



# Hillstone News

## Pastoral Manager

After 23 years of service to Hillstone, we are sorry to say that Ms Hepburn is moving on and will be working in the newly formed Early Help Team for this area, she will therefore be helping even more children. We wish her all the best and I'm sure she will keep in touch with us. We have appointed Gemma Gibbon as the new pastoral manager, many of you will already know her and Ms Hepburn is doing an excellent job of ensuring the transition is as smooth as possible.



## Nursery Wet Play Day

Thank you so much to our wonderful nursery parents. We were unable to organise a nursery trip for the children, so had a splash day instead. Nursery staff asked for donations of water play equipment and were overwhelmed with a generous response. Parents bought in new paddling pools and lots of water toys. We need wonderful parents like this to join our PTA. We are desperate to start community events again, such as bonfire night and Halloween Disco.

## Marcus Rashford Book Club

*This week, all our Year 5 children were given a free book - A Dinosaur Ate My Sister - thanks to a national initiative called the Marcus Rashford Book Club. We were delighted when we were accepted onto it as we knew how much our children would love their free books. And, although it is called a book club, it doesn't have any of the rules or expectations of a normal book club and is simply about sharing some wonderful books with our children.*

*Marcus is a youth role model making a real impact with young people. See what Evie Hartford in 5U had to say about the recent backlash following the finals of the 2021 UEFA European Football Championships.*



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## LAST DAYS OF TERM

- 19th July 2021 • Year 6 Leavers Performance
- 20th July 2021 • Last day of term for children except year 6  
• Year Achievers Awards  
• Year 6 Leavers Performance
- 21st July 2021 • Induction day for new reception and new nursery  
• Year 6 Fun Day - children to arrive at school by 10.00am for an Inflatable party  
• Staff and year 6 barbecue, followed by traditional Year 6 v staff water fight

## Language and Behaviour Modelling

As you know I have become concerned by aspects of some of the children's behaviour and interactions with each other. I put this deteriorating position down to the impact that the pandemic has had on our children. We are trying to address this by ensuring we have engaging interesting activities for our children both during school lessons and extra curricular lessons. We also want to ensure we have high expectations of behaviour. It will support us enormously if you always provide a good role model for children whilst on the school grounds. Do not swear or use inappropriate language in front of the children. If you are angry or upset about an issue please come and talk to teachers in a respectful manner.



# HILLSTONE STARS

Each week, teachers choose Hillstone Stars from each class. They will all be celebrated on the Hillstone Stars tab on our website. Here are this weeks outstanding pupils.

Jessica-Mai Lewis      Olivia Smart      Isabel McDonald

Rhys Hewitt      Dylan Walsh      Lexi Hickman

Kosi Odogwu      Heidi-Louise Southam-Beebe

Dylan Hancox      Rachael O'Farrell

Callum-John Hughes      Gracie-Leigh Gillchrist

Brogan-Jai Moore      Ethan Bunting

