



11 November 2016

## HILLSIDE ACADEMY NEWSLETTER

*Welcome to this week's Newsletter.*

Dear Parents / carers



Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November is Children in Need day. It will be non-uniform day at Hillside Academy on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November, children are asked to donate £1 for this.

### ANTI-BULLYING WEEK

National anti-bullying week takes place 14<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> November. To help us to promote anti-bullying, Buddy the Panda will be visiting Hillside on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November to speak to children in our Friday assembly.

### DESIGN A CHRISTMAS CARD COMPETITION

Cool Milk are running a design a Christmas Card competition. Prizes of £50 Amazon gift cards are up for grabs! Entry forms will be sent out to children today, they need to be returned to Cool Milk by Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November. They need to be sent to FREEPOST, COOL MILK – no further address required.

### SCHOOL UNIFORM

I am pleased to announce that Reach 4 have agreed to purchase 1 jumper and 1 polo shirt for each child. This is fantastic and I'm sure that you will all be pleased with this news. Can I urge you to send in your uniform order sheet on Monday if you have not already done so, as uniform orders will be placed on Monday. I have re-attached the order form to this newsletter for your convenience.

If you wish to purchase any other uniform items, they are available from [Tesco.com](http://Tesco.com)

### OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

We will be running operation Christmas child this year – this is the shoe box appeal that will reach children worldwide with the good news of God's love and the true meaning of Christmas. More information about this can be found at [www.samaritans-purse.org.uk](http://www.samaritans-purse.org.uk) Boxes are available from the school office, including a list of ideas of what to put in your shoe boxes.

### MARVELLOUS ME

We had a successful launch of Marvellous Me on Wednesday 9 November by Mrs Pritchard. All children should now have their unique log in codes for parents to access. Please see Mrs Bann in the school office if you have not received your code.

### FRIENDS OF HILLSIDE

Friends of Hillside have done us proud over the past few months with their hard work and dedication in raising funds.

I am pleased to announce that the Friends of Hillside have raised a fantastic £909.63 over the past few months, with £660.25 of that raised at the Stars in Our Eyes event.

Thank you so much to everyone who is involved with Friends of Hillside.

### CELEBRATIONS

#### Attendance Awards

1<sup>st</sup> Place Skylarks

2<sup>nd</sup> Place Puffins

3<sup>rd</sup> Place Kingfishers

4<sup>th</sup> Place Woodpeckers

Whole school attendance 71%



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**REMINDERS:**

**AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS**

Our usual sports after school clubs are still running on Thursdays and Fridays.

Cheerleading Club, run by Miss Davies, takes place on Mondays 3.15 – 4.30.

Hillside Choir after school club, run by Mr Cambell, runs on Wednesdays 3.15 – 4.15. This is open to Years 3-6.

**POPPY APPEAL**

Hillside Academy is supporting the Poppy Appeal. Various poppy appeal items are now for sale. Please support this worthy cause.

**PARENT QUESTIONNAIRE**

A parent questionnaire was sent out yesterday, please can all parents complete this and return to school as soon as possible. If you need another copy of the questionnaire sheet, please see Mrs Bann or Mrs Lambert in the school office.

**TERM DATES 2016**

Friday 18 November: Children in Need day

Tuesday 22 November: School photo day

Monday 5 December: Christmas Concert dress rehearsal for grandparents and young children to attend. PM – time to be confirmed

Tuesday 6 December: Christmas concert 09.15

Wednesday 7 December: Christmas concert 09.15

Thursday 8 December: Christmas Panto

Monday 12 December: Christmas Craft Evening

Tues 13 December: Foundation Stage / KS1 Christmas party

Wednesday 14 December: KS2 Christmas party

Thurs 15 December: School Christmas Dinner

Friday 16 December: School closes for Christmas break

Tuesday 3 January 2017: School re-opens



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Please write any suggestions/ ideas on this slip and return it to school.

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**SCHOOL UNIFORM – to be returned no later than Monday 14 November**

Name of Child: .....

Class: .....

Please indicate what size your child requires (this will be either a jumper or a polo shirt)

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