



# Hillside Junior School Weekly Bulletin



Friday 26th November 2021

## Message from The Headteacher

***"The only thing better than singing is more singing."***

Christmas arrived in Northwood Hills last weekend with the turning on of the lights. An estimated 100 children turned up from the school to perform in front of a large audience. We were so proud of all the children who sang with such enthusiasm and festive spirit. This was an amazing turn out with great support from the audience. Thank you to all the parents and staff who attended. This underlines how much we value our part in the local community.

I have been asked this week about the reported increase in national Covid cases. We will continue to follow our risk assessment and as mentioned at the start of the term, we have a contingency plan. Whilst the plan is to allow limited numbers of parents to the production and carol service, this may change if there is an escalation in local cases and we receive new guidance. We will keep you informed.

Have a safe and restful weekend.  
Mr. Davies

## Christmas Production

The children are busy rehearsing for our Christmas Production 'Bah Humbug!'. There will be two evening performances on the following dates:

**Monday 13<sup>th</sup> December at 7pm – Cast 1 (3K, 4S, 5R, 6ST)**

**Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> December at 7pm – Cast 2 (3O, 4J, 5S, 6JO)**

Due to ongoing Covid restrictions, we are being very cautious and inviting only **one adult per family to watch their child's performance**. We hope you understand and support our decision; we want to keep everyone as safe as possible. **Further information regarding the performance has been emailed to parents today.**



## Be Bright Be Seen

### Dress-up Day

On **Friday 3rd December**, we will be celebrating **Be Bright Be Seen Day** at Hillside Junior School. As we move into the winter months, it becomes darker at the start and end of the day. The number of road accidents increases during this period, so we urge everyone to think about what they are wearing - **BE BRIGHT BE SEEN!** Children can come to school wearing their brightest colours, this can include reflective and high visibility clothing if they have it.



# Book Fair— Monday 29th November—Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> December

We are holding a Scholastic Book Fair every day next week from 3.20pm until 4pm. There will be a fantastic selection of books and it may be an opportunity for you to buy some early Christmas presents! The school receives commission on sales, so it is a good opportunity to raise funds for the school. Please see below Information on how to pay. Thank you for your support.

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## ONLINE PAYMENT AT YOUR BOOK FAIR

**WHETHER YOU'RE ATTENDING THE BOOK FAIR IN PERSON OR ORDERING FROM HOME, YOU CAN NOW PAY FOR YOUR BOOKS SECURELY ONLINE**

Once you've selected your books, simply scan the QR code on the right or visit [bookfairs.scholastic.co.uk/pay](http://bookfairs.scholastic.co.uk/pay) and enter your school's name or postcode. Then, follow the instructions below based on where you're making your payment.



### OPTION 1

**I AM ATTENDING THE BOOK FAIR IN PERSON AND WOULD LIKE TO PAY AT THE FAIR**

On the Scholastic website, select 'I am paying at the Book Fair'. Enter your details, along with the total amount you are paying for your books. Once payment is complete, show your payment reference and the books you are purchasing to your Book Fair Organiser. Then, take your brand new books home!



### OPTION 2

**MY CHILD HAS ATTENDED THE BOOK FAIR AND ADDED BOOKS TO THEIR WISH LIST. I WOULD LIKE TO PURCHASE SOME/ALL OF THESE BOOKS**

On the Scholastic website, select 'I am paying for books from a Wish List'. Enter your details, along with the total amount you are paying for your books. Once payment is complete, forward your payment reference and details of the books you have purchased to your Book Fair Organiser at school. They will arrange getting your brand new books to you!

NAME:		CLASS:	
Information for Parents and Carers			
Please print clearly and legibly. All payments must be made in full by the date specified.			
Pay Online: Visit <a href="http://bookfairs.scholastic.co.uk/pay">bookfairs.scholastic.co.uk/pay</a>			
Your payment reference will be emailed to you.			

### OPTION 3

**I AM UNABLE TO ATTEND THE BOOK FAIR, BUT WOULD LIKE TO PURCHASE BOOKS FROM THE BOOK FAIR INVITATION**

On the Scholastic website, select 'I am unable to attend the Book Fair'. Type in the title of each book you'd like to purchase from the Book Fair Invitation and click 'Add'. Once you have finished adding your chosen books, click 'Confirm & pay' and enter your details. Once payment is received your books will be sent to the school for you to collect.\*

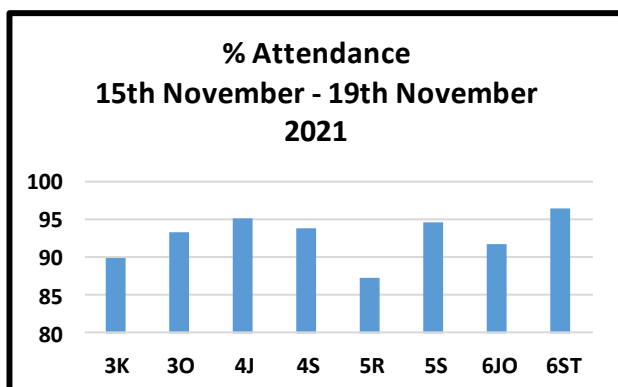
\*only titles listed on the Invitation can be purchased using this option.



To find the payment page on the Book Fair website, simply scan the QR code or visit [bookfairs.scholastic.co.uk/pay](http://bookfairs.scholastic.co.uk/pay)  
If you're unsure of which payment method to use, please speak to your Book Fair Organiser or visit [bookfairs.scholastic.co.uk/parents](http://bookfairs.scholastic.co.uk/parents)

## Attendance

Regular attendance at school is an important part of giving your child the best possible start in life. Our attendance target for all pupils at Hillside is 96% or above. Therefore, weekly class attendance figures will be displayed in the newsletter. If a class achieves 100% attendance, they will be awarded a non-uniform day the following week.



### ATTENDANCE AWARD



**WELL DONE 6ST!**



**6ST were last week's winners  
with 96.3% attendance!**

**They enjoyed 10 minutes extra  
play this week!**

## Achievements

Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Yasmin Daniel Muhammad Ema Mohammad B Martim (Bookmark) Rosie (Bookmark)	Duarte Archie Nasir Luana Dinis Mazen Abigail Harry (6Rs Certificate) Raisa (Bookmark) Andreea (Bookmark) Emilia (Bookmark) Mafalda (Bookmark) Archie (Bookmark)	Laila Alfie S Aashiyana Tania Eunice Jessie (Bookmark) Matei (Bookmark) Esil (Bookmark) Lilia (Bookmark)	Moses Om Madison C Akida Daniel Lilly Jasmine Victoria Zahra Ezra Diana (Bookmark)

Class Achievements
<b>Team Point Winners</b> Carew
<b>Walk To School</b> 5S
<b>Healthy Eating</b> 6JO

Times Table Awards					
Bronze	Silver	Moon	Earth	Moon	Sun
Pedro Tamiya			Achim Yasmin Elias Oliver D	Adele	
Platinum					
Star					
					



## Dates for your Diary

### Monday 29<sup>th</sup> November to Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> December

Please bring a gift for the Surprise Room. Any gifts are welcome although we do not accept alcohol. Please do not wrap your gift. Please note if your child does not bring in a gift, they will not be able to visit the Surprise Room on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> December to purchase a gift.

### Monday 29<sup>th</sup> December to Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> December

Book Fair 3.20pm—4pm.

### Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> December

**Christmas Surprise Room** - Children visit the Surprise Room to choose a gift and have it wrapped for someone special. Gifts are £2 each and payment is to be made via [Schoolgateway](#). Only children who provided a gift can purchase one.

### Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> December

In order to make our Christmas Fair a success, we would like to ask parents if they could donate these items; bottles of alcohol, soft drinks, shower gel, any bottles will do! Chocolate for the tombola. **Donations are very much appreciated no matter how big or how small!**

### Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December

**Christmas Jumper Day** – Children can come to school in non-school uniform, wearing their Christmas jumpers for a donation of £1 made payable via [Schoolgateway](#) for **Save the Children UK**.

**HCL Christmas Lunch** – If your child would like a Christmas Lunch, bookings should be made via [SchoolGrid](#). Please see the attached flyer for the menu. Please note due to the Christmas Lunch, the menu on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> December will change, please check you bookings. **Please note children can still have a packed lunch if they prefer.**

**Christmas Fair** – 3.00pm – 5.00pm – Please see the poster on the next page. Further information will follow soon.

### Monday 13<sup>th</sup> December

Cast 1 Christmas Production at 7pm (3K, 4S, 5R, 6ST)

### Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> December

Cast 2 Christmas Production at 7pm (3O, 4J, 5S, 6JO)

### Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December

**Carol Service** at Emmanuel Church at 10am – parents welcome.

**Last day of term. School finishes at 1:30pm.** There will be **no After School Club**.



# Hillside School Christmas Food Hall

WE NEED YOU!

Hillside has a brilliant range of different nationalities, we are hoping the fair can be used as an opportunity for the children to try different food from around the world.



We would like as many families as possible to set up a food stall in our 'food hall' with food from your home country. The cost of the table will be £20 and all profits made on your table are yours to keep.



**If you would like to set up a stall or help on the day please let your class rep know on the Class whatsapp group or send an email to [hillsideschoolsassociation@gmail.com](mailto:hillsideschoolsassociation@gmail.com)**