



Friday Flyer 8th Sept 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back, it has been wonderful to see you all this week and welcome your children back into school. We would like to say a huge welcome to our new families and foundation children who have made a fantastic start to their school journey.

I have had the privilege of being in Foundation lots this week and meeting all our new children-I think I know all their names already! I have also been visiting the other classes, hearing about their holidays and seeing the learning that has already taken place. Well done children, you have all made a fantastic start.

Please can I remind you that the school doors open at 8.40am and close at 8.50am. If you are in the bottom playground, please feel free to use the whole of the space, including beyond the brown picket fence. Please note, if you arrive between 8.50am—9.00am, your child will be marked as late. If you arrive after 9.00am, your child will be marked as having an Unauthorised Absence for the morning session. Please be aware, lateness does affect their overall school attendance percentage.

A reminder about our school uniform; it is very important that our children attend wearing the correct uniform on both school uniform and PE kit days. If you are unsure, our school uniform consists of: a white polo shirt or shirt, grey trousers/grey skirt/grey school shorts/ grey pinafore, a red cardigan, red fleece or red jumper. On a PE day children need to wear black shorts/black joggers/ black leggings and a plain red (or white) polo shirt/t-shirt and their school jumper/cardigan/fleece. For PE the children can wear trainers to school and they need to be able to do these up themselves.

Please remember to send your child to school with a drinks bottle each day- containing water and a healthy snack such as fruit, crackers (not crisps/chocolate). Please also remember we are a nut free school, so no nuts are allowed.

Our next Parent Forum is on Friday 6th October at 2pm, if you can make it that would be fantastic- it is a chance to meet other parents/carers and talk about our school, as well as find out about what we are doing as part of our curriculum and learning.

Our whole staff team look forward to working with you this term. Please contact Tracy in the office if you need anything, or to arrange a meeting/ find out information, we are always happy to help.

Best wishes and I hope you all have a lovely weekend filled with sunshine.

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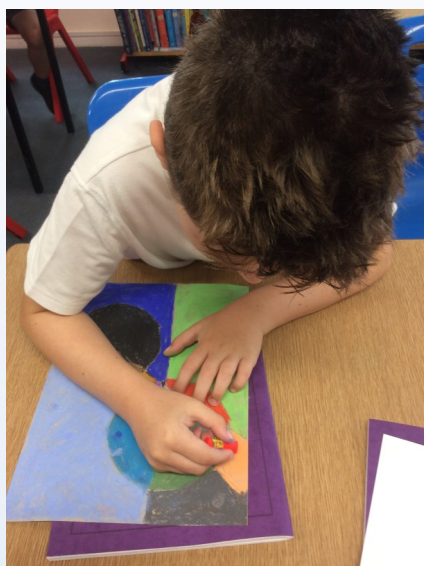
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We would like to extend our warmest welcome and huge congratulations to all of the new children in Hillhead Class who have had a fantastic first week at school! The children have been busy learning routines, rules, names and locations. We have had fun playing, painting, singing, enjoying stories and sharing their beautiful summer scrap books. We hope that all of the children and families of Hillhead Class have a well-earned rest this weekend, whilst enjoying the sunshine, before another brilliant week next week!

Year 4 started the year by chatting about class rules. We then thought about how we could apply rules to our art work. Using the rule 2 circles and 3 lines we created our individual pieces of work with oil pastels.



School Photo's

On Tuesday 12th & Wednesday 13th, the photographer will be coming in the morning to take individual photo's of the children. She will be taking pictures of siblings, so if you would like a younger sibling to be included in the shot, you would need to be at school by 8.30am on the Tuesday morning. Please let Tracy know you would like this to happen so she can organise it.

If they have PE either day, they can either do PE in school uniform, or bring their PE kit to change into.



For Foundation and Year One Classes

We would be very grateful if you could donate the following if you have spare or having a clear out:

- Shawl
- Dollies, dolls clothes, accessories
- Cars, car garage,
- Small toy animals
- Puzzles
- Role play equipment for the Home Corner: kitchen utensils, plastic food etc.

Thank you

AMAZING achievement from every class – far exceeded expectations – everyone worked so hard and the results were outstanding!! Be very proud!

I especially loved the creativity and the confident can-do outlook... lots of willingness to try new foods and A LOT of fun and happy memories.

I know I can't quite capture the magic that shines during these days but it's exceptional.



Reception had the chance to commemorate the King's Coronation by throwing a right royal party. They worked in groups to create and organise a street party table with their Victoria sponges, Coronation trifles and sausage rolls. Plus invitations, tablecloths and bunting of course!

Cooking In School

Year 1 and 2 celebrated the British Nutrition Foundation's Healthy Eating Week by rising to the challenge of designing and making a cereal bar – based on 'Focus on Fibre' and 'Get a least 5 A DAY'. Will their bar make the supermarket shelves?



In Year 3, they worked in groups to set up a 'pop up' vegetarian restaurant to celebrate 'National Vegetarian Week'. The core menu was 'Fabulous Fruit Salad', 'Perfect Plant Salad' and apple crumble. Each group had the exciting opportunity to be creative with recipes as well as with their restaurant!



Year 4's have been learning about rivers and their cooking challenge was to use a variety of fish local to the area and make fish and chips, with sides (homemade tartare sauce and mushy peas). They worked brilliantly in groups to set up their own fish and chip shop!



Year 5/6's budding, busy young chef's supported their local countryside and farming unit (while also having some much needed fun after SATs!) with aiming to be the best local restaurant/café/picnic takeaway for a Devon cream afternoon tea – offering local honey scones, homemade jam, Devon apple cake and clotted cream biscuits!

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Dear Parents and Carers,

You may have seen recent media coverage regarding Reinforced Autoclaved Aerated Concrete (RAAC) and its use in educational settings. RAAC is a lightweight form of concrete; because it is weaker than regular concrete, concerns have been raised about its long-term durability. Department for Education (DfE) has recently changed its guidance to education settings on the management of RAAC to take a more precautionary approach and as a result areas in affected spaces will be vacated.

We wanted to inform you that we are not affected by this decision as we do not have RAAC in any of our buildings and therefore they will continue to function as normal. We understand that parents may want to understand more about the support to educational settings to manage RAAC safely. You can read more through the article published by the DfE on the Education Hub.

I hope that this offers reassurance.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs L. French

Head Teacher



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Star of The Week

- Hillhead: whole class
- Ennaton: whole class
- Dunwell: whole class
- Ladywell: whole class
- Venn: whole class
- Earlscombe: whole class



Parent/Carer Forum

Thank you to all of the parents/carers who attended the previous forum.

We welcome feedback from you all and would like you to come into school on Friday 6th October at 2.00pm.

This is a chance for us to go through ideas, discuss what we're doing well (so we can keep on doing it!) and to take on board feedback.



Please let Tracy in the office know if you will be attending.



HARVEST FESTIVAL

Thursday 19th Oct @ 1.45pm

Hillhead Farm



We will be celebrating this festival with the children and invite you to join us.

Donations of food (not chilled) will be gratefully received week commencing 16th Oct. Please bring to the office. All food will be donated to charity.

(Thank you to Mr Johns and Dr Stephen for hosting)



This September Greener Ugborough Parish is celebrating 4 years of activity at the heart of our community. Please join us on the evening of Tuesday 19th September to learn about and celebrate the local achievements linked to this vision, and to explore potential future sustainability initiatives for our community. This marks the return of entirely open meetings for the foreseeable future - ie not just the Steering Group putting heads together, but anyone being welcome to come along and join in the conversation.

You may have thoughts on what you feel would really help make our community more sustainable; you may have ideas on which initiatives we as a community should focus on. Equally you may simply be curious...All welcome! Please come along and join us in the spirit of celebration and to consider together the next steps of G-UP. There may even be cake!

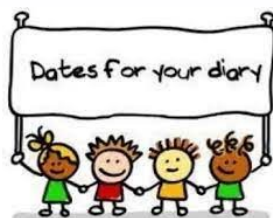
Tues 19th Sept | Ugborough Village Hall | 7:30pm | ALL WELCOME



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Date	Event
Tuesday 12th & Weds 13th Sept	School Photos
Wednesday 13th Sept	Year 6 ICC Singing Workshop
Friday 15th Sept	Years 4 & 5 Swimming
Friday 22nd Sept	Years 4 & 5 Swimming
Friday 29th Sept	Years 4 & 5 Swimming
Friday 6th Oct	Years 4 & 5 Swimming
Friday 6th Oct	Parent Forum 2.00pm (all parents/carers welcome, please advise school if you plan to attend)
Monday 9th Oct	Year 6 Junior Life Skills AM at Ivybridge Leisure Ctr
Thursday 19th Oct	Harvest Festival 1.45pm at Hillhead Farm
Mon 23rd—30th Oct inc	Half Term
Tues 31st Oct	First Day Back
Tues 19th Dec—2nd Jan 2024	Christmas Holiday
Weds 3rd Jan 2024	First Day Back Spring Term
Mon 12th—19th inc Feb	Half Term
Tue 20th Feb	First Day Back
Fri 29th Mar—12th Apr Inc	Easter Holiday
Mon 15th April	First Day Back Summer Term
May 6th	Bank Holiday—School Closed
Mon 27th—Fri 31st May	Half Term
Mon 3rd June	First Day Back
Fri 19th July 2024	Last Day of Term



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