



HILLCROFT PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



Nurturing children to achieve their personal best

June 27th 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

We are fast approaching the end of the year. Next Wednesday 2nd July is our Transition Morning. We will be sending home details of your child's class and teacher on Tuesday 1st July. This is an exciting time but can come with mixed emotions. Please do be reassured that our whole school Thrive lessons have been helping prepare the children for these changes and that it is completely normal to feel nervous about new classes and new teachers.

We are hoping that many of you are able to join us for our Summer Fair on Sunday July 6th. It promises to be a fun day with a colour run plus many market stalls, hot food and a raffle. Come and join the fun!

Key Dates:



Please click in the link below to access our key dates document. This is updated throughout the year and we encourage you all to check it regularly to ensure you have up to date information about the key events happening in school.

Key Dates Document

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Year 1 Celebration Assembly

Monday 30th June

9:15 – Willow Class

2:15 – Beech Class

Assembly will be in the school hall. Please enter the school via the hall door, in the school car park.

 **Online School Uniform**
the easy way to buy school uniforms online

Last free school delivery 17th July cut off to receive order 4th July.



DE STAFFORD FUN RUN



We, at de Stafford School, are organising a Fun Run as a fundraising and community event on behalf of the GLF Schools' Foundation and are opening it up to as many children and families from our local GLF Schools communities.

Established in 2022, the GLF Schools' Foundation seeks to provide opportunities for all young people within our schools to have exposure to opportunities and experiences regardless of their financial background. The Foundation aims to minimise the socio-economic barriers that exist, preventing young children from exploring, experiencing, and enjoying a variety of beneficially healthy activities.

Come along and run/walk/race one, two, three, four, or five laps of a 1km loop around our field and enjoy a coffee/tea and some cake. With donations on entry to the run (£1 minimum per person) and for refreshments – any monies donated will go direct to the Foundation.

Where: de Stafford School main field

When: Saturday 5 July

Time: First mass start at 10am – feel free to join us a little later (we aim to finish starts by 11am)

Refreshments: Any donations of cakes for sale will be gratefully received (ingredients/allergens list included please)

Dress: Own kit, School PE kit, fancy dress...

We hope as many of you can join us as possible to celebrate our local community and GLF membership and, most importantly, to raise plenty of money for the Foundation.

Ensure you turn up and are warmed up!

Early Years

In Nursery we have been talking about our 'strengths' and our 'skills'. We shared our photos with our friends and took turns to talk and listen to each other. We are all proud of the different things we can do.



Reception

We have been learning about how we keep our teeth clean and healthy in Reception this week!



KS1

Year 2s trip to Fryland's Wood. We tried rock climbing, archery, map reading, grass sledding and an assault course. A very busy day!



LKS2

As part of their STEM project, year 3 have been exploring how to clean water..



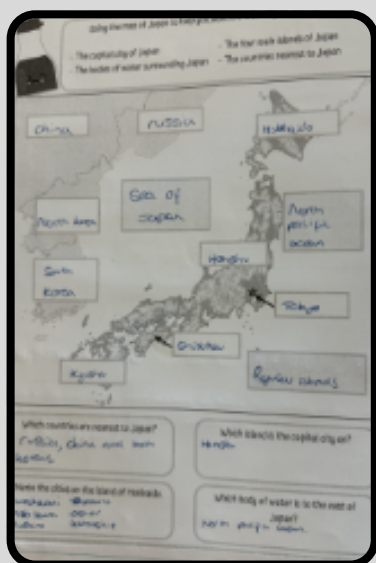
Year 5

As part of National Sports Week, we had a dance workshop where we learnt the Charlston dance. It was energetic and fast paced, and everyone joined in. Miss Harris-Mills really stole the show, and revealed she had a background in musical theatre!



Year 6

This week, year 6 started learning about Japan in Geography. They have been looking at where it is, the countries that are around it and why it is more prone to earthquakes. The children have also been looking at Japanese artwork and had a go at doing some themselves.



WORKSHOPS

Please see links below to all workshops that have been delivered this school year. Whilst we always hope you are able to attend these we recognise that this isn't always possible. We will continue to review how we deliver workshops in order to ensure we reach all members of our community.

[Read Write Inc Workshop](#)

[Clever Never Goes](#)

[Early Maths](#)

[Spelling Shed](#)

[Wider Curriculum](#)

[Behaviour for Learning](#)



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TALENTS AND INTERESTS

Every week in our Friday assembly we celebrate the talents and interests of our children. See the superstars we have celebrated over the last two weeks. If your child has a special achievement they would like to share please send some details and a photo to l.bonnell@hillcroftschool.org.



Isla	Year 2	Swimming and Cycling
Baden	Year 1	Cycling



CYBER SECURITY BUZZWORDS

CHEAT SHEET



Do you know your phishing from your smishing? Or the difference between malvertising and malspam? Cyber security terms can be confusing so keep this cheat sheet handy to help build your cyber resilience.

Online Safety
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Common Cyber Security Terms



Authentication

The process of identifying a user's identity, making sure that they can have permission to access a particular system and/or files.



Firewall

Any technology used to keep intruders out. This could be software or hardware that aims to block unwanted internet traffic.



Spoofing

This is when a hacker changes the IP address of an email so that it appears to come from a trusted source.



Spyware

A form of malware used by hackers with the aim of spying on you and capturing your computer activities.



Cyber resilience

Understanding when you are at risk online and having policies and procedures in place to mitigate against these threats.



Hacker

Any person who attempts to gain unauthorized access to a system with the intent to cause mischief, damage, or theft.



Trojan Horse

A malware that disguises itself as something innocent (e.g. an online game) but allows a hacker access to your computer.



Virus (Malware)

Changes, corrupts, or destroys information and passes it to other systems. In some cases, a virus can cause physical damage to a device.

Phishing Terms

Phishing attacks are the most common form of cyber attack in the UK



Phishing

The use of 'real' or authentic looking messages and emails pretending to be someone or something else to gain access to your personal information and/or account details.



Spear phishing

A highly targeted phishing attack. While both scams use email to reach their victim, spear phishing involves sending customised emails to a specific individual.



Vishing

The use of phone calls or voice messages in phishing schemes. Criminals can use voice over technology to change or alter their voice, appearing more convincing to the victim.



Whaling

Attacks targeted at a senior executive, and usually don't contain a link but are looking for a 'favour' from a more junior employee e.g. buying gift cards for staff members.



Smishing

Similar to Phishing this scam looks authentic and attempts to gain access to personal information but instead of an email it uses SMS text messages.

Ransomware terms

Reports of ransomware attacks have more than doubled since 2020



Ransomware

Also known as ransom malware, is a type of malware that prevents users from accessing their system, account or personal files and demands a 'ransom' payment in order for them to regain access to their systems.



Malvertising

Also known as malicious advertising is the use of online advertising to distribute malware. This can take the form of pop up adverts. When clicked, a web page may be 'infected' and send the user's data to criminal servers.



Malspam

Also known as Malicious spam, may use the same tactics as phishing schemes, with one MAJOR difference - the link may lead to a malicious site with attachments which if clicked, will trigger malware to begin downloading.

SOS

Top Tips for Being Cyber Resilient



Do not click any suspicious links - this includes any from accounts you may know or recognise.



Remember to back up and update your device often.



Don't enter or give your personal information, account details or card details on login sites you are sent to via links.



Report scams to the appropriate authorities.



Regularly scan your devices for viruses or malware.



Pay attention to misspellings or grammatical errors in official messages/emails - this is usually an indicator.



Create a strong password and review it regularly.



If you aren't sure or don't know the sender, don't reply.



Always ignore accounts representing companies, organisations or public figures who are not verified.



Never send money to anyone in order to 'receive a gift, prize or winnings'.



ATTENDANCE

Just to remind parents/carers that if they take their children out of school without authority for 5 or more days (which do not have to be consecutive), then the following will apply:

1. If you have not incurred a penalty notice relating to this child/children in a rolling 3 year period since 19 August 2024, then the penalty notice will be charged at the rate of £160.00, per parent/carer per child, if paid within 28 days. This will be reduced to £80.00 if paid within 21 days of the receipt of the notice. Failure to pay the Penalty Notice will result in Surrey County Council considering legal proceedings against you in the Magistrates Court.
2. If you have incurred a penalty notice relating to this child/children since 9 August 2024, the rolling 3 year period will be activated from the date of the first penalty notice and the second penalty notice will be charged at a flat rate of £160.00, per parent/carer per child, if paid within 28 days. There will be no reduction for payment within 21 days. Failure to pay the Penalty Notice will result in Surrey County Council considering legal proceedings against you in the Magistrates Court.

If you have incurred 2 penalty notices relating to this child/children in the rolling 3 year period since the first penalty notice was issued, then you NOT receive a third penalty notice - Surrey County Council will have no option but to consider a prosecution, per parent/carer, in the Magistrates Court under Section 444 Education Act 1996

SICKNESS AND MEDICATIONS

Sickness & Medications/ Common childhood illnesses

When should I keep my child off school?

The Following NHS guidelines state;

- Chicken pox; for at least 5 days from the onset of rash and until all blisters have crusted over
- Diarrhoea and vomiting; return 48 hours after last episode of either
- Cold and flu like illnesses; if your child has no temperature then minor symptoms can be managed at school. With a temperature, keep them home until this has subsided and they are feeling well enough.
- Impetigo; Keep your child home until all sores have crusted and healed or 48 hours after they have started antibiotics.
- Measles; Keep your child home until at least 4 days after the rash first appeared.
- Mumps; keep your child home for 5 days after the swelling started
- Scarlet Fever; keep your child home until 24 hours after starting antibiotics
- Whooping Cough; keep your child home until 48 hours after starting antibiotics.

Children can attend school with;

- Hand Foot and Mouth, if they are well enough.
- Head Lice; Please ensure you treat the child/family according to the treatment, and repeat as instructed. Also, please let school know as soon as you are aware.
- Threadworms; Please treat accordingly and ensure hand hygiene is practiced often.
- Slapped Cheek
- Tonsillitis

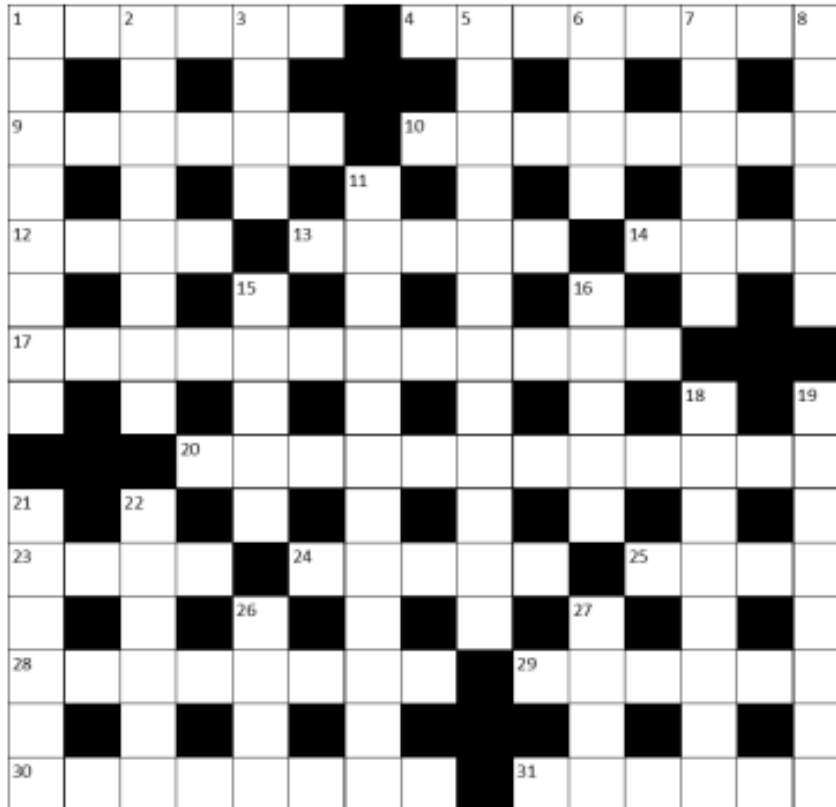
Calpol may be administered in school if you feel there is a need for your child throughout the school day. Please speak to office staff who will provide a medication form to be completed. Where possible please supply the Calpol/paracetamol as we have only limited emergency supply.

Antibiotics can be administered again with a medication form, however only if the medication is needed 3 or more times a day.

A high temperature is classified as 38 degrees. If your child has a temperature during the school day, we will contact you to come and collect them. Please do not send your child/Children into school with a high temperature. Always seek medical advice from your GP.

CATERHAM FESTIVAL

Caterham Festival Cash Prize Crossword Competition



For extra fun go online and download the
Caterham Cryptic Quiz at
www.caterhamfestival.org

Down

- 1** Assorted patterns in a church (8)
2 & 27 Bookish celebration (8,4)
3 Either way it's midday (4)
5 ? (9,3)
6 Boast about wearing clothing back to front (4)
7 Stolen, then arrested (6)
8 Manliness sans sin becomes saintly (6)
11 Great value for potatoes (5,2,5)
15 Stop a large area on a ship (5)
16 Arthur's charwoman, say (5)
18 Avoid having to manage email (3,1,4)
19 Sounding feeble Monday to Friday (8)
21 Excited to shorten a jacket (6)
22 Sweater for a frog (6)
26 Opposed drinking it with tonic (4)
27 See 2 down

Across

- 1** Has Britain got it? (6)
4 & 14 Barn dance in Richmond? (8,4)
9 Norse god after gold she writes (6)
10 Before the deeds are done, goes OTT (8)
12 Ride waves on the internet (4)
13 & 25 Caterham Pete's paranormal preambulation (5,4)
14 See 4 across
17 South American soundly naked like Mr Bond's creation. (8,4)
20 Legally flee from a pouncing cat (6,6)
23 A sad colour (4)
24 A small ice-cream for tea? (5)
25 See 13 across
28 Separated notes on a large scale (8)
29 Revealed secret in a blink of an eye (6)
30 Perhaps sense ire in 13 and 25? (8)
31 The rest are left after Mum departs (6)



Drop off completed crossword (with name and contact details) at
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www.caterhamfestival.org
Prize and Solution 15th July