

Hill West Weekly Bulletin


Kindness, Compassion, and Connection at the heart of 'Our School'

Week commencing: Monday 26th April 2024



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FOR YOUR INFORMATION; at a glance

Wednesday 1 st May	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Swimming begins for Year 5 and 6 non swimmers at Cardinal Wiseman School. Swimming will take place every Wednesday
Thursday 2 nd May	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Reception eye tests taking place in school
Friday 3 rd May 	<ul style="list-style-type: none">SCHOOL CLOSED for ALL PUPILS; ATLP TRAINING DAY
Monday 6 th May	<ul style="list-style-type: none">SCHOOL CLOSED for ALL PUPILS; Bank Holiday

HAPPY LONG BANK HOLIDAY WEEKEND

We would like to wish you all a very happy bank holiday weekend. We hope the sun shines brightly and you enjoy time as a family.

TWEET OF THE WEEK

Our new school build is due to commence at the end of May.

We are very excited to watch the works as they progress and will be issuing updates to parents in coming weeks. Our pupils will hopefully move into their new school in September 2025!



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SWIMMING



Due to circumstances out of our control, the 'pop up' pool located at Mere Green Primary School will no longer be used for our swimming lessons.

We have returned to our original provider 'Sue's Swim School' who will teach our non-swimmers in Year 5 and 6. These lessons will begin on Wednesday 1st May and will continue every Wednesday until children are able to swim 25 metres. If your child has been selected to take part in swimming lessons, please ensure that they **bring a towel and a swimming kit with them every Wednesday for their lessons.**

RECEPTION VISION SCREENING

Although serious vision problems during childhood are rare, routine eye checks are offered to newborn babies and young children to identify any problems early on.



Vision Screening will take place for our Reception children on Thursday 2nd May. If you would like more information regarding the checks that will take place, please follow the NHS link below.

www.nhs.uk/childrens-eyes

READING

The single biggest predictor of high academic achievement is reading to children.



Not flash cards, not workbooks, not fancy preschools, not flashing toys or computers, but Mum and Dad taking the time every day or night (or both) to sit and read them wonderful books.

SAFEGUARDING

Staying mentally healthy during exam time

As we head towards the main exam time it's worth thinking about how we can support young people at what can be a very stressful time. Young Minds have a series of support pages aimed to help with exam stress and anxiety. Their advice is available to help school staff, parents and carers and, of course, young people themselves. You can find this helpful advice at <https://www.youngminds.org.uk/parent/blog/how-to-help-your-child-manage-exam-stress/>



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CAN YOU HELP OUR RECEPTION TEAM?

We are currently seeking the following:

- Decking planks
- Wooden planks
- Outdoor storage
- Drain pipes
- Artificial Grass
- Tree stumps
- Cable reels
- Bicycle Wheels
- Water butt



In addition to this, we were wondering if any parents are aware of a local business that would be willing to donate any wood for us to create the structures shown:



Thank for your continued support. If you have any donations or contacts, please contact a member of the Early Years Team.



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