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Church of England Primary School
Trafford

# Summer 1 2023

## Message from the Principal

It's nearly the end of the school year and we have had a brilliant year so far. Well done to our Year 6 and Year 2 pupils who have worked so hard on their SAT's in the last few weeks.

We have had an action packed term and we still have plenty more to come in the final half term. Our Year 6 class have just auditioned for their end of year performance; we have our school sports day coming up; our Friends of St Hilda's are extra busy planning our Summer Fair.

We'd like to give our congratulations to Mrs Roddy, formerly Miss Gray, on her recent wedding. She assures us she had a wonderful day and the staff got to have a wedding cake taser the following day – yummy!

I would like to take this opportunity to remind you that school is back open on Tuesday 6th June.

Happy Half Term, Miss Plant

## Attendance

Attendance is very important at St Hilda's. We are aiming for at least 96% attendance as a school.

Just a reminder that if your child has sickness or diarrhoea, they should stay off for 48 hours. If your child cannot attend school, please call the office, and inform them of the reason.

Pupils will receive attendance certificates for good attendance each half-term.







Tuesday 13th June

Class Photos

Friday 16th June

Nursery visit to St. Hilda's Church (am)

Reception visit to St. Hilda's Church (pm)

'The Original NED show' performance for

KS1 & KS2

Monday 19th June

Year 4 Bridgewater Hall trip

Friday 23rd June

Y5/6 & Y6 Blackpool Zoo trip

Friday 7th July

KS1 visit to the Lowry

Thursday13th July

Sports Day

Friday 14th July

Summer Fair

21st July- 1st September

Summer Holidays

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Car Parking

We ask that you do not park on the road in front of school as it makes accessibility very difficult for residents that live on this road. If you park on Rye Bank Road, please do not park in front of driveways as this causes problems for residents. Please also avoid leaving your engine idling for long periods of time as this can create dangerous fumes for the environment. St Hilda's appreciate your support in keeping our children safe on the road.

It is so important to be an excellent role model for our pupils at all times! We are asking you to support us on this when accessing our playground. Look at the ground rules below:

- **No dogs on the playground**
- **Dismount on the playground**
- **No littering in or around our school**

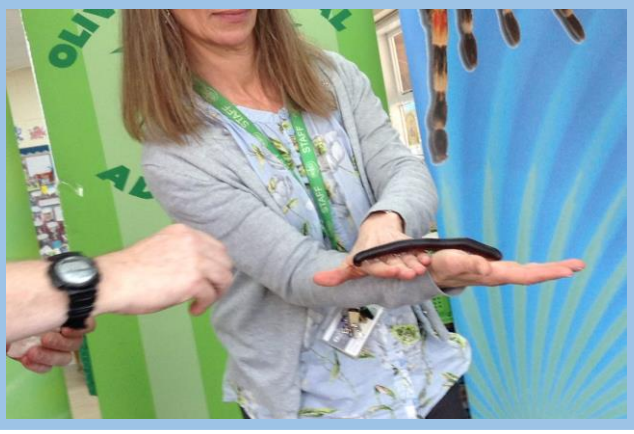
At St. Hilda's we are always conscious of the safety of our pupils. Safeguarding is part of keeping children safe and is everyone's responsibility. If you would like to discuss any concerns about the safety or wellbeing of the children, you can contact our Designated Safeguarding Leads, Miss Plant, Ms Beaumont and Mrs Thomas.

# What have we been up to this term?





Our Nursery children had a visit from 'The Creepy Crawly Show' who brought in some incredible animals for the children to meet and interact with. These included snakes, insects and even an owl.

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On Friday 21st April, children from St. Hilda's were asked to represent the school at the unveiling of a blue plaque to commemorate the childhood home of Edwards Charlton VC. You may be aware that Edward attended St. Hilda's and during the Second World War he fought for our country. Mrs Thomas was very proud of the children as they all took part in the service, in front of members of the family and local representatives from Trafford. We met nieces of Edward Charlton and saw his medals, including a replica of the Victoria Cross which was awarded for his brave deeds.

Reception and Nursery children took care of 5 little ducklings just before the Easter holidays. They came to us as eggs and the children watched them hatch and taught them how to swim.







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Year 4JS did a fantastic job during their Class Assembly. The masks were amazing, and their singing and dancing was brilliant. Everyone who came to watch had an amazing time.






Year 3 children went on a trip to the Museum of Science and Industry. They had a fantastic time exploring and interacting with the museum. Read what they had to say about it:






I loved the museum. I liked Turn It Up because the bulbs light up when we pressed the buttons.
– Jonas, age 7

I loved it. It was so good. I really want to go again. My favourite thing was the bulbs you press to make sound.
– Eleanor, Year 3

I liked the room with the calming music and a bed.
– Erin, age 7

I liked it because it had a bunch of sounds. I love the lockers. Harry Kane is the best.
– Yunus, Year 3

I loved the Turn It Up exhibition. I loved the musical lockers and the music in the headphones.
– Zoë, Year 3

I loved the music in the headphones but my favourite was the Duplo blocks. They were awesome!
– Zoë, Year 3

I loved it. The best was the glowing up room. It was amazing. It was astonishing.
– Mohammed, age 8

I liked all of Turn It Up, especially all of the sounds. It was really happy and joyful.
– Shanzay, age 8

I liked the bit where you could listen to songs that famous people like to listen to.
– Zachary, Year 3

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KS1 pupils were finally able to go and visit Longford Park at the start of this term. The children were able to explore the park and see the different types of trees as part of their Science learning about trees, plants, and different types of habitats.

We had a visit from Mad Science who came in to do an assembly for us. Well done to all the children who got involved in the assembly and helped with some of the experiments. Mad Science are going to be running an After School Club after the half term, if you haven't already signed up and would like to please click the link: STEM Programs | Science for Kids | Mad Science








Our Year 3 children also presented their Class Assembly this term and all the children did an amazing job. They performed a poem about Year 3 and got some of the parents and carers involved in the assembly. Thank you to everyone who came and supported them.

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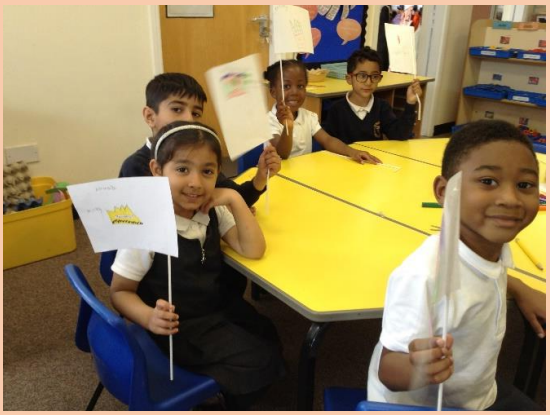
Earlier this month, the country witnessed the Coronation of King Charles III. The children learned about the ceremony, the history behind the rituals, the crown jewels and what to expect on the day. Some children did further work making flower crowns, designing bunting or flags and drew their own royal portraits.











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Nursery have been creating a wormery. They did a worm dance which made the worms think it was raining and come to the surface so they could catch them. They have also built a bug hotel. They have been very busy caring for our minibeasts as they learn how important they are to our planet.











This week some of our Year 6 children have been taking part in Bikeability sessions where they learn how to maintain their bikes and how to ride their bikes safely on the road. We have been very proud of their conduct both when riding on the playground and outside of school.

*At St Hilda's the children have been using PurpleMash to learn Computing, one of the many brilliant things about PurpleMash is that it can be accessed at home! The children are free to log on anytime and explore the website.*

*There are opportunities for coding, spreadsheets, animation, art and so much more!*

*Either find PurpleMash via Google or type in [www.purplemash.com/sch/sthildasm16](www.purplemash.com/sch/sthildasm16)*

*Mr James - Computing Lead*

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# What are we doing next term?

We've got a very busy Summer Term planned for after the half term holidays. Take a look at some of the fun things we are going to be getting up to here at St Hilda's.

On Friday 23rd June our Y5/6 and Y6 children will be going to visit Blackpool Zoo.

On Friday 7th July KS1 will be going on a school trip to the Lowry to take part in an Art Workshop.

On Monday 19th June our Year 4 classes are going to the Bridgewater Hall for an uplifting refugee performance exploring music from all over the world.

Our School Sports Day will be on Thursday 13th July.

EYFS/KS1 will take part in the morning.

KS2 will take part in the afternoon.

Class photos take place on Tuesday 13th June. Please make sure everyone comes into school in their school uniform.

Our School Fair will be held on Friday 14th July. If you would like to help and get involved our Friends of St Hilda's are planning in during their coffee afternoons which take place every Friday at 2:15pm. We'd love to see you there.

On Friday 16th June we will have the original NED show performing

Who will be teaching us how to **N**ever Give up, **E**ncourage others and **D**o our best

E-Safety Message from Mr. James:

It is important to remind ourselves and our children to stay safe online. As always, we advise parents and carers to make use of parental controls on your devices. In particular, some social media sites such as TikTok are often unregulated and easy for malicious posts to bypass. Have a wonderful break and stay safe in both the real and virtual worlds!

Please make yourself familiar with the safeguarding section of our website- Safeguarding - St Hilda's CE Primary School (sthildasprimary.co.uk)

If your child uses Tik Tok please click here and if they use Roblox please click here.

Info from this year's safer internet day. - https://saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/safer-internet-day-2023/parents-and-carers

NSPCC - https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/

NSPCC - Social Media safety https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/social-media/

After School Clubs

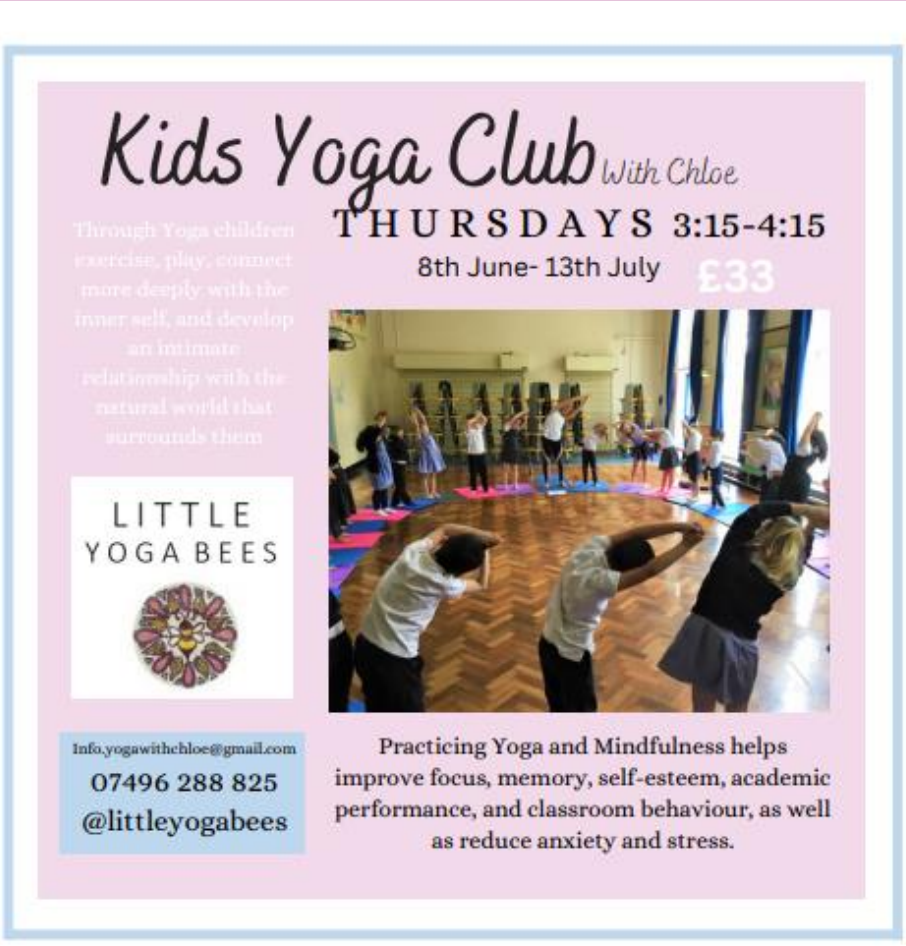
**Mad Science** Will be starting Monday 12th June and will be running every Monday until 17th July. If you are interested in joining, please follow the link: STEM Programs | Science for Kids | Mad Science

**Awesome Arts Club** Will be returning for our Summer Term, if you are interested in registering, please follow the link: https://awesomeartsclub.co.uk/make-a-booking/

**Multisports** will continue to run after the half term break.
Reception and KS1 will be doing **Rugby club** until 13th July.
Lower KS2 will be doing **Cricket club** until 11th July.
Upper KS2 will be doing **Rounders** until 12th July.

**Lower KS2 Dance Club** will be continuing after the half term until 10th July

**Steel Pan group** meets every Monday, 3:30pm and 4:30pm for Years 4, 5, and 6.



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Friends and Family Activities

Every Friday afternoon 2:15pm - 3:15pm we host our **Friends of St Hilda's Coffee Afternoon**. It's a great way to meet other parents/carers, promote a dialogue between parents and school and join in school activities, or just join us for a brew and biscuits! Preschool children are welcome, we have a selection of toys, milk or squash and fruit all provided by school. So far this year we have prepared the courtyard for gardening activities for next year, created backdrops for the KS1 Nativity and planned both the School Disco and the Family Movie Night. Recently they have had visits from Trafford Teams Together, planted a wildflower garden and they are in the process of planning for the summer fair.
Even if you can't come in person, please follow us on Facebook where you can learn more about what we do.
Friends of St Hilda's Vantage | Stretford | Facebook
We look forward to seeing you!

Follow us on social media:

St Hilda's CE Primary School - Vantage Academies | Stretford | Facebook

(1) St.Hilda's Primary (@school_sthildas) / Twitter

www.sthildasprimary.co.uk We have lots of support on there for families with information on wellbeing, support services in the area and an internet safety section.




Our Friends of St Hilda's
will be selling 2nd Hand Uniform
Every Friday between 2:15 and 3:30pm
In the School Library.
We look forwards to seeing you!
All donations towards this are greatly appreciated, a huge thank you to everyone who has already donated.

Support for families
We understand that times are difficult at the moment, so we have found some information that may be helpful for you.

https://helpforhouseholds.campaign.gov.uk Provides an update on support available for energy bills, childcare costs, transport costs, discounts, etc

https://www.citizensadvice.org.uk/deb t-and-money/get-help-with-the-cost-of-living/ - Outlines what support is available nationally.
https://Britishgasenergytrust.org.uk / independent fuel debt advice- British gas energy Trust.

**Manchester City Council:**

Cut your costs | Cut your costs | Manchester City Council

Debt advice | Debt advice | Manchester City Council

Help with energy bills | Help with energy bills | Manchester City Council

**Trafford Council:**

Support with money matters | Trafford Director y

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https://www.trafford.gov.uk/residents/news/articles/2022/20221012-Cost-of-living-support-package-unveiled-in-Trafford.aspx

**Supporting your financial wellbeing**

Introducing - The Academy of Money. The Open University (OU) has joined forces with MoneySavingExpert (MSE) to produce this new free course to give you the skills and knowledge to master your finances. The course was written by the OU, with MSE providing support and guidance.

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# School Direct Teacher Training

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**Our Teach North West School Direct course is expanding into Merseyside and East Manchester and we are currently recruiting trainees to begin their teacher training journey from September 2021**

**Do you know an outstanding candidate looking to begin teacher training?**

At Teach North West, training is delivered in school from the very first day.

**If you find that you learn best 'on the job' and would prefer to do all of your training and practice at a local school, then our highly nurturing and trainee-focused School Direct course could be the best route for you.**






*Here's what some of our past trainees have to say about the course:*

*"The course is a fantastic opportunity to work with talented teachers and see how a classroom works from start to finish. I felt really supported throughout the training and was totally prepared to have my own class in September. I love my job as a Year 2 teacher and I wouldn't have completed my teacher training any other way."* Trainee 2018, now employed within a Vantage school

*"The School Direct route gave me first-hand experience in the classroom. From the start, I was able to work alongside experienced teachers that offered exceptional support and advice. Teach Bolton fully equipped me with the knowledge and skills I needed in order to progress with my career."* Trainee 2020, now employed within an Alliance school.

**You can take a look at our website here:** www.teachnorthwest.co.uk

**Or, to find out more about beginning your teaching journey, contact Christina on 07739364322 or email** christina@teachnorthwest.co.uk

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