

## News 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2019

### Welcome back to school for Term 5.

#### Dates for your diary...

Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> April	Adoptive Families Coffee Morning
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> May	School closed for Bank Holiday
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> May	KS1 SATs
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> May	Friends Quiz Night 7.30pm
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> May	Dyslexia Coffee Morning
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> May	Reception & Yr 1 Bedtime Story Evening
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> May	House Sports Day at Knowle Cricket Ground
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> May	Reception Parents' Evening 3.30 - 6.00
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> May	Yrs 1 - 6 Parents' Evening 4.00 - 6.00
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	Reception Parents' Evening 3.30 - 6.00 Plant Sale after school
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May	Yrs 1 - 6 Parents' Evening 4.00 - 6.00
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> May	Open Doors Day (Computing) End of Term

**A warm Hillcrest welcome** to Ellie Armstrong, our new Business Manager, who joined us today. She brings a wealth of experience in school financial management and is going to be a real asset to Hillcrest. We're all looking forward to working with her.

**Tomorrow's football tournament** - Please note that the venue has changed. The parents concerned have been emailed individually, but just in case - The tournament will now be held at Bristol Metropolitan Academy, Snowdon Road, Fishponds BS16 2HD.

**Term 5 Enrichment Programme** - SuperStars Clubs and school run clubs all start this week, along with most of the clubs run by outside providers (please check the information you had from them when booking). Click [here](#) to download the latest about this term's programme, including the updated booking link for Mindful Chess and information from Hazel Winter about Guitar tuition.

**Little Linguists Friday French Club** still has some spaces remaining. Does your child enjoy their French lessons already? Are they keen to get a head start? Would they like to progress faster and use French in everyday situations?

Our French club, led by Abbi and Felicity, is lively and dynamic. Children are split into two groups by age (Reception to Yr 2 and Yrs 3 to 6), with the younger children focusing on learning French through songs, playground games and storytelling whilst the older group put their French into practice through role play, songs, drama, and some written practice. This complements their school learning and the everyday situations are ideal for anyone going on holiday to France! Get the kids ready to order their own ice-creams this summer.

For further information please contact Felicity at <mailto:littlelinguistsbristol@gmail.com> or on 07818292912

**Head Lice** - Thank you very much to everyone who's checked their children's hair over the holidays. Hopefully, we're starting the new term nit and louse free! To help keep this up, there's a box of fine toothed combs (in fun, neon colours) on the counter outside the office. Help yourself - they're free (though a small donation in the collection box alongside would be welcome).

**Thread Worms** - Whilst on the subject of unwelcome passengers... a parent has flagged up a problem with repeated re-infection in Yr 2. These pests spread incredibly easily but, fortunately, are also very easily and safely treated, with a single, chewable tablet available over the counter from any pharmacy. You can find information from the NHS about symptoms, treatment and prevention [here](#).

### **Friends News**

Brief Friends' Planning Meeting - 8.30 - 9.30 pm at the Knowle Pub on Wednesday 1st May. A quickie to plan the Parents Quiz Night and Reception & Yr 1 Bedtime Story Evening.

Friends are looking for parent volunteers to help with the Bedtime Story Evening - would you like to help make the hall look lovely or serve the hot chocolate? If so, come along to the meeting on 1<sup>st</sup> May, speak to Louisa's mum, Helen Drane, or drop an email to the address below.

Budding Quiz-masters - Do you fancy contributing a round of questions for the Friends' Parents Quiz night? Use of music, visuals etc are all possible. Please email your questions to Adam Baddeley at <mailto:friendsofhillcrestfundraising@gmail.com> (you are also very welcome to read your questions on the night but that's totally optional).

## **Community Notices**

[Ready, Steady, SEND event flyer](#)

**Look out for your next Mailbag on Friday.**