

HILLSIDE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Welcome to our December Newsletter

This is our final newsletter of 2015 and I hope that the information provided is useful as we end the term.



As ever, please don't hesitate to contact us if you have any queries or concerns.

On behalf of the pupils, staff and governors, we wish you a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

We return to school on Tuesday 5th January 2016 for the start of the spring term.

Mrs K. Schonau

Book Donations

Many thanks to the following pupils/staff who have donated birthday books this month — William Rajkumar and Mrs Bailey.



Events at Hillside—Autumn Term 2015

This term the pupils have enjoyed many exciting educational visits, fundraising events, sporting events, visitors in school, been to the cinema and the theatre.

These include:

Trips to Jodrell Bank, Museum of Liverpool, DEWA Centre Chester, Cadbury World, Amerton Farm, Cannock Chase, Odeon Cinema, Brampton Toy Museum, Shugborough Hall and a whole school trip to the Panto at the Mitchell Arts Theatre!

We've held fundraising events for charities including Children in Need, Dougie Mac, Royal British Legion, the Food Bank, Text Santa and our PTFA Christmas Fayre.

Assemblies have included weekly celebrations of achievements in school, Attendance, NSPCC, Dougie Mac, Harvest -Food Bank, Celebration Assembly to mark Hillside achieving the Sainsbury School Games Silver Kite Award, Deaf and Blind Awareness, 'Be bright, Be seen!' and Anti-Bullying.

There has been a whole school musical performance by Key Strings, a whole school performance of 'Tales that time forgot' followed by drama/reading workshops, a performance of 'Bully for You' followed by workshops for KS2.

Our athletes have represented the school at football, Fitzy Festival, Sports Hall Athletics and the Change4Life Festival.

Our Songbirds have performed at the Victoria Hall. Our Artists have created wonderful displays in the main hall and selected pupils have attended a More Able and Talented Art / D&T Event at Spode.

And of course your children have performed for you at the Christmas Concerts and showcased their work to you as individual classes.

We wouldn't be able to do all of these things without your support and the hard work of our pupils and staff. Thank you!

Christmas Concerts

Our Christmas concerts were once again a great success and very well attended. Events like these take a lot of preparation and rehearsals.

I'd like to thank our pupils, staff and volunteers for their hard work and enthusiasm.

DVD's still available from the office at £9.00 each.

PTFA Christmas Fayre

Our Christmas Fayre was a great success. As always, the PTFA and our staff did an excellent job in organising the event and a big thanks to those of you who donated items and those who came along to support us. The total amount raised was **£686.88**.

A big thank you to the members of our PTFA who work very hard to support the school, ensuring that the pupils benefit as much as possible during their time at Hillside.

Exciting news ... Mrs Rushton is expecting baby number 2. Congratulations to her and her family!

Considerate Parking—Please show consideration to local residents when parking near the school. Please do not block drives as they need access at all times. Thank you.