

Hill West Weekly Bulletin

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

Week commencing: Monday 25th November



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FOR YOUR INFORMATION; at a glance

Monday 25 th November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Design and Technology Day for all students
Wednesday 27 th November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Swimming for children in Years 4, 5 and 6
Thursday 28 th November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Flu Immunisations taking place in school
Friday 29 th November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ATLP TRAINING DAY - SCHOOL CLOSED TO ALL CHILDREN
Upcoming Events	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monday 2nd December to Friday 6th December – Year 5 children at Aberdovey Residential

SCHOOL CLOSED FRIDAY 29TH NOVEMBER



We would like to remind all parents that Hill West School is **CLOSED** to all pupils on Friday 29th November due to an ATLP Development Day. Children will be welcomed back into school on Monday 2nd December.



ABERDOVEY RESIDENTIAL VISIT



Children in upper Key Stage Two will be off on their adventures to the picturesque fishing village of Aberdovey on **Monday 2nd December**.

We wish them all a wonderful week away and look forward to welcoming them back on **Friday 6th December**.

CHOIR AT LICHFIELD CATHEDRAL

Four Oaks Cluster community carol service will be taking place on **Tuesday 3rd December** at **Lichfield Cathedral**. Our school choir will be taking part in a combined choir of children in this amazing festive event. If your child is participating in the event and you would like to purchase tickets, **please make payment through your MCAS app**.



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CHRISTINGLE

Our children will be visiting All Saints Church again this year for their Christingle Services. Christingle is a joyful celebration that brings families and communities together to share in the excitement of Advent and spread a message of hope.

Children in **Year 3, Year 4** and **Year 6** will be visiting on **Tuesday 3rd December**. Children in **Reception, Year 1** and **Year 2** will be visiting on **Thursday 5th December**. We are suggesting parents of children in Years **Reception** and **Year Six** join us if they wish to. Oranges should be brought to school on **Monday 2nd December please**, to decorate in readiness for the service.



YEAR 4 OPEN MORNINGS



Our **Year 4** open mornings will be taking place on **Wednesday 4th December for Squirrels** and **Friday 6th December for Moles**.

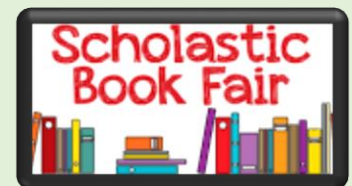
We will be holding these sessions in the **KS1 Hall**, and they will end with a tour around our school.

The session will provide you with an introduction to **My Happy**

Mind, a programme based around helping children to understand how their brain works and to support them in developing positive skills and habits to be their very best selves. We would love it if you could attend. If you are not able to come along yourself, then grandparents, other family members or family friends can attend in your place.

READING: SCHOLASTICS BOOK FAIR

This year scholastics book fair will be taking place in school, on **Monday 2nd December to Friday 6th December**.



Children will be able to choose a book, which parents will be able to pay for should they choose. For every book sold a contribution is made to school by Scholastics. Please support us if you can.



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ATTENDANCE

At this time of year, it can be tricky deciding whether or not to keep your child off school, nursery or playgroup when they're unwell.



Impetigo

If your child has impetigo, they'll need treatment from a pharmacist or GP, often with antibiotics. Keep them off school until all the sores have crusted over and healed, or for 48 hours after they start antibiotic treatment.

Measles

If your child has measles, they'll need to see a GP. Call the GP surgery before you go in, as measles can spread to others easily. Keep your child off school for at least 4 days from when the rash first appears. They should also avoid close contact with babies and anyone who is pregnant or has a weakened immune system.

Ringworm

If your child has ringworm, see your pharmacist unless it's on their scalp, in which case you should see a GP. It's fine for your child to go to school once they have started treatment.

Scarlet fever

If your child has scarlet fever, they'll need treatment with antibiotics from a GP. Otherwise they'll be infectious for 2 to 3 weeks. Your child can go back to school 24 hours after starting antibiotics.

SAFEGUARDING

Winter Water Safety

In winter, children and pets are particularly at risk when tempted to play on the ice formed on open water, and adults can find themselves at risk in attempting to save them.

KEEP BACK FROM THE EDGE Keep back from slippery banks. Stick to well-lit areas and plan your walks in daylight or along well-lit paths. Never go onto the ice.

KEEP CHILDREN AND DOGS WITHIN

REACH Teach children not to go onto ice. Keep dogs on a lead near ice and slippery banks. If out enjoying a winter walk, walk with friends.

IF YOU'RE IN TROUBLE FLOAT AND CALL FOR HELP. Stay calm, float on your back and call for help.

CALL 999 Do not enter cold water or ice to rescue.



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PTFA MOVIE NIGHT

CHILD ONLY EVENT
Friday 13th December



Movie; Snacks; Drink

Reception; 5.30pm- 7.30pm
Year 1; 5.30pm -7.30pm
Year 2; 5.30pm – 7.30pm

Movies; Donner The Christmas Movie / Postman Pat
Magic Christmas / Mickey Saves Santa

Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 - 5.45pm – 8.00pm
Movie: The Christmas Chronicles

Tickets are priced at £10per child
and are available on MCAS until
Friday 6th December



JOLLY JUMPER DAY

This year we will be supporting our chosen
Charity, **Birmingham's Hospice**

On **Friday 13th December**, we
will be taking
part in
**Birmingham's
Hospice 'Jolly
Jumper Day'**.

We're asking
families to
donate £2 (or
however much they can give), to support
families when they most need it. **Children
should wear a jolly jumper (Christmas themed
or otherwise) with their uniform.**
Donations can be made by following the
link below

www.justgiving.com/page/hill-west-primary-school-jolly-jumper



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XMAS Movie Night

Brought to you by Hill West PTFA

Date: 13th December

R. Y1 & Y2 5.30–7.30pm (Classrooms)

Films: 3 short films inc Mickey Saves Christmas / Postman Pat Magic Christmas / Donner the Christmas Movie

Year 3 & 4 5.45–8.00pm KS1 Hall

Year 5 & 6 5.45–8.00pm KS2 Hall

Film: The Christmas Chronicles

Tickets £10 per child

Pre Booking essential on MCAS app

Tickets sales will close Friday 6th December

Tickets inc: Movie / Hotdog / Sweets & Drink

Allergies will be catered for – please email Mrs George if you have any concerns

This is a child only event with teacher supervision.

Please drop off & collect from school premises



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EVENTS 2024/2025

18/09/2024	PTFA Book Sale
18/10/2024	Halloween Disco
13/12/2024	Xmas Movie Night
28/02/2025	Bingo Night (Adults Only Event)
07/03/2025	Talent Show
04/04/2025	Spring Disco (Children Only)
16/05/2025	Quiz Night (Children Only)
13/06/2025	Quiz Night (Adult Only Event)
11/07/2025	Summer Party

Further events and fundraising will be conducted throughout the year.

Look out for posters around school, whatsapp updates or social media posts for further information about all our events. Facebook: @hillwestprimaryschool X: @HillWestPTFA



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All Saints Four Oaks Handmade Craft Fayre



Saturday 14th December

10am to 4pm

Leather Goods

Fabric Bags

Children's Photographer

Christmas Decorations

Knitted Novelties

Artwork

Homemade Jams and Mincemeat

Guess the weight of the cake

Christmas Plants

Cinnamon Buns

Lucky Dip



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ALL SAINTS'
FOUR OAKS
**CHRISTMAS TREE
FESTIVAL**
13th - 15th DECEMBER 2024

FRI 10-3PM SAT 10-4PM SUN 11-4PM

HO HO HO

COME ALONG AND JOIN THE FESTIVITIES WITH
OUR CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES DAILY
ON SATURDAY THERE WILL BE A CRAFT FAYRE &
SANTA'S GROTTTO WILL BE OPEN 10.30 - 3.30

CAN YOU FOLLOW
THE SNOWMAN TRAIL
TO WIN A PRIZE?

VOTE FOR YOUR
FAVOURITE TREE

DELICIOUS FESTIVE
REFRESHMENTS
SERVED ALL DAY

NO NEED TO BOOK TICKETS - JUST TURN UP ON THE DAY



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