



# Hillcroft Primary School

Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2022

**Nurturing children to achieve their personal best**

**Nurture Inspire Strive**

Welcome back to our second half of the Autumn Term when we can all look forward to lots of lovely learning happening as well as our Christmas Festivities!

We have already had some great activities and learning in the last two weeks, including an Early Years dress-up day to mark the start of their topic 'Tell me a Story' and also great events such as our first Parental Workshop of the year – KS2 Reading – Book Talk. Thank you to all the parents /carers who came to this. We have also been able to welcome all our parents and carers in for Parents' Evening, which was lovely to see you all in person.



Reception dress-up day



Book Talk Parental Workshop

Thank you, also, to all those families who completed a poppy for our annual Remembrance Day display on the school gates. We also honoured those who have fought and died in the line of duty through a 2-minute silence in school today.



We hope you have a lovely weekend, and we will see you on the gates on Monday morning!  
Miss Summers

## **Key Dates:**

Please see link to whole school Key Dates calendar:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1JH5ENziObZyK7200GRs0g9xJJYtUo2g/view?usp=sharing>

## **Key Dates - Special Charity and PTA Dates:**

14th November – 18th November: Salvation Christmas Toy Appeal – please do drop-off any new toys for us to donate to the Salvation Army. The blue trug will be out by the gate all week before and after school.



Monday 14th November: We will be taking part in Anti-bullying week during the 14th-18th November. We would like to encourage every child to take part by wearing odd socks to school on Monday 14th November. Please ensure your child is still wearing the correct school uniform and footwear. We are not asking for any money to be donated.



18th November: Children in Need wear your pyjamas to school day! Children are able to wear PJs to school (with sensible footwear) for a donation to Children in Need (please give donations to the office / your child's class teacher)

28th November: Mufti Day – please donate a small gift or item for our Secret Santa (collections running until 2<sup>nd</sup> December) in the blue trug by the gate at drop-off and pick-up.

**Key Dates - Special Charity and PTA Dates... continued...**

5<sup>th</sup> December: Pre-loved Christmas Jumper shop



7<sup>th</sup> December: Secret Santa day at school (see PTA flyer for more information) – please can these be unused gifts.



10<sup>th</sup> December: Festive Fun Saturday! (see PTA flyer for more information)

**Saturday 10th December**  
**Save the date**

- Xmas tree collections (ordering info to follow)
- Santas Grotto
- Mince pies and more (Book and toy sale)

**More info to follow**

A photograph of a Christmas tree branch decorated with red berries, white snow, and a small Santa Claus figurine.



**A message from Mrs Pearson.**

HELLO! I hope you all had a lovely, relaxing time and made many special memories. This week I wanted to talk about "Window of Tolerance"

Have you noticed that sometimes children can manage a task and the next day or time, they cannot?

Do you find yourself telling them this?

We all have a window of tolerance.

Sometimes it is big and we manage difficult things because we have sufficient emotional energy to cope: we are not tired, hungry, feel poorly, lonely or sad.

When we are in our window of tolerance, we feel just right!

We are calm but not tired.

We are alert but not anxious.

We can cope with daily challenges as they happen.

On the days children "Can't do", ask yourself if they are feeling hungry, frustrated, lonely or tired and notice this for yourself too!

## Things to remember...

Kids do well when they can.

If a child is not doing well, their bar is likely too full of fatigue and dysregulation.

Rewards + punishments won't reduce fatigue and dysregulation...

But they may cause harm to a person who is already trying their hardest.



## Our Children's Talents and Interests

Continuing on from our celebration of our children's talents and interests outside of school, we have been able to celebrate:

Darcie – Year 2 – her incredible drawing skills

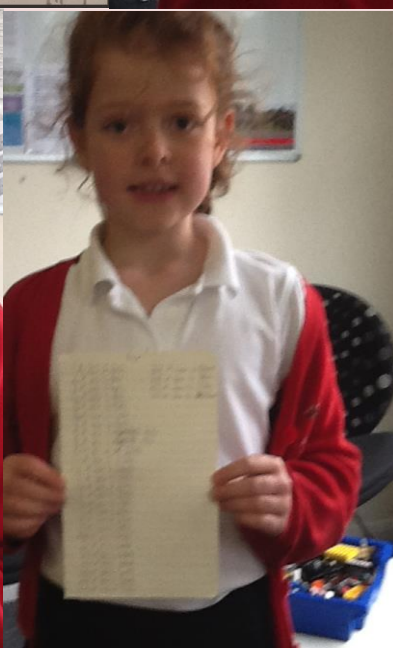
Ethan – Year 5 – his brilliant Darts

Sammy – Year 3 – for regularly being Man of the Match for his football team

Imogen – Year 2 – for her amazing times tables skills; writing out the 20 times tables at home!

Roma – Year 5 – for winning 3<sup>rd</sup> place in her Maths Competition

Lewis – Year 3 – for his fantastic football skills

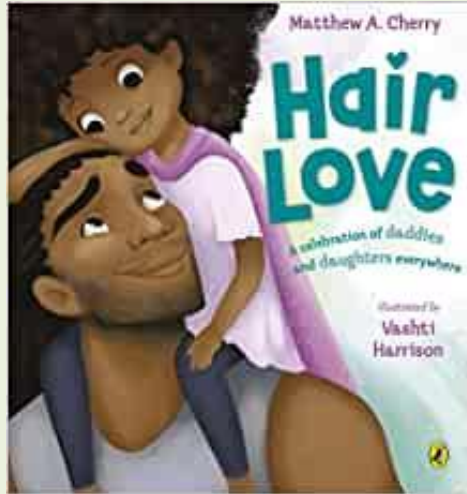


All the children receive certificates and are recognised during assembly. Please do continue to let Miss Swain or your child's class teacher know if your child would like to celebrate anything.

## A Reading Community

This week, Mrs Henriques– Oak Class teacher – has shared her recommendations. They will be displayed in the front Reception and please do speak to an office member if you would like to borrow one – all are welcome to!

### EYFS



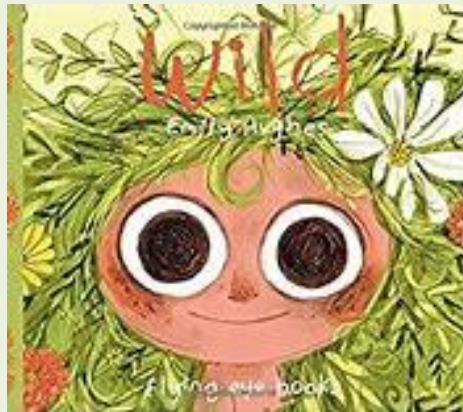
**Hair Love**

Author: Matthew A. Cherry Illustrator: Vashti Harrison

This endearing picture book is based on an Oscar-winning short film which can be viewed here : [Hair Love Short Film](#).

It highlights the tender story of a young girl, Zuri, whose hair has a mind of its own and her dad who shows love and determination to ensure that Zuri is happy with her hairstyle as they both prepare for a special occasion. The book is written by Matthew A. Cherry and illustrated by the incredibly talented Vashti Harrison who has also illustrated the 'Little Leaders' books and 'Sulwe' by Lupita Nyong'o.

### KS1



**Wild!**

Author/ Illustrator: Emily Hughes

This is one of my all-time favourite books and was the debut picture book for the author/illustrator, Emily Hughes. Its beautiful illustrations combined with the moving words make for a brilliant read. In this book, we meet a young girl who has been raised by the wilderness. When she is captured and made to assimilate to a way of life which is alien to her, she cannot survive. The book ends with the line, *"You cannot tame something so happily wild,"* and to me, this means that you should live your life being true to who you are.

## A Reading Community ... Continued...

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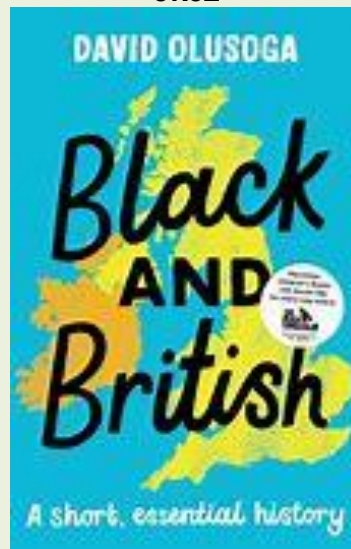


**Ellie and the Cat**

Author: Malorie Black Illustrator: Matt Robertson

In this book by celebrated author, Malorie Blackman, we come across rude and spoiled Ellie who has to spend some time with her Grandma, who is a little bit magic. Shocked by her granddaughter's antics, she decides to teach Ellie a lesson and switches her body with Jolly the cat's. As Ellie starts to make friends with the other animals in the house, will she learn to be a kinder human?

UKS2



**Black and British**

Author: David Olusoga

David Olusoga is a British-Nigerian historian, author, presenter and BAFTA winning film-maker. In this version of his book that is specifically for readers aged 9 and above, David Olusoga provides the reader with an essential introduction to 1,800 years of Black British History. Throughout the book, the impact of Black people on British history is outlined from the Roman times through to the twentieth century. Each chapter is short and engaging and full of interesting historical facts that are not always as publicised as they should be.

## In other news...

### Attendance Notice:


Just to remind parents/carers that if they take their children out of school without authority, they will be liable to receive a penalty notice. Currently the amount payable under a penalty notice is £60.00 per parent/carers per child if paid within 21 days. Thereafter the amount increases to £120.00 if paid between 21 and 28 days. If the penalty notice remains unpaid after 28 days, the Local Authority will consider a prosecution in the Magistrates Court. Please note that penalty notices are issued per parent/carers per child so a family of two parents and two children will receive 4 penalty notices.

### Surrey Family Learning:

There are still spaces on the FREE courses run by Surrey Family Learning; please follow this link for more information

<https://mailchi.mp/865c6a93ba35/family-learning-parent-bulletin-734188>

### Caterham Foodbank:



The header of the newsletter features the Caterham Foodbank logo on the left, which includes a green leaf icon. To the right, the website address [www.caterham.foodbank.org.uk](http://www.caterham.foodbank.org.uk) is displayed above the word "Newsletter" in a large, white, sans-serif font. Below "Newsletter", it says "Issue No 16, November 2022".

### News!

**Caterham Foodbank continues to offer 3 days emergency food to those in food poverty, but we are so much more than just food. We offer all clients, compassion, a hot drink and a listening ear.**

Although we are still signposting and working collaboratively with other services, we have also managed to secure a financial inclusion grant from the Trussell Trust. This has enabled us to provide a Citizens Advice Bureau advisor in both Foodbanks at Caterham Baptist Church and Oakhall to help clients with any issues they may have. Clients may have many problems including issues with benefits, low income and energy debt. The aim here is for both income maximisation along with budgeting and debt help.


In light of the recent energy crisis more people are struggling and the decision was made by trustees to try and help people with this. Caterham Foodbank has therefore signed up to work with the Fuelbank Foundation [www.fuelbankfoundation.org](http://www.fuelbankfoundation.org). and while funding lasts and subject to criteria being met, we are able to offer small energy vouchers to those at immediate risk of disconnection or already disconnected and choosing food over heat. We are also grateful to the Caterham, Oxted and Godstone Lions for supporting this project with a financial donation.

It won't come as any surprise that the need for our service isn't diminishing and we are expecting it to continue to rise due to the increase in fuel prices and the cost of living. As our number of users increase we are also currently seeing a fall in donations. This could be for a number of reasons but may just be that less people are in a position of being able to help.


We are very grateful for all the recent Harvest donations which have temporarily refilled our emptying shelves but are unsure how long this will last.

We are already thinking about our Tesco Christmas Collection on the 1st-3rd December which will give our stocks and extra boost. Also because Tesco also tops up these donations based on the weight this adds extra value for us. We are now starting to gather referrals for our Christmas Hampers and it will be all hands on deck to pack these at the end of this month.

Thank you so much for your continued support of the foodbank. We continue to look forward to a day when our service is no longer needed because everyone has enough for the basics, but until that time comes, with your support we'll do all we can to help those in crisis.



The Trussell Trust logo is located in the bottom left corner of the newsletter content area. It features a green leaf icon to the left of the text "the trussell trust" in a lowercase, sans-serif font, with the tagline "Stop UK Hunger" underneath.



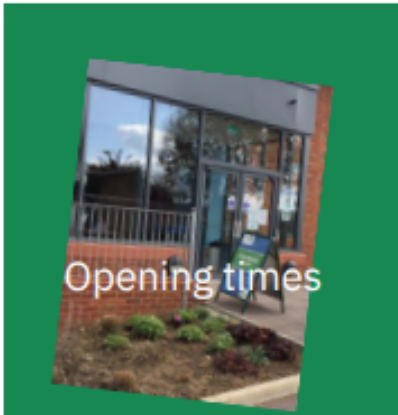
A photograph showing a large quantity of food supplies, including various boxes, bags, and containers, stacked together, representing the foodbank's inventory.

**If you're struggling to feed yourself or your family, visit our website for information on how to get a foodbank voucher.**

[caterham.foodbank.org.uk](http://caterham.foodbank.org.uk)



INFORMATION



Monday 12 noon to 2pm @ Oakhall Church, 181 Chaldon Road. CR3 5PL  
Thursday 12 noon to 2pm @ Caterham Baptist Church, Beechwood Road. CR3 6NA



Caterham Foodbank provides 3 days worth of emergency food to local people in crisis.

The foodbank is part of the Trussell Trust, a Christian organisation.

## Help Please - Due to increased demand, we are in need of donations

Please also share our posts our requests to your local groups. Our top 5 most needed items are posted every Monday on Facebook and Instagram. Please find us on social media and like and share our posts. A list of goods can also be found on our website at [www.caterham.foodbank.org.uk](http://www.caterham.foodbank.org.uk)

### Collection Points

Caterham Foodbank Permanent Collection Points can be found in the following supermarkets



Caterham and Whyteleafe Express



Caterham



Caterham



Caterham on the Hill and Warlingham Green



Matchpoint Gym Hurst Green



Sainsbury's Local Oxted



Or donate



spareable

via our website [www.caterham.foodbank.org.uk](http://www.caterham.foodbank.org.uk) or Bankuet <https://www.bankuet.co.uk/caterham> or the Spareable app



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Please see link to newsletter too:

[https://mcusercontent.com/bf2276ab2ccad41780bf3d929/files/c177021d-d842-3df4-d6f5-8c3315fdb55/Caterham\\_Foodbank\\_newsletter\\_November\\_2022.pdf.pdf](https://mcusercontent.com/bf2276ab2ccad41780bf3d929/files/c177021d-d842-3df4-d6f5-8c3315fdb55/Caterham_Foodbank_newsletter_November_2022.pdf.pdf)

## Chartwells Job Vacancy:



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# Job Opportunity

**Job Title:** Kitchen Assistant

**Location:** Redhill RH1 3LN

**Pay Rate:** 9.50

**Hours:** 16

We are looking for an enthusiastic person to join our team, helping to support our clients and customers as part of the UK's no.1 food and support services business.



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Or simply ask a member of the  
Chartwells Team today

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