



# Hill View Primary School

## Reach For The Stars.

### HEAD TEACHER UPDATE

The winter weather has arrived with vengeance this week. Although it is bitterly cold, it has been wonderful to see the sunshine, which brightens up everyone's day. The children have been very excited with the chance of snow and were delighted to see large flurries of snowflakes whilst out at play. The prospect of snow is quite magical for the children, as we just do not see enough of the white, fluffy stuff. The cold spell is an opportunity for children to look at weather maps so that they understand where this cold weather originates and look at temperature charts so that they can relate what it actually feels like outside with how many degrees it is.

Children in school have been trying to work out how many degrees the temperature needs to increase from a negative number to a positive one. I have had some great conversations with individuals regarding why we put salt on the ground in this weather and why the sea does not freeze. We are all looking at the forecasts to try to predict what the weather will do. Remember to check your phones from 7 am onwards and listen to Heart and Wave 105 radio stations, just in case the decision has to be made to close the school.

It is World Book Day tomorrow and one child asked what would happen if the school has to close. In the unfortunate situation that we have to close we will reorganise the date for the event. If we are open, please make sure the outfits are practical for the cold weather, perhaps they could have a pair of trousers or leggings and vests (this shows my age) on under their costume.

Last Friday, the parents of children in Year 1 were entertained with their Fire, Fire outcome. The children dressed in period costumes and hosted a living museum where many of them acted as guides. The guides took their role very seriously, even telling their parent that they could not wander around with them all the time. The art work and writing, along with the magnificent home learning, was on display for all to see. The children sang their version of 'London's Burning' with great confidence. It is always amazing to see children's thirst for facts and knowledge.

Don't forget that the school will be closed on Monday 12th March for a staff training day.

Amanda Jones  
Headteacher

### ANNUAL REPORTS

Parents and Carers of children in Years 1-6 will soon be receiving their children's annual reports on Friday 9th March. They are sent out mid year to enable you and your children to fully understand how they are working at present, and how they can improve over the rest of the year. Children in Reception are invited to attend parent consultations this term. They will receive their reports at the end of the year. Parent consultations for other year groups will take place later in the year.

We hope you find the reports beneficial, and a helpful tool to help support your child's education.

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### Coming Up...

**Wednesday 28th February**

Y6 Parents' SATs Meeting 6pm

**Thursday 1st March**

World Book Day—dressing up time

**Friday 2nd March**

Book Fair - North Hall

PTFA Discos: Y1&2 4.30—5.30pm

South Hall: Y3&4 5.45—6.45pm

Y5&6 7.00—8.00pm

**Tuesday 6th March**

Coffee Morning 9-10.15am North Hall

**Thursday 8th March**

Y2 Unsinkable Museum

**Friday 9th March**

Y1 to Y6 Annual Reports sent home

**Monday 12th March**

INSET Day—school closed

**Tuesday 13th March**

Y3 Butser Ancient Farm Visit

YR Parent Consultations

**Wednesday 14th March**

School Nurse drop in session 8.30am

YR Parent Consultations

**Thursday 15th March**

YR Parent Consultations

**Friday 23 March**

Mufti day—PTFA Chocolate Bingo

**Thursday 29th March**

PTFA Chocolate Bingo 5—7.30pm

**Friday 30th March**

First day of Easter Holidays

**Monday 16th April**

First day of Summer Term

### Attendance 😊

**Last week's attendance:**

96.08%

**Best Reception Class:**

Ahlberg (99%)

**Best Year 1/2 Class:**

Barnardo (99%)

**Best Year 3/4 Class:**

Ennis (100%)

**Best Year 5/6 Class:**

Shakespeare (98.67%)

## YEAR 2 VISIT SEA CITY MUSEUM



The Year 2 children really enjoyed their visit to the Sea City Museum in Southampton last Thursday.

"My favourite part was when I got to pretend to shovel coal like some of the men on the Titanic - it was really hard!" said Harry.

"We learnt lots of interesting facts but the best one was that the ship's baker survived for 2 hours in the icy cold water before being rescued because he drank a bottle of whiskey before the ship sank!" said Jacob.

The children will be using their new knowledge of the Titanic to recreate their own Titanic museum (and quiz!) for parents and carers in their classrooms at 3.15pm on 8th March.

Don't miss it!

## YEAR 5 HEAD IN TO DORSET

Our adventure began with a memorable 2 hour walk from Durlston along the coast to Leeson House. Several children got stuck in mud with boots that weren't tied properly being a major culprit.

During the night walk, we heard barn owls calling to each other, allowed our night vision to adapt and listened to stories about the history of Leeson House and the surrounding area.

We also explored the grounds of Leeson House completing tasks including: orienteering and compass work, participating in team games, creating environmental art, geology workshop and animal habitats.

Throughout our stay we were able to develop our independence and now can't wait to show our parents that we can strip and make our own beds!

## FIRE SAFETY CHECKS

Did you know the Dorset and Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service offer a FREE Safe and Well Visit? They will visit you in your home at a time that is convenient, to see what you can do together to make you safer.

Their aims are for you to:

- Know what the risks are within your home
- Know what to do to reduce or prevent these risks
- Put together an escape plan in case of fire
- Have working smoke alarms

Freephone 0800 038 2323 or visit [dwfire.org.uk](http://dwfire.org.uk) for further information.

## COFFEE MORNING TUESDAY 6 MARCH

Come and join us for coffee, a biscuit and a chat on Tuesday 6 March from 9.00am - 10.15am in the North Hall. Children, prams and pushchairs welcome!

**HV Sports Awards:** Go to Lila-Rose Nye for being a fantastic role model in dance.

Lila-Rose shows great rhythm and timing and is always excited to perform.

Peter Park also receives a Sport Award this week. He is an amazing sportsman who can transfer his skills between different activities. He is determined and competitive whilst being supportive to others. Well done to you both!



## Reading Focus

Books for football lovers!

Dan Freedman is the author of the Jamie Johnson football books. They are a perfect choice for any football fan.



# Wizards

Week ending 23/02/2018

Noah Everett - Year R

Brooke Browning - Year R

Poppy Manns - Year R

Kayden Williams - Year R

Phoebe Hall - Year 2

Toby Baker - Year 2

Harry Percival - Year 2

Nicole Carvalho de Andrade - Year 3

Leo White - Year 3

Jake Bothamley - Year 3

Younus Nait Charif - Year 4

Charlie Dixon - Year 4

Jake Burgess - Year 4

Molly Drake - Year 4

Oliver Loader - Year 5

Layla Armitage - Year 5

Ellie Hall - Year 5

Rebekah Aiken - Year 6



## Jigsaw



healthy  
body



healthy  
mind



happy  
life

