



Hillside Primary School and Nursery
“Achieving Greatness Together”

Friday 26th April 2024



Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you are well.

Competition success for Hillside!



I am pleased to inform you that Nhyira's 'no litter' poster entry has been selected to be displayed in the Buttermarket. We are so pleased to be involved in promoting this important message to support the community. Well done Nhyira!

'I'm so excited that my work has been chosen, I love doing art'

We are also very pleased to support Suffolk's 'Think before you park' initiative. Our new posters on our gates enable you to report vehicles that are parking illegally. Thank you for supporting safe parking around our school.

Safety is of the highest priority for us at Hillside!

Wishing you a wonderful weekend.

Best wishes,

Mrs Wass





Parent Questionnaire March 2024

At parents evening we asked you to complete a questionnaire. We are delighted with the feedback and I would like to share some further information with you in relation to some of the points.

% strongly agree/ agree/ neutral

My child is happy at school – 96%

Your child's happiness is of the utmost importance to us. Relationships between the staff and children are fundamental within our school ethos. We regularly seek pupil voice to support every child's happiness.

The school makes me aware of what my child will learn during the year – 97.6%

This has been a focus for us this year. We have arranged regular events for parents to support home learning and provided updates via half termly curriculum overview sheets and learning conversations.

The school has high expectations for my child – 95.65%

Every member of staff has high expectations for your child. We monitor progress very closely and identify interventions to close any gaps in learning.



When I have raised concerns with the school they have been dealt with properly - 92.35%

We have several members of staff out on the school gates at the beginning and end of the school day to help you with any queries. We take all concerns raised very seriously. We have extended our Leadership team this year to support our team of staff, children and parents even more.

My child has been bullied and the school dealt with the bullying quickly and effectively – 92%

*We have a zero-tolerance approach to bullying. We regularly promote anti bullying throughout the curriculum and school day. We have worked on developing the children's understanding of bullying: **STOP Several, Times On Purpose.***

My child can take part in clubs and activities at this school – 93.8%

We feel that enrichment activities help your child to develop a love of learning and motivates them to pursue their passions. We have extended the extra - curricular activities on offer to enable children to try new and varied activities that develop character, resilience and motivation, and encourage them to pursue wider goals.

I would recommend this school to another parent – 89%

We will continue to promote our success and achievements within the school community and beyond.



Think before you park

POOR AND INCONSIDERATE PARKING CLOSE TO SCHOOLS CAN PLACE CHILDREN AT RISK

DO NOT PARK ON THE FOLLOWING

- 8 am - 6 pm
- No stopping Mon - Fri 8 am - 5 pm on entrance markings
- BUS STOP

SCHOOL → KEEP → CLEAR

PERMIT HOLDERS ONLY

To report problem parking, scan the QR code
Failure to follow these rules may result in a Penalty Charge Notice being issued.
Please park safely and be considerate of others.

#thinkb4upark

IPSWICH BOROUGH COUNCIL



ALT's Governance Conference 2024

Governors representing Active Learning Trust schools from across Cambridgeshire and Suffolk met this weekend at the Trust's Governance Conference held at Chantry Academy in Ipswich.

The conference gave governors an invaluable opportunity to share experiences, receive updates on recent Trust developments and pick up new ideas to take back to their schools. Time was also taken for the Trust to extend their thanks to all governors who volunteer their time to fulfil this important role, and who were described as "the unsung heroes of the education sector".

Speakers on the day included The Active Learning Trust's CEO Lynsey Holzer and Samira Sadeghi, Director of Trust Governance at The Confederation of School Trusts. These keynote addresses set the scene for a number of practical sessions ranging from "What governors need to know about Ofsted" to "The future of finance".

Attending the conference, Kingsfield Primary School Governor Chris Hopwood said, "It's been great to represent our school here today and meet so many other governors to learn from their experiences and to be inspired by what we can all do to support our schools".

Lynsey Holzer added "We are hugely proud of our governors and the important roles they play in our school communities. Today has been just one way in which we support their work and we offer our thanks to them for their commitment to shaping the future of our schools. We hope to encourage more people to follow in their footsteps and consider joining our Local Governing Bodies".

Interested in joining us and becoming a governor at our school? Contact The Active Learning Trust today by emailing karen.jarvis@activelearningtrust.org."



Weekly Attendance

We want every single one of our children to be an

Attendance Hero:

Here
Everyday
Ready
On time



Overall attendance is 92.1% Target 96%.

Every day counts!

Yr1 Squirrel 96.1%, Yr3 Deer 95.9%, Yr2 Robin 95.7%, Yr6 Osprey 94.8%, YrR Ladybird 94%, Yr3 Fox 93.3%, Yr4 Kingfisher 93.3%, YrR Butterfly 93.2%, Yr1 Hedgehog 92.4%, Yr2 Wren 91.9%, Yr3 Badger 91.3%, Yr5 Dolphin 90.6%, Yr5 Seal 90.4%, Yr4 Puffin 87.6%, Yr6 Kestrel 83.7%

Well done Squirrels 96.1 %!



Thank you to everyone for donating pet food and helping us raise £125 for Blue Cross.

A special thank you to the school council for planning the event and collecting the food as well as Stephanie and Mr Garnham for running the penalty shoot-out!
#BlueCross





ONLINE SAFETY



Online safety tips:

- Hillside parents will get a free version of the Qustodio app to manage and supervise their child's phone or their phone from our online safety hub (<https://hillsideprimary.onlinesafetyhub.uk/>). This is a great tool to monitor and restrict usage of apps and our online hub provides a wealth of e-safety information.
- Turning on restricted mode on Youtube app & safesearch:
<https://www.aidroid.com/parent-control/youtube-parental-controls/>
- Disabling Chrome browser microphone:
<https://support.google.com/chrome/answer/2693767?hl=en-GB&co=GENIE.Platform%3DAndroid>



We need you!

Join our Local Governing Body (LGB)

We're looking for Governors to join the LGB at Hillside Primary School.

A Governor can be someone who is a parent, carer or family member of a child at our school.

Someone who is not currently connected to the school who brings expertise, possibly from a sector outside of education, can also join the LGB as a Governor.

If you have a passion for supporting education and an interest in representing the local community, get in touch today!

This is a volunteer role, with a commitment to attend LGB meetings at the school.



In return, we offer all the training and ongoing support you need. Plus it's an opportunity to make a real difference to the lives of local children... and it's a great addition to your CV!

Email:

**karen.jarvis@activelearningtrust.org
to find out more!**



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Suffolk Parent Carer Forum

OPEN EVENT

Meet professionals in SEND & Mental Health from Suffolk County Council, Health Services, Voluntary Sector and more

Wednesday 19th June

10:30 – 1:30

United Reformed Church
Ipswich St, Stowmarket
IP14 1AD

Information Stands

Presentations

Refreshments Provided

Free Attendees draw to win an Amazon Voucher

Working towards a brighter future for
Suffolk's children and young people

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Vote for Mr Garnham!

Mr Garnham has made the top 10 Goalkeepers in England for the level he plays at.

Here is how you can vote for Mr Garnham!

<https://nonleaguebible.weebly.com/step-3-awards.html>





Diary Dates

WB 13th May - Year 6 SATS Week

24th May - Last day of the half term

3rd June - Back to school

Hillside School Dates 2023-2024

September 2023							October 2023							November 2023							December 2023						
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■ Staff training days – school closed
■ School holiday closures
■ Bank Holidays



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Maths class awards

Well done to:

Deer, Kestrel, Puffin

Individual winners are: Tommy, Imogen, Stefan



Weekly Award Winners

Well done to:



Truth Victory, Esmae Knights, Ruby Dunn, Cleo Bowers, Eden Giurgiu, Thea-Rose Scopes, Finley Spicer, Salma Aikuta, Elija Urnikyte, Libby Holman, Sofia Baiculescu, Jensen Cook, Macie Cook, Heide Grikietyte, Marta Dumitru, Isaiah-Dion Yeboah, Mishti Pandya, Lucas Hillman, Aigneal Jaison, Andra Regea, Milena Karvelyte, Corey Mann, Zara Noorgildi, Triumph Victory, Sandra Magierska, Amelia Porter, Elina Kilsauska, Willow O’Conner, Plamena Tsoneva, Trinity Victory, Ambra Dumitrascu, Aleksandra Tihanova, David Avram, Marshall Bemrose, Leon Wickramarachchi, Niamh-Rose Crane, Arvin Kambakhsh, Tisheanu Oyewusi, Ioan-Angel Helgiu, Brooklyn Barnett, Meer Mahmoud, Dion Sanca, Teegain Chaplin, Daniel Jonitus, Dawan Abubakar, Abigail Clayton, Spencer Foy, Gabrielle Garnham, Alfred Anish, WilmaOtano Cuevas, Richard Ward, Imari Cabral Vipond.

It's great to be gold!