

Hill View Primary School Reach For The Stars

Year 6 Update

Year 6 have had a fantastic start to our new project, 'Curse of the Maya.' The children began their project by gathering clues about the ancient civilisation of the Maya and by becoming historians to work out what they might be. They have then learnt about who the Maya were and what their daily life was like. They've had great fun looking at how the modern Maya live now and comparing it to the ancient Maya.





This week in English, Year 6 have been writing their own explanation texts on the Maya ball game 'Pitz.' They have explained about how it was an important part of Maya culture and was seen as a prestigious event. The children produced some fantastic writing about where it was played, the rules and the untimely death of the losers! And even sometimes the winners!



Mrs Manston and the Year 6 Team

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Coming Up w/c 25th November

 Tuesday 26th – Whole School – Deadline to donate new toys for the <u>Christmas Toy Appeal</u>
Thursday 28th – KS2 Christmas Decoration Making 2:15pm (enter via main playground)
Friday 29th – YR & KS1 Christmas Decoration Making 2:15pm (enter via main playground)
– Y4 Attenborough Class Swimming

Reminders

<u>Year R</u> – <u>Pantomime Trip</u> £25.00 payment due Friday 29th November <u>via wisepay</u>

<u>Year R</u> – <u>Biscuit Making</u> £2.50 payment due Friday 17th January <u>via wisepay</u>

<u>Year 6</u> – <u>Fort Purbrook</u> Next instalment due: Monday 2nd December. £50.00 <u>via wisepay</u>

Year 2 – Cooking permission slip due Thursday 5th December

<u>Year 2</u> – <u>SeaCity Museum Trip</u> £17.50 payment due Friday 13th December

Pupil Absence

If your child is going to be absent from school, please inform the school office: **Tel:** 01202 514109 **E-mail:** office@hillview.bournemouth.sch.uk

If leaving a message or sending an e-mail, please give the child's name & Class/Year Group. We are required to record the **Reason for their Absence.** We need specific details rather than just "unwell". <u>Please let us know</u> your child's **specific symptoms** e.g.

temperature, cold/flu symptoms, vomiting etc. Providing these details will prevent us calling you.

Please note that if your child has any sickness and/or diarrhoea, they must stay away from school <u>for 48 hours from their last bout</u>.

Please refer to the <u>NHS website</u> for further advice regarding whether to keep your child away from school if they are unwell.

Open Morning 31st January 2025 - Book Now

Having reached the finals for Sport (2023) and Performing Arts (2022), we are delighted to win Co-Educational School of the Year 2024 at the prestigious Independent School of the Year Awards.

As finalists for both the Independent Schools Association's Fine Arts and Design Award and the WTI Award for Achievment in Musical Theatre Provision (Music & Drama Education Awards), as well as being the current Languagemut Primary champions, there is something for everyone at Ballard.

Putting families first, we have pledged to absorb any School Fee VAT costs until September 2025, before phasing it in gradually over the coming years.

Book now for our January Open Morning and find out more about our award-winning school. Call our friendly registrar on 01425 626900 or email registrar@ballardschool.co.uk





Co-Educational School of the Year 2024



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Award-Winning, Co-Educational Day School for ages 2-16

Children in Need

We are pleased to announce that our superheroes last Friday helped to raise £302.46 for Children in Need.

Thank you for your generosity and support to make life lighter for children.

Poppy Appeal

Thanks to your generosity, we raised £160.01 for the Poppy Appeal. Our Year 6 Ambassadors very kindly spent their lunch times visiting the classrooms to distribute poppies and collect donations. Thank you all for your support.



Scooters, Bicycles and E-Scooters

Please can we remind you that any scooters or bicycles left on the school premises during the day must be securely locked to the "mushrooms" on the lower playground, or bigger bicycles can be locked at the bicycle shed in the Year 3 playground. This is to ensure that children do not play on the equipment during playtime. Any unlocked scooters or bikes will be removed and will need to be collected from the office at the end of the school day.

We would also like to take this opportunity to remind you that it is illegal to use privately-owned e-scooters on public roads and paths at any time. Failure to comply, risks confiscation and prosecution by the police. Please see more information on the Dorset Police website:

https://www.dorset.police.uk/advice/advice-andinformation/rs/road-safety/advice-escooters/

Thank you for your cooperation.

Autumn Term Dates for your diary

Whole school

Christmas Decoration Making: YR & KS1 – Friday 29th November 2:15pm – 3pm **KS2:** Thursday 28th November 2:15pm – 3pm

Christmas Toy Appeal: Donations to be brought into the school office by Tuesday 26th November (<u>click for letter</u>)

PTFA Santa Slots: Sunday 8th December. Booking only event via <u>Classlist</u> (<u>click for letter</u>)

Christmas Lunch

Christmas lunch will be served on Wednesday 18th December. Please order via the Forerunner website in the usual way by Monday 9th December.

Year R

Poole Lighthouse Pantomime Trip: Friday 13th December (<u>Click for letter</u>)

Nativity Performances: Wednesday 11th December @ 9.15am OR Thursday 12th December @ 2pm. (<u>Click for letter</u>)

Year 1

Teddy Bears Picnic: Tuesday 10th December (children to bring in one small bear or cuddly toy).

Year 4

Attenborough Class Swimming: Friday mornings from 15th November to 20th December.

Please see the Christmas 2024 page at the end of the Newsletter for other Christmas related events

Christmas Holiday: Monday 23rd December – Friday 3rd January

> INSET Day: Monday 6th January 2025

Soundstorm

SoundStorm's Creative Ensemble sessions are returning on 11th January 2025 (now with a membership option and an additional performance opportunity). Please see the flyer below for details and to apply for a place on one, some or all of the sessions. Sessions are open to all musicians of any ability on any instrument, including voice aged 10-18.



SoundStorm's Creative Ensemble will be back in 2025 with some exciting changes!



Now offering Creative Ensemble membership to include all 6 sessions below and an additional performance opportunity!

When? Sessions will take place on Saturdays: 11th January 2025, 8th February 2025, 8th March 2025, 10th May 2025, 14th June 2025 from 10:30am-3pm (for members and non-members) and on Saturday 12th July (rehearsal from 10:30am-3pm and concert to take place in the early evening, exact time tbc - for members only).

What is it? An ensemble led by musicians from the Bath Philharmonia Creative Learning Team and the SoundStorm team. Is open to all musicians on any instrument, including voice. All standards are welcome, from beginner to expert.

Where? Magna Academy, Ashdown Close, Poole, Dorset, BH17 8RE

Who can participate? Young people aged 10-18. You don't need to be able to read music; everything will be learnt by ear.

How much? £60 for membership (up until end July 2025). £12.50 for one-off session. Membership places are limited so please apply asap.

We do not want financial hardship to be a barrier for young people - to find out how SoundStorm can assist, please contact Claire Butler at claire.butler@bcpcouncil.gov.uk.

For more info on the Creative Ensemble and to sign up, please visit:

https://soundstorm-music.org.uk/schools-teachers/music-hub/ensembles/creative-ensemble/





Autumn 2 **Home Learning Reminders**

Year R

Christmas 2024

Click for child or parent leaflets

Task 1: Read the Christmas story at home. Discuss with your child their part in the Nativity play linking it to the Christmas story.

Prepare your costume ready for Monday 25th November

Year 1

Hill View Sandwich Bar



Click for child or parent leaflets

Design and make a healthy sandwich for a family member. Add photos and write a recipe/instructions.

Due Friday 13th December

Year 2

The Troll Click for child or parent leaflets Record findings from a home treasure hunt.



- Write a poem about the troll
- Create a recipe for the troll's cookery book
- Make an advert for the troll's new cookery book

Due w/c 16th December

Year 3

The Iron Giant Click for child or parent leaflets Create a map of magnetic materials around your house. Due Wednesday 11th December



The Land of Fire & Ice

Click for child or parent leaflets

Design and make a model of a physical feature of Iceland e.g. A volcano, mountain, glacier or a river.

Due Monday 2nd December

Year 5

The Dark Ages Click for <u>child</u> Leaflet



Produce a visual aid or an artefact linked to the Anglo-Saxons

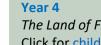
Due Monday 9th December

Year 6

The Curse of the Maya Click for child or parent leaflets Research Maya food and either; Produce a fact file



- Due: Monday 16th December



Design a menu for a Maya restaurant



PTFA Update

Christmas Jumper/ Clothing Sale

Pre-loved Christmas clothing is now out in the office! Please leave any donations for the PTFA in the Christmas tin at the front desk.

Thank you.



Year 6 SATs

The PowerPoint presentation for the Year 6 SATs is now available on the <u>school website</u>.



The selection of CGP revision guides are available to view in the school office until Friday 6th December.

If you wish to purchase any books, please complete an order form enclosing the correct amount of cash and **return it to the school office by Monday 9th December**. The school will process the order for you and hand out the books as soon as they arrive.





ASDA Rewards for our school! (Click for letter)

Do you shop at Asda and have the rewards app?

Please could you log in to the app and add the PTFA as your chosen school for the cash pots. Make sure you search 'Hill View Primary school'.

Between 2nd September and 30th November 2024, every time customers shop with Asda using their Rewards app, the supermarket will donate 0.5% of the value of their shop to their chosen primary school. And that's not all. For every customer who chooses our school, Asda will put £1 into the school's Cashpot, and another £50 when our school's first opted-in customer spends instore or online!

For more details, visit www.asda.com/cashpotforschools

Uniform Preloved & NEW!

We have a wide range of stock available of new Uniform to purchase from us. Please see our updated price list below or by <u>clicking here</u> to view on the school website.



We continue to have stock in the main office for pre-loved items. An honesty box is at the reception desk. We only accept cash for preloved.

If you have any clean, good quality items for donating, please leave in a bag under the existing clothes rail. All donations are greatly received. **Thank you.**

Classlist

If you haven't' already done so, please sign up to Class List. This app helps keep track of events and enables you to book tickets and pay for PTFA events.

How to reach us:

Email: <u>Hillview.ptfa@hotmail.co.uk</u> Facebook: <u>www.facebook.com/hillview.primaryptfa/</u> Classlist: <u>https://classlist.page.link/6d9FBeD11FcyAUrC7</u>



Welcome to The Umbrella Group

We are a parent led support group, for parents of children and young adults with **ASD** which has been running for 11 years. We are known as **The Umbrella Group**, with its connotations of protection and covering a wide spectrum of behaviours which all come under the same umbrella of autism. We normally meet once a month on the 4th Saturday but meetings can be rescheduled to alternative Saturdays to accommodate speakers and avoid school holidays.

If you wish to attend or would like more information, please contact -

Email -> Debbie Muldoon-Hall debbiewestbourne@gmail.com Mobile -> Clare Lockyer on 07450 210911 Facebook -> https://m.facebook.com/groups/312179982770667?ref=share Autism Unlimited -> Shares resources and provides information to help parents to

connect to other services that have the authority to advise them. https://www.autism-unlimited.org/support/book-a-call/

Please note the Umbrella meetings are for parents and carers only unless otherwise specified

- Venue The Pool room at Portfield School, Parley Lane, Hurn, BH23 6BP
- Day Usually 4th Saturday of the month but occasionally changes due to school holidays and Guest speakers' availability.
- Time 10-1230 am approximately. Please note our meetings often over-run to give parents chance to chat with each other but parents can leave at any time for their own convenience
- **Cost** £1 donation for refreshments and administration.
- Next Meeting: Saturday 23rd November 2024 1000 -1230 'A Boy called Arsenal' (A life lived with Autism) Arsenal Whittick



Umbrella Group Coffee Mornings



The Umbrella group also has **coffee mornings** on an informal basis in Christchurch for parents and carers of children and young people with ASD.

When:	First Wednesday of the month unless otherwise specified
	+ Some Friday mornings on a prearranged date
Time:	1030 -1230 approx
Venue:	Café Arcado, 71, High St, Christchurch BH23 1AS.
	arcado@thelounges.co.uk



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FLOODLAND

Recommended Read Book of the week (Y6)

Marcus Sedgwick – Floodland

Imagine that a few years from now England is covered by water, and Norwich is an island. Zoe, left behind in the confusion when her parents escaped, survives there as best she can. Alone and desperate among marauding gangs, she manages to dig a derelict boat out of the mud and gets away to Eels Island. But Eels Island, whose raggle-taggle inhabitants are dominated by the strange boy Dooby, is full of danger too. The belief that she will one day find her parents spurs Zoe on to a dramatic escape in a story of courage and determination that is handled with warmth and humanity

This week's WIZARDS



YR – Ruby P-W YR – Anna V YR – Yang L Y1 – Betsy D



Y1 – Everly W Y1 – Oscar L Y2 – Hughie S Y2 – Myah S Y2 – Skylar S Y3 – Igor S Y3 – Pippa L Y3 – Beau S Y4 – Brooke G Y4 – Mhegan DJ Y4 – Will E Y5 – Eva L Y5 – Monroe R Y5 – Eddie S Y6 – Maisie C Y6 – Y6 –



Kindness Cup Awards

- Year 1: Van Gogh Year 2: Barnardo Year 3: Simmonds Year 4: Attenborough Year 5: Cassidy Year 6: Luther King





Phonics Stars

YR – Albie S Y1 – Dylan C Y2 – Archibald B



Attendance Cup Winners

(30th September to 15th November)

Year R - ROSEN CLASS 96.44%



KS1 - BARNARDO CLASS 97.05%



Lower KS2 - JOHNSON CLASS 97.77%

Upper KS2 – **LUTHER KING** Class 98.02%

Christmas 2024

Christmas Decoration Making

YR, Y1, Y2 - Friday 29th November 2:15pmY3, Y4, Y5, Y6: Thursday 28th November 2:15pmFor parents that have more than one child in school, we will be able to escort you to spend some
time in each child's classroom. If parents have more than 2 children in school to visit, please let the
first teacher know so they can plan for you to have time in all classes.

2:15pm - Parents to enter via the playground and sign in at the classroom they at helping at. **2.35pm** - A bell will ring to notify support staff to move parents with more than 1 child to the other classes.

3pm - Parents will be asked to leave the classrooms and wait in the centre of the playground, so there is room for the children to come out to their lines. This will give the children time to collect their belongings. Teachers will bring their classes out to line up in their usual place. **Toilets** – Parents who need the toilet must be bought to the main office by an adult.

Santa Grotto - Sunday 8th December 9am – 3pm (Ticket only event)

This year we are super excited to offer you an opportunity to see Santa in our Grotto. Small groups of 15 children will come into the school hall where we will have Christmas songs flowing. Included in the price will be a cookie (or alternative for dietary requirements), a hot chocolate or squash and a personal visit (per family) to see Santa to get a lovely present.

We will also have Tea, Coffee and Hot Chocolate on sale for the adults too! So please bring cash.

Many thanks and thanks for your support.

The PTFA Team

EYFS Nativity - Wednesday 11th December 9:15am or Thursday 12th December 2:00pm.

Nativity costumes must be sent into school by Monday 25th November. The PTFA will be selling mince pies and drinks on both performance days. This will be cash only, so please bring some coins.

Christmas Carols

Y1 and Y2 Children will be singing Christmas Carols to parents/carers on the playground on Wednesday 18th December at 2:40pm

Years 3, 4, 5, and 6 will be singing at St Thomas' Church on the following dates: Y3 & Y4 – **Tuesday 10th December Afternoon** (Awaiting Church to confirm time) Y5 & Y6 – **Tuesday 17th December Afternoon** (Awaiting Church to confirm time)

Christmas Lunch & Christmas Jumper Day – Wednesday 18th December

Christmas lunch will be served on Wednesday 18th December. This is a non-uniform day, so Christmas Jumpers/clothing can be worn to make us all feel festive.

Please order via the Forerunner website in the usual way by Monday 9th December.