



LISKEARD HILLFORT PRIMARY SCHOOL | 10<sup>th</sup> December 2021

## Dear Families

It really feels that the Christmas season is kicking in. As I type this, children are looking resplendent in their Christmas jumpers, and Mrs Greenaway is loading oranges into car boots for the Christingle service! This will only be a brief note from myself as we're off to Church in a moment again!

I wish you all the best for a restful weekend. Given it is a Christmas shopping season, there's probably not much chance of that!



### Upcoming Events

17<sup>th</sup> Dec : Last Full Day at School  
20<sup>th</sup> Dec – 3<sup>rd</sup> Jan : Christmas Holidays  
4<sup>th</sup> Jan : INSET Day  
5<sup>th</sup> Jan : Return to School



### Health & Wellbeing

The role of the parent and carer is to support children to find out who they are and what they like to do. With this comes greater independence and responsibility, with children learning that they can still ask for help. We have put together some activities to support healthy social and emotional development through creativity, art and play.

Please visit the [Hillfort Newsletter](#) online to see a list of creative activities that you can use with your child to support their emotional development at home. Play releases lots of feel good chemicals that help us feel calm, steady and connected. If possible, look to do these activities for as much as 20 minutes or more each day.



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## Christmas Performances

I want to say how proud we all are – from our Early Years children to Year 6, and everyone in between – I thought that our Hillfort children rose to the event in a wonderful way. One of the highlights of my time here at Hillfort was having a full church with children, adults and many Christingle candles. This was a couple of years ago now, and we can't wait to repeat this experience. In the meantime, I've been touched by seeing lovely comments on Facebook and by parents approaching me on the gate to tell me how much they enjoyed the virtual performances. Thank you!



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## Next Week

Next week, our younger children are looking forward to a virtual pantomime being beamed in ("Oh no, they're no..."), whilst Key Stage 2 children will be heading to the public hall for a live performance of the C.S. Lewis classic story of 'The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe'. Whatever age our children are, we believe that they should be lost in the magic of stories and of storytelling! Who knows, perhaps Santa will be loading the stockings with books this year??!!



## School Staff

And finally, maybe just a word about all of the adults who work in our school. All term we've been running with significant absence due to amongst other things, covid, seasonal flu, and the multitude of bugs that can go round a primary school in winter. I have been so struck by how colleagues have pitched in and, in many cases, how they have returned from absence at the earliest possible opportunity. As we approach the final week of term, I feel it is really important that you are aware how dedicated our colleagues are to providing a great education for our Hillfort children. I am incredibly grateful to them!

## Christmas Event at Liskeard & District Museum

Liskeard & District Museum are running another craft event and trail this month, but Christmas themed!

The event will be running on the 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> December, from 10am – 4pm (but closed between 12:30-1pm). There will be a trail and activity sheet with some Cornish language included, and crafts for children to join in with.

All are welcome and the event is free!



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The  
deadline for  
applications is  
15 January  
2022

# Starting school

September 2022

Applying for a place in a reception class for children born between 1 September 2017 and 31 August 2018

## Attending a nursery or pre-school

You will need to apply even if your child attends a school's nursery or pre-school class. Please note that if a school is oversubscribed the fact that a child attends a school's nursery or pre-school, or a local nursery or pre-school, does not automatically guarantee a place at that school. The school's oversubscription criteria will be used to allocate places. Visit our website or contact us for more information.

## Information and guidance

Website and application form: [www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions)

Email: [schooladmissions@cornwall.gov.uk](mailto:schooladmissions@cornwall.gov.uk)

Post: School Admissions Team, County Hall, Truro, TR1 3AY

Telephone: 0300 1234 101

## Need help with your application?

Contact the Family Information Service on 0800 587 8191



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## Senior School Entrance & Scholarship Days

15 & 17 January 2022

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## How to Set up PARENTAL CONTROLS for APPS iPhone

Apple devices come with built-in apps already available: Mail, FaceTime and Safari, for example. However, you can choose which apps and features appear on your child's device and which ones don't. You can also manipulate the features in Game Centre to enhance your child's safety and privacy when playing games, as well as blocking iTunes or App Store purchases if you wish.

**How to Restrict Built-in Apps/Features**

- 1 Open Settings
- 2 Tap Screen Time
- 3 Tap Content & Privacy Restrictions
- 4 Tap Allowed Apps (you may need to toggle this to 'on' at the top)
- 5 Enable or disable the apps you wish to appear (or disappear) on your child's device

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- 3 Tap Content & Privacy Restrictions
- 4 Tap Content Restrictions (you may need to switch the toggle at the top to the 'on' position)
- 5 Scroll down to Game Centre
- 6 Choose between Allow, Don't Allow, or Allow with Friends Only in the settings for each feature

**How to Restrict iTunes & App Store Purchases**

- 1 Open Settings
- 2 Tap Screen Time
- 3 Tap Content & Privacy Restrictions
- 4 Tap iTunes & App Store Purchases
- 5 Select Allow or Don't Allow for each feature (you can also lock these settings with a password)

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## How to Set up PARENTAL CONTROLS for APPS Android Phone

On Android phones, restricting access to particular apps usually requires going onto Google Play. From there, it's fairly easy to navigate your way through the settings to manage the parental controls and authentications relating to any apps on the device. These features can prevent your child from downloading or buying anything unsuitable for their age. Updated versions of apps or games that your child has already installed may occasionally contain something inappropriate, so we've explained how to stop those too.

**How to Block App Downloads (This Also Disables In-app Purchases)**

- 1 Open Google Play Store
- 2 Tap the profile icon in the top right
- 3 Tap Settings
- 4 Scroll down to the Family section and tap Parental controls
- 5 Toggle 'Parental controls are on' to 'off'
- 6 Create a PIN and tap OK
- 7 Confirm your PIN and tap OK again
- 8 Tap Apps & Games
- 9 Set the age limit you wish to set
- 10 Tap Save to apply your changes

**How to Stop Auto-updates**

- 1 Open Google Play Store
- 2 Tap the profile icon in the top right
- 3 Tap Settings
- 4 Tap Auto-update apps
- 5 Select 'Don't auto-update apps' and then tap Done

**Restricting Apps Through Google Family Link**

- 1 Open Google Play Family Link for parents
- 2 Tap the three horizontal lines in the top left
- 3 Select your child's account
- 4 Tap Manage
- 5 Tap Controls on Google Play
- 6 Tap Apps & Games
- 7 Select the age limit you wish to set

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