



Hillview Primary School

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We are delighted to have been awarded the Achievement for All Quality Mark, this recognises the school's dedication to ensuring all children and families are supported to ensure that all children reach their full potential.

Below is an extract of the letter from the AFA assessor

"I was impressed by your passion and the detailed knowledge which was evident in our discussion and how AFA clearly sits at the centre of your work, coupled with the time you, the staff team, parents and governors have contributed to your shared enterprise. With the children so evidently sitting at the heart of all you do within Hillview. The children are a credit to you, they are happy to be in your school and surrounded by a super environment that inspires them to work at the highest level."

We have also been awarded the Embracing Thrive Award. We are able to use this to show that as a school we have trained Thrive Approach practitioners and that the principles of Thrive, which helps adults to prepare children for life's emotional ups and downs are embedded within the school.



As a school, we are very proud to have gained these awards and I would like to thank the children, parents, staff and governors for their support in enabling us to gain them.

Best wishes. Rebecca Curtis.

Thank you to those of you who attended the Tea and Toast event which focused on The Prevent Duty. We spent some time exploring what the Prevent Duty and British Values Education mean at Hillview School and Early Years. We also looked at this statement from the Prevent Duty:

"Schools and childcare providers can also build pupils' resilience to radicalisation by promoting fundamental British values and enabling them to challenge extremist views. It is important to emphasise that the Prevent duty is not intended to stop pupils debating controversial issues. On the contrary, schools should provide a safe space in which children, young people and staff can understand the risks associated with terrorism and develop the knowledge and skills to be able to challenge extremist arguments." p.5 The Prevent Duty 2015.

And discussed how, following a terrorist attack, Mrs Curtis will conduct an assembly on the theme of Peace and the importance of being able to be free to voice your own opinions in a non-threatening way. If you have any further queries on The Prevent Duty and British Values please do not hesitate to contact me.

Chloe's Dream

As many of you will know Chloe's family and friends are busy raising money so that Chloe in Class 3 can have a life changing SDR operation.

Mrs Hemming and Miss Chubb are running the Tewkesbury Half Marathon on 15th May. They are collecting sponsorship money to raise money for Chloe's Dream. If you would like to sponsor them please pop your donation into the school office in an envelope marked Chloe's Dream– Half Marathon. Many thanks.

The school council have an action team working on Fundraising ideas to raise money for Chloe's Dream. We anticipate that we will dedicate a day to sponsored events and collecting donations from dressing up on Tuesday 19th July. Parents and carers will be invited to join us in the afternoon, so pop the date in your diary! More news to follow from the Chloe's Dream Action Team and the School Council.

If you would like to know more about Chloe's Dream or donate money yourself then please visit

<http://superherofoundation.org/superheroes/chloes-dream>

Date	What's happening?	Where and when is it happening?
12.4.16	Term 5 starts	
2.5.16	May Day Bank Holiday	School Closed
9.5.16-13.5.16	Year 6 test week	
16.5.16-20.5.16	Year 2 test week	
25.5.16	Sports Day	
27.5.16	Term 5 Ends	3.05/3.10pm
6.6.16	Term 6 Starts	
7.6.16	R.E and History Day	
8.6.16	Coffee and Cake	2pm
13.6.16-17.6.16	Year 4 swimming	am
19.7.16	Chloe's Dream Fundraising Day	
20.7.16	Theme Shares	pm
20.7.16	Year 6 Leavers Evening	pm
21.7.16	End of Term 6	3.05/3.10pm
22.7.16	INSET DAY 5	

Works are being carried out to improve the toilets in the KS1 corridor. From September the Reception classroom will be in that corridor. Year 1 will be in the old reception classroom and therefore gain the advantage of outside space and Year 2 will be in the old ICT suite. The current Year 2 classroom will be used for Pastoral and SEN interventions. We have also been granted a bid to improve the KS2 corridor toilets in 16/17. We are upgrading the wireless and have purchased more tablets to support ICT and computing across the school.

Coffee and Cake

The next Coffee and Cake meeting for parents and carers to meet with Mrs Curtis will be on

Wednesday 8th June at 2pm in The Hive

Days that the school is closed in 2016

Monday 2nd May (Bank holiday)

Thursday 23rd June (Polling station)

Friday 22nd July (Inset 5)

Thursday 1st September (Inset 1)

Friday 2nd September (Inset 2)

2016/2017 term dates are now available on the school website

Please note we are open to children on Thursday May 5th as The Hive is being used as the polling station (not the hall).



We have places available for September, so please get in touch to find out more.

September 2016 intake sessions available

Monday - Friday

Term -Time

Caring, qualified and experienced staff

Follows the Early Year Foundation Stage (EYFS)

Forest School

Enclosed garden and outdoor covered area for outdoor learning

We accept children from 2 years 9 months to school age

We accept the 2, 3, 4 Government Nursery Education FREE 15 hours

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Swimming

From this summer swimming lessons will be carried out daily to Year 4 children, rather than each year group going once a week for a term. Research shows that attending intensive swimming lessons (e.g. daily over a week) is a more effective approach to learning to swim. Year 4 will be going swimming every day in the week beginning 13th June 2016. There is no charge to parents and carers for these lessons. If you have any queries please contact Miss Martinez in the school office.