

Science Competition – ‘Science Selfie’

Your child is invited to take a picture of themselves with a scientific object – this could be in your house, in a museum or anywhere with anything, that they decide is to do with science. To submit their entry they will need to log on to their school’s google drive (using their log in and password) and copy and paste it into a Google doc, which they will then need to share with 'Tom Holloway'. Alternatively, they could print it out and give the picture to Mr Holloway. There will be prizes for the most imaginative selfie.

We hope the children will be interested in entering this competition and we thank you for your support with this initiative. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to speak to Mr Holloway on the playground after school.

Harvest Assembly

As we are approaching harvest time, Hillcroft will be collecting for the Caterham Food Bank this year. The Caterham Food Bank is part of a nationwide network of foodbanks, supported by the Trussel Trust, working to combat poverty and hunger across the UK. They provide three days nutritionally balanced emergency food and support to local people who are referred to them in crisis. No one in our community should have to face going hungry! Every day people in the UK go hungry for reasons ranging from redundancy to receiving an unexpected bill on a low income. A simple box of food makes a big difference. Over 90% of the food distributed by foodbanks in the Trussell Trust network, is donated by the public. They would welcome donations of non-perishable food items but particularly UHT milk, powdered milk, tinned sponge puddings and tinned rice puddings, also deodorant and bags for life are very useful. Please hand any donations in to the school office from Monday 16th October to Friday 20th October.

We regret we will not be inviting parents to join us for the Harvest Assembly this year due to the capacity of the hall.



Attendance

The best attendance figures for last week were:

Class	House	Year Group	Whole School
Beech	Brunel	Year 1 and Year 3	
99.17%	98.82%	97.88%	96.27%

House Charities

Each year the Houses choose a charity to support, and host a fundraising day for their charity. The House charities this year are:

Brunel	RSPCA
Lovelace	The Breck Foundation
Newton	Cancer Research
Darwin	The Trussell Trust

School Council

The School Council is a group of students who are elected to represent the views of all the pupils, who work together to help improve their school. The School Council meet regularly with Miss Summers to discuss ideas. The main focus of the School Council this year is to continue working towards being an Eco-School.

The School Council representatives this year are:

Year	Class	Representative
2	Chestnut	Dylan Webb
2	Sycamore	Maisie Reeve
3	Rowan	Antonia Davey
3	Maple	Daisy Patton
4	Cedar	Luca Gillam
4	Birch	Connor Ellis
5	Aspen	Scarlett Taylor
5	Larch	Charlotte Groves
6	Hawthorns	Albie Williams-Turner
6	Oak	Daniel Hatt
6	Acer	Samuel Goff

There will be a School Council meeting on Wednesday 4th October at 9.00am.

Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 3 rd October	Year 6 Screening
Thursday 5 th October	Open Morning for prospective parents 9.30am
Wednesday 11 th October	Friends of Hillcroft Meeting 7.30pm – at school
Monday 16 th October	EYFS/ KS1 Perform Workshop
Tuesday 17 th October	Year 5 trip to The British Museum
Thursday 19 th October	Year 4 trip to Battle Abbey
Monday 30 th October	Year 6 Victorian Workshop
Wednesday 1 st November	Reception Class – Bedtime Stories Day
Wednesday 15 th November	Open Morning for prospective parents 9.30am
Friday 24 th November	INSET Day
Wednesday 14 th December	Reception Christmas Performance – information to follow
Thursday 4 th January	Reception Class – dressing up day - information to follow



Caterham Fireworks 2017 - Saturday 4th November

It is Bonfire and fireworks time again, and Caterham Round Table are working hard to lay on another spectacular night, all to benefit local good causes. This year they have asked us to advertise the event – if you purchase your tickets online they will donate 10% of the ticket price to the school – please use the link below:

1. Click our unique webpage link, buy your tickets online
2. You get emailed a copy of your barcode ticket (at purchase and again before the event)
3. Then, on the night. Use the ticket-only gate, to scan your ticket barcode.

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/caterham-fireworks-2017-by-caterham-round-table-tickets-36281624315?aff=SchHillcroft>

The Torchlight Procession is the start of the night. Meeting at 6pm beside the Caterham Hill Library for a 6:30pm departure lead by the Redhill Corp of Drums.

The Dene Field Gates open at 6pm. With food and beverages being sold by local groups and charities. The bonfire will be lit at 7.00pm

Safety Message

For crowd safety - please do not bring sparklers or any fireworks into the event.

Wear good footwear, dress for the weather and bring a torch.

Caterham Round Table and all their supporting community groups, look forward to seeing you at the Torchlight Procession, and the Dene Field.