

Christmas Fair – Saturday 3rd December 11.00am – 2.00pm – FREE ENTRY

Please come and support our Christmas Fair tomorrow. Father Christmas will be here; you will be able to take a photo with him in his grotto. There will be many stalls including Christmas Gifts, tombolas, raffle, side shows, face painting, bouncy castle, and refreshments. Miss Summers has very bravely agreed to having baked beans tipped over her – children will be able to buy cups of beans to add into the bucket for the grand tipping event at 1.30pm. An event I'm sure they will not want to miss! Stagecoach will also be here offering small taster sessions throughout the morning.

Friends of Hillcroft work very hard fundraising for the school. The money they raise is used to benefit the children in school, below is a list of items they are contributing to this term:

- an interactive bird nesting box to go in the school grounds with a built in camera and live video stream to the classrooms. There will also be a website for parents to visit to view the chicks' progress.
- a mural to decorate the library and our own FOH volunteers will be painting it! They will also be purchasing some furniture for the library.
- contributing towards a second gate to be installed in the railings. The second outer gate will then be opened so that there will be a clear entrance and exit which will help ease congestion in the playground at drop off and pick up times. More information about this will follow in due course.

Friends of Hillcroft are always looking for help, if you are interested in learning more about what they do please contact Sue Allen-Gardner on friends@hillcroftschoo.org. They arrange many fundraising activities throughout the year, they need help organising these activities as well as running them. If it's not really your thing helping at an event but you are happy in the background they would love to hear from you, there are so many jobs to do from writing to local companies for raffle prizes, shopping, creating stalls and marketing events, folding the raffle tickets etc – the jobs are endless and many hands make light work.

We look forward to seeing you on Saturday.

Switching on the Cedar Tree Lights

Switching on the Cedar Tree Lights signifies the start of Christmas here at Hillcroft. Our choirs, together with the choir from St Francis School, performed their own songs and then lead the community singing carols.

The choir will also be visiting the Brunton Centre next week, to bring some festive cheer to their customers, and will be leading the singing at Christingle on Saturday 10th December.



Parking – Information from Surrey Police

Parking around the school is becoming more hazardous recently. It is vitally important, for the safety of you and your children, to ensure that you stop and park safely even if it is only for a few minutes to drop them off.

Illegal and inconsiderate parking around the school is causing hazards for road users and pedestrians alike and accidents have already occurred around the school.

Inconsiderate parking also creates unnecessary traffic jams and increases the likelihood of an accident occurring and someone you know being hurt.

Inconsiderate parking can cause real problems for children and parents who are walking in or out of the school, those with pushchairs and wheelchair users.

Inconsiderate parking can cause serious interruption to traffic flow, which then causes delays in the public transport system, and most importantly, prevents emergency vehicles attending incidents.

Where can I park?

When parking you need to respect any parking regulations and the needs of other road users in the area.

Please park in a safe location, where you are not causing any obstruction or breaching any traffic regulations.

Where can't I park?

- On school entrance markings during their hours of operations.
- On public footways and verges.
- On pedestrian crossings and their zigzag markings.
- Within 32 feet of a junction.
- Around a bend where oncoming traffic has a restricted view.
- On double yellow and single yellow lines(during controlled hours) and in time limited areas for longer than allowed.
- At taxi ranks and bus stops.
- In disabled parking bays unless you are entitled and displaying a valid blue disabled badge.

Remember to “Park SMART”

www.drivesmartsurrey.org.uk has more information on safe parking and driving.

At Hillcroft we are fortunate to have a public car park in close proximity to the school. Town End car park offers free parking for up to three hours, and is only a short walk away.

Attendance This Week

EYFS/KS1	Attendance	KS2	Attendance
Elm	98.33%	Rowan	97.93%
Ash	94.00%	Maple	96.33%
Beech	97.33%	Cedar	95.93%
Willow	93.33%	Birch	96.92%
Chestnut	93.79%	Aspen	99.31%
Sycamore	98.33%	Larch	98.28%
		Hawthorn	94.33%
		Oak	94.83%
Good attendance 97-100%		Cause for concern 93-97%	
		Inadequate attendance below 93%	

Dates for your Diary

Friday 2 nd December	Mufti Day Parents Forum 2.00pm
Saturday 3rd December	Christmas Fair 11.00am – 2.00pm
Saturday 10 th December	Christingle
Monday 12 th December	Dress Rehearsal for Year 2 Christmas Performance 2.00pm
Tuesday 13 th December	Year 2 Christmas Performance 9.15am Dress Rehearsal for Year 1 Christmas Performance 2.00pm
Wednesday 14 th December	Year 1 Christmas Performance 9.15am Dress Rehearsal for Reception Christmas Performance 2.00pm <i>Please note this dress rehearsal is to Lower School not to parents, apologies for any confusion.</i>
Thursday 15 th December	Reception Christmas Performance 2.00pm
Monday 19 th December	Years 3 / 4 Christmas Performance 9.15am
Tuesday 20 th December	Years 5 / 6 Christmas Performance 9.15am Year 1 - Astrodome
Wednesday 21 st December	Last day of term