

# Hillsborough Primary School Spring 1 Newsletter

Spring is definitely on its way and although it has been a short term, it has certainly been a productive one! The children settled quickly back into the routine of school after Christmas and have been working extremely hard. We look forward to meeting with you all and updating you on your child's progress next half term at Parents Evenings. Please keep these dates in your diary free and come and meet with your child's teacher!

## Parent Forum—Can you help?

We'd like to begin by giving you all a massive **THANK YOU** for all of your contributions and support through our fundraising efforts over the last few years. This has made a HUGE difference to the children at school.

Over the past 3 years since Parent Forum began, we, along with your help have managed to achieve the following plus more:

- Easter/Christmas Bake Off Sale
- Jubilee/Coronation celebrations
- Halloween/Christmas decorating
- Coffee mornings/Halloween cafe
- Coin race
- Movie day
- Stay and Play
- Pre loved Uniform shop
- Raffles
- Library and shared space organisation
- Gardening
- Secured Tramlines grant

By doing the above over the past 3 years we have been able to contribute to fund the following to name a few:

- Outdoor gym equipment
- Pantomime coaches
- Reading books
- Outdoor Library
- Buddy Benches
- Summer/Christmas Fair costs
- Subsidising costs of SATs revision books and leavers jumpers

### WE NEED YOUR HELP

The Parent Forum are currently down to 3 parents and can no longer continue to plan and fundraise as we have done previously.

We simply can't continue to provide these activities/events/fundraising without more parent and carer volunteers. We know that a lot of you can't commit to specific days/times etc, we're the same but we work it out together. If you could offer any help or suggestions, please see the letter and complete the slip!

### Assessment dates

Year	Dates	Assessment
<b>Year 6</b>	Monday 13th May—Thursday 16th May 2024	End of KS2 Standard Assessment Tests
<b>Year 2</b>	Monday 20th May—Friday 25th May 2024	End of KS1 Optional tests
<b>Year 4</b>	Monday 3rd June—Friday 14th June 2024	Multiplication tests
<b>Year 1 and Year 2</b>	Monday 10th June—Friday 14th June 2024	Phonics screening checks

## Donation from Bricks N Things

We wanted to say a huge thank you to the owners of Bricks and Bits (based on Middlewood road) for their amazing donation of playmobil to our school! This will and already has started being used in our small world wider provision for children in Nursery and Reception. If you haven't been before, then please pay them a visit as they have a huge amount of amazing items to purchase! [Bricks and Bits Toy Shop, Sheffield. LEGO, Playmobil and more!](#)



## Staffing Update

At the end of the half term, we say goodbye to Miss Maciol, who has been with us a little over a year working with a range of pupils across school. She has secured a post in a school closer to home and we wish her all the best in her new job.

We also welcome Miss Woodcock, who is supporting children in Foundation Stage and Nursery and working with our team in this setting. I am sure you will make her feel welcome and introduce yourselves when you see her around school.

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## Dates for your Diary

**Monday 19th Feb—return to school.**

**Tuesday 20th Feb—Y3 trip to The Deep**

**Tuesday 27th Feb—Mr Lant's class to Hillsborough Leisure Centre**

**Tuesday 5th and Wednesday 6th March—Y4 Parents Evening**

**Wednesday 6th and Thursday 7th March—Parents Evening.**

**Thursday 7th March—Y4 trip to the theatre.**

**Thursday 7th March—WORLD BOOK DAY**

**Thursday 14th and Friday 15th March—Y5/6 trip to London.**

**Monday 25th March—Easter assemblies with Vicar Jim.**

**Wednesday 27th March—Foundation Stage farm visit**

**Thursday 28th March—LAST DAY**

## No Prime Bottles

It is very important that children have a water bottle in school that they can use to drink from throughout the day. Unfortunately, we cannot allow Prime bottles to be used as water bottles in school as we need to ensure that only water or no sugar squash is being brought into the classrooms for the children to drink. Thank you for your co-operation.

## **WELL DONE EVERYONE!**

Thank you to all who took part in **Wear Red for British Heart Foundation** on Friday. It was great to see everyone joining in! We raised over £170 for the Foundation so a big well done to all!

