **HEADSHIP OPEN MORNING**



We will be holding another Headship Open Morning this coming **Monday, 4<sup>th</sup> March.** Members of the leadership team will be available between 9.00am to 11.00am. Please come along to tell us about

- any positive feedback you have about our school
- any concerns you would like to raise
- any suggestions you would like to make.

We look forward to speaking to those who are able to attend.



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