

Brunel Charity Day

On Thursday 23rd November Brunel House will be fundraising for the RSPCA (Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals).

Children can donate £1.00 to have their face painted like an animal. These will be simple pet faces, the children will have a choice of a few designs.

We are looking for parent helpers to help with face painting – you don't have to be an artist the designs will be very simple. If you are able to volunteer for a couple of hours on 23rd November please let the office know or email w.vicars@hillcroftschoo.org. Thank you.

Likewise, if your child has an allergy to face paints please inform the office.



Christmas Fair – Saturday 2nd December – 11.00am – 2.00pm

Friends of Hillcroft are working hard in preparation for the Christmas Fair. We will be holding two muffi days leading up to the fair:

Friday 10th November – children are invited to wear their own clothes to school and make a donation of £1.00

Friday 1st December – Children are invited to wear their own clothes to school and donate the following:

Reception and Nursery – Cakes for the cake stall

Year 1 and Year 2 – Chocolate for the tombola

Years 3 – 6 – Bottles for the bottle tombola

If you enjoy baking – we would welcome additional donations of cakes.

We are also collecting good quality soft toys, please hand any donations in to the school office.

We are always in need of prizes for the raffle. If you, your employer or a friend or relative are able to donate a raffle prize we would be very grateful. We will be sending the raffle tickets home to sell to your friends and relatives over the coming week.

If you are able to help at the Christmas Fair please speak to a member of the Friends of Hillcroft, or leave your name at the school office and they will pass it on. Alternatively email w.vicars@hillcroftschoo.org. We would be grateful for help setting up the fair, running a stall and clearing away at the end. If you are unable to help on the day but would like to be involved there are many ways you can help in the lead up to the fair, please do get in touch. Many hands make light work and these events take a lot of time and manpower to organise.

All funds that are raised help your children in their school.

Attendance

Good attendance works hand in hand with your child reaching their full potential. Children should be in school every day unless there are exceptional circumstances. If your child is absent for any reason please contact the school office on the morning of their absence and leave a message on the absence answerphone.

This year we have been monitoring attendance each week and sharing the information with the children in assembly. The best attendance figures for the week before half term were:

Class	House	Year Group	Whole School
Cedar	Newton	Year 1	
99.31%	98.13%	97.97%	96.11%

E-Safety Raps

Last term we launched a computing competition. We asked each year group to create a rap based on what they had learnt in their e-safety lessons. Before half term we filmed each year group performing their rap, these are being uploaded to our website so you will be able to see the hardwork the children have put in.

Dates for your Diary

Friday 10 th November	Mufti Day
Wednesday 15 th November	Open Morning for prospective parents 9.30am
Friday 17 th November	Space Camp
Thursday 23 rd November	Brunel House Charity Day – Supporting the RSPCA – Information to follow
Friday 24 th November	INSET Day
Monday 30 th October	Back to school following half term
Friday 1 st December	Mufti Day
Saturday 2 nd December	Christmas Fair and Craft Market 11.00am – 2.00pm
Saturday 9 th December	Christingle – information to follow
Wednesday 13 th December	Nursery Christmas Carols – 10.15am and 2.00pm
Thursday 14 th December	Reception Christmas Performance – information to follow Christmas Discos – information to follow
Tuesday 19 th December	Year 1 Christmas Celebration Assembly 9.15am Year 1 Astrodome visit PM Year 2 Christmas celebration Assembly 2.00pm
Wednesday 20 th December	Christmas Jumper Day Christmas Dinner – information to follow Year 3 / 4 Songs around the Christmas Tree 9.15am Year 5 / 6 Songs around the Christmas Tree 2.30pm
Thursday 21 st December	Last day of term
Thursday 4 th January	Back to school