

## **Hillcroft Bulletin**

#### **Uniform**

We believe uniform helps provide children with a sense of pride in their school. Please ensure all children wear full school uniform, including ties in KS2, for their daily attendance to school. Uniform can be purchased on line at <a href="https://www.onlineschooluniform.co.uk">www.onlineschooluniform.co.uk</a>.

We keep a small stock of ties in school, however these need to be purchased via wisepay and then collected from the school office – or ordered from Online School uniform who deliver free to the school each Friday.

### World Book Day - Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March

To celebrate World Book Day and encourage a love of reading, we invite the children and staff to dress up as their favourite book character and donate £1.00 towards Book Aid International, a charity that donates books to African school libraries.

Throughout the day, the children will be taking part in a variety of activities. We will be holding a Key Stage 1 and a Key Stage 2 World Book Day assembly where we will talk about what 'World Book Day' means and introduce a home reading challenge, where the children are challenged to read the 100 most popular books by the time they leave primary school.

We will also be introducing a whole school writing competition, the winners of which will be announced during Hillcroft's Reading Week, week commencing 20<sup>th</sup> March.

During Reading Week there will be many activities planned and we will be relaunching the Hillcroft Library. Following the building work last year the library has been relocated to the Lower School. Friends of Hillcroft have helped fund the move, providing new furniture and painting murals, bringing to life storybook characters. We are looking forward to the opening of the library, the children will have the opportunity to borrow books, helping to encourage a love of reading.



**Nursery will be celebrating World Book Day on Wednesday 1st March**, as this is the overlap day when all the nursery children attend, so they can all take part. The children are invited to dress up as their favourite book character or a pirate.

#### Bags 2 School

Please help us to raise funds for the school by recycling any unwanted clothing.

We have a partnership with a company called Bag 2 School, which specialises in recycling **good quality second hand clothing that can be re-used**, and fundraising for the school. All clothing collected by Bags 2 School is sold to importers and wholesalers in many countries of Eastern and Western Europe, Africa and Asia.

Bag 2 School bags are being given to the children this week. If you collect more than a bag full – any bag will do. The more we collect the bigger the benefit to our school! All the bags we collect are weighed and the school receives payment per tonne. There is no limit on the number of bags to fill!

Please bring in all bags on **MONDAY 6<sup>th</sup> MARCH** and leave them in the shelter in the front playground ready for collection at 9.00am. Please do not return the bags to school before this date, we do not have the room to store them. Thank you.

#### Paint your Pinkie Purple

Thank you for your support, we raise a total of £176 for the Rotary Club charity End Polio Now. This equates to approximately 1300 children receiving their inoculation against polio, which really puts into perspective the value of our charity days. The Rotary Club of Caterham extend their thanks.

<u>Dates for your Diary</u>	
Wednesday 1st March	GLF Science Fair Grand Final
	Nursery celebrating World Book Day – dressing up as a book character or pirate
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> March	World Book Day – dress up as a book character
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> March	Bags 2 School Collection
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> March	Blast Science
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> March	Maths Workshops
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March	Author David Fuller visiting KS2
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> March	Red Nose Day
Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> March	Easter Bonnet parade – Reception – information to follow
	Year 1 Workshop – Great Fire of London
Friday 31st March	INSET Day – Break up for Easter holidays
Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> April	Reception Trip to Bockets Farm

# Author Visit



On Wednesday 22nd March 2017, Children's author David Fuller will be visiting Hillcroft Primary School to talk to the KS2 children about his popular Alfie Jones series and explain what inspires him as a writer. He will also be reading a Chapter from his first book and asking the Children to engage in some role playing activities.

The Alfie Jones series Centres around a football-mad boy whose Chance meeting with a mysterious fortune teller at a fun-fair is set to alter the Course of his life. Please Visit the website:

www.alfie-jones.Co.uk for more information.

David will also be selling and signing copies of his book(s) at the reduced price of £4.50 (usually £5) to any Children who would like a copy.





