



Hillcroft Bulletin

6th Jan 2017

Welcome back to the Spring Term. We hope everyone had a relaxing break and wish you all a good New Year. Can we please remind all parents that the morning bell is rung at 8.45; therefore we expect to see all children lined up on the front playground by this time. Their learning begins at 8.55, therefore this is the time we expect children to be in their classrooms for the register to be taken promptly at 8.55. If a child walks through the school door at 8.55 they will not get to their classroom until 9.00, the register will have been taken and therefore they will be considered late. Punctuality is a focus this term and therefore persistent lateness may lead to the Education Welfare Service becoming involved.

Hillcroft Science Fair – Thursday 2nd February

This term we are holding the first Hillcroft Science Fair. We invite all children to create a science stand, a display that shows their work attempting to answer a scientific question.

Their science fair entry should be displayed on a large piece of cardboard that can stand by itself, a recycled cardboard box is ideal. They can also make small models, handouts, or create demonstrations to support their project. All entries are due in on Monday 30th January, then they will be displayed in the main hall for all the pupils and parents to enjoy at the Science Fair on Thursday 2nd February – further details about visiting the fair will follow. The entries will be judged, and the winners of the competition across the year groups will go through to the GLF finals where they will showcase their displays against the other GLF schools.

The judges will be looking at:

Planning – is there a clear introduction? Has a question been used? Is there a prediction?

Investigative skills – is there a clear method/ List of equipment? Diagrams?

Results – have tables and graphs been correctly labelled and used?

Conclusions – what was found out? How could it be improved?

Presentation – is it eye catching and exciting? Neatly written? Laid out clearly?

We hope many children will take part in the Science Fair and look forward to seeing their entries. It is a fantastic opportunity for the children to develop learning powers of curiosity, resourcefulness, designing their own learning, being adventurous and creative. We will be holding some lunchtime support sessions if the children need any support with their project.

Dates for your Diary

Friday 13 th January	Reception Class - Dinosaur Museum 3.15pm
Monday 16 th January	Fantasy Day in Reception - Pantomime
Thursday 2 nd February	Hillcroft Science Fair
Monday 20 th February	Prospero Theatre Workshop for Year 6
Wednesday 22 nd February	Perform Workshop for EYFS and KS1
Tuesday 28 th March	Easter Bonnet parade – Reception – information to follow
Friday 31 st March	INSET Day – Break up for Easter holidays
Tuesday 18 th April	Back to school
Friday 26 th May	Last day of half term – school finishes normal time
Monday 5 th June	Back to school
Friday 30 th June	INSET Day
Friday 21 st July	Last day of term – school finishes normal time



POPDANCE KIDS comes to Hillcroft - there are still a few spaces left!

Popdance Kids is a dance class designed for children that teaches fun and enjoyable routines to popular music.

Their classes are specially choreographed with child-friendly routines to music that children love with no pressure to get the steps exactly right. Their emphasis is always on fun and enjoyment!

Tuesdays (From January 2017)

3.15-4.15pm

£5 per class

Try your first class for FREE

Get in touch with Rianna to book your place on 07954 785 064 or surreypopdance@outlook.com

SAMA KARATE – Fridays after school in the main hall

All classes £5.00 – pay as you go

Call or text Richard on 07742 609194 for more information

MK DANCE – Wednesdays after school in the main hall

Dance is a fun and creative way to stay fit and help improve posture, strength and stamina. Dance and ballet also help to develop a child's social skills, which boosts confidence and self esteem.

For more information, please contact Kathryn on 07841 527642

BB SOCCER – Wednesdays after school for children in Years 1 and 2

£6.00 per session – payment in block at the beginning of the term

For more information, please contact Ben Boyce on 07704 483586

BB Soccer also run a Saturday School @ Oasis Academy, Old Coulsdon