

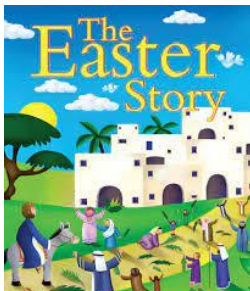
Friday 25th March 2022

Dear parents,

I hope that you all had a lovely Mothers' Day weekend and enjoyed the sunshine. This final spring term seems to have flown by. We will be closing for the Easter holidays at 2pm this Friday – straight after the Easter Story Assembly.

Easter Story

We are pleased to be able to invite families into school this Friday 1st April at 1pm for The Easter Story Assembly.



Bates Lane Road Closure

Please note that there will be a temporary road closure on Bates lane which commences on 1st April 2022. This is necessary for safety reasons to enable drainage works and will be carried out by Cheshire West and Chester Council. The works are expected to last for 1 day.

Start and end times

Please note that next term, starting back Wednesday 20th April 2022, the school day will start at 8.55am and end at 3.15pm for all classes. Children can arrive anytime from 8.40am where members of staff will be supervising both playgrounds. KS1 parents are asked to stay with their children till the whistle blows at 8.55am.

Important dates this term:

28/03/22 – Y4 Tattenhall Residential (2 nights)
29/03/22 – Y5 Easter Journey
01/04/22 – Easter Service in School 1pm
01/04/22 – School closes 2pm



Super Swimmer

Congratulations to Willow (Y1) on being awarded her latest swimming certificate.



Remember we love sharing your out-of-school achievements so please send me a photo and a brief description.

Reception Mothers' Day Afternoon

Reception children invited their mums into class on Thursday afternoon.



The children enjoyed craft making, potting plants, and eating cake!



Thank you, all the mums who took part, and to Miss Jagota and Mrs Williams for organising.



Coronavirus Guidance

Please note that despite the removal of the legal requirement to isolate, children with Covid-19 should not attend school while they are infectious. They should take day 5 and 6 tests and return to school if these are negative, and they are otherwise well.

Please see the table below to confirm when to return to school following a positive LFT.

Day 0	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	Day 6	Day 7	Day 8	Day 9	Day 10
Date of test / onset of symptoms					7.30 am take LFT test	7.30 am take LFT test	Continue to isolate up to and including Day 10 unless you have two consecutive negative LFT tests 24 hours apart. Maximum isolation 10 days			
Isolate	Isolate	Isolate	Isolate	Isolate	If positive then continue to isolate 😞	If positive then continue to isolate 😞				
					7.30 am LFT	7.30 am LFT	No need to Isolate 😊			
					If negative continue to isolate and test again on Day 6	If Negative and no temperature child can return to school 😊				

Please also note that we reserve the right to send children home if they have symptoms of Covid-19 to help limit the spread to other children and our staff.

Helsby Junior Rugby Club

Helsby Rugby Club are looking to recruit new Junior Players for their U6 through U11 teams, from Year 1 and above – no experience necessary, all newcomers welcome. The club runs sessions for girls and boys every Sunday morning from 10.30am to 12.00 noon on the 3G pitch at the new Helsby Community Sports Club on Callender Way in Helsby (WA6 0FX).



New players will be introduced to the game by playing Tag rugby initially before progressing to tackling - the club prides itself in being a family club that promotes the core values of Enjoyment, Teamwork, Sportsmanship, Discipline and Respect. If you're interested in bringing your child along then please call 07511158818 or email info@helsbyrugby.com for more information.

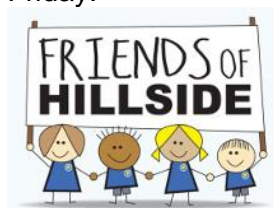
Hoops4 Health

Year 5 children had a great afternoon of basketball on Wednesday when Robbie from Cheshire Phoenix came in to give them some professional coaching.



FOH Easter Bingo

Thank you to all who took part in the Friends of Hillside Easter Bingo on Friday.



Eden (Y4) did a fantastic job running the tuck shop.

Using excellent maths and marketing skills, she too helped raise funds for the school – Well done Eden!

Storyhouse Poets

Year 5 have been writing 'Refugee Poems' for a Chester Storyhouse competition.

This Friday, Emilia P will be performing her poem at the Storyhouse – Good luck Emilia!



Refugees

Give refugees the protection they need,
Pour in a shelter,
Prepare an army or maybe 2 or 3,
A land of safety,
Place in shields and guns.

Give education to those in need,
Sprinkle in a safe school,
A land of learning should be placed,
Slide in some maths and books,
Blend and add a teacher.

Give a safe home,
Add a loving family and pour in a telephone,
Give a safe county,
Slice homes all over the world,
Spread police for safety.

Give them identity,
Remove no identity and add a name,
It's a children's right,
Spread a country where they can live,
Spoon a mother and father.

Give them justice,
Add no invading and join NATO,
They should have justice,
Insert a safe life and place in the oven,
Decorate with victory.

Emilia P (Y5)
Helsby Hillside

FAVSP Cross-Country Event

On Friday, 23 members of the two Cross Country clubs took part in the Frodsham and Villages 1K Delamere Race.

Despite having one of the smallest groups taking part, we still managed to get some amazing results including three 1st, a 2nd and a 3rd.



Well done to all who took part and a special thanks to those parents and grandparent who helped with the transport and Mrs Moore for organising.

Running club will continue next term and we welcome new members.