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## Newsletter

A newsletter made by The Hillesley Potter



Hello everyone,

I can hardly believe it's been three months since I officially started The Hillesley Potter! It's been such a joy to see so many of you getting creative with clay and colour. From painting evenings full of laughter, to the first hand-building taster sessions, and even a surprise win in the school art competition – it's been a busy and inspiring start.

One highlight was spending an afternoon with the staff from Hillesley Primary School, making mugs, jugs and pots. I've also had the privilege of creating three wedding commissions this past month, which was really special for me. On top of that, meeting so many new faces at Stroud's Shambles Market has been a real treat – it's such a supportive community of makers.

Thank you so much for all your encouragement and support – it keeps me motivated and excited for what's to come.



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## Coming Up...

Here's a look at what's happening over the next few months. I'd love to see you at an event!

- Hawkesbury Show Saturday 30th August Come and find my stall, full of handmade ceramics.
- Stroud Shambles Market Friday 5th & Saturday 6th September I'll be back with fresh stock from the studio.
- \*\* Hand-Building Social Pottery Club 8 Weeks

  Starts Thursday 11th September, 6.30pm–9pm at Hillesley Baptist Hall.

  A friendly evening club where we'll explore different clay techniques.
- Monthly Taster Class
   First Sunday of every month, 10.30am-1pm.
   Try your hand at pinch pots and slab building in a relaxed morning session.
- Halloween Pottery Painting Evening Wednesday 15th October, 6.30pm-9pm. Get spooky with pottery painting!
- A Christmas Handbuilding Workshop Wednesday 19th November, 6.30pm-9pm. Make festive gifts and decorations.
- A cosy, creative night of festive pottery painting.

Here's to another month of creativity, clay, and community!

Thank you all again for your wonderful support – I couldn't do this without you.

Warm wishes, Cindy The Hillesley Potter

