



Hillside Junior School Weekly Bulletin



Friday 10th September 2021

Message from The Headteacher

Respect was the theme of our assembly this week. Give respect to earn respect. Treat people how you would like to be treated. These were the key messages. So many of the children have taken this on board. Throughout the year, assemblies will reinforce the school's core values and the importance of living the values not just seeing them as words.

Thank you for your co-operation with the before and after school arrangements. The school doors will open at 8.45am. Please be aware that the playground will only be supervised from 8.40am.

I want to finish with some positivity amongst a lot of negative news recently. The children have returned from the summer break with such enthusiasm. It was wonderful to hear singing assembly this week for the first time in nearly 18 months. We also look forward to welcoming back as many parents next week for the "Meet the Teacher" meetings.

I would like to wish everyone a safe and restful weekend.

Mr. Davies

HCL Supplier Disruption

HCL, our hot lunch provider informed us of the following this week.



As has been reported in the National Press, the UK is experiencing significant supply chain disruption due to a combination of factors leading to an overall shortage of qualified drivers within the UK logistics sector. This may result in short notice menu alterations or substitutions being required where standard products are not

available. In some cases, meals that are provided may differ from those that have been pre-ordered. We appreciate the disruption this may cause, however supply issues are currently arising (and sometimes resolving) at short notice, which means that it is not possible to formally change the menus in advance. Our priority at this time is to ensure that your child is provided with a healthy, safe, and nutritious meal – and our highly trained cooks will continue to closely manage the menus of children with special dietary requirements to ensure

Hillside Curriculum Overview

Our curriculum overview for 2021-2022 is available on the school website. Please click [here](#) to view. This document shows what topics your children will investigate this academic year.

Covid-19

As you are aware, many Government restrictions have now been removed. We will continue to ensure the following points are adhered to in order to maintain a safe environment at school:

- Regular hand washing
- Well ventilated classrooms
- Regular and thorough cleaning of premises and equipment
- Follow NHS Guidelines as necessary

Only children who have tested positive need to isolate, there are no recommendations for children to isolate if they have been in contact with someone who has tested positive. This is also the case for a member of the same household. Schools are not required to view evidence of positive or negative tests. However, please continue to communicate any positive cases with us.

Further government guidance can be found here <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/actions-for-schools-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak/schools-covid-19-operational-guidance#tracing>

'Meet the Teacher' Meetings

Meet the Teacher Meetings' will be held as follows:

Year 3 - Friday 17th September - 2.45pm

Year 4 - Thursday 16th September—2.45pm

Year 5 - Tuesday 14th September—2.45pm

Year 6 - Wednesday 15th September—2.45pm

The meetings will take place in the hall and will consist of a short presentation to inform parents of various aspects of school life in your child's year group.

Free School Meals

The school gets extra money from the Government for every eligible pupil who is registered for free school meals. This extra money could make a real difference to the quality of education we can offer. To check if your child is eligible, please complete this [form](#) (also available from the school office) and return to the school as soon as possible.

Pupil Premium

Pupil premium funding from the Government is given to schools to help pupils reach their full potential, regardless of their background or financial situation. It's provided for pupils who are:

- Registered for free school meals
- Have been registered for free school meals at a point in the past 6 years
- Are, or have been, in care
- Have parents in the armed forces

Please inform the school office if any of the above apply to you. Thank you.

School Library

Our school library will be open every Wednesday after school from 3.30pm-4pm, where children can borrow and return books with their parents and carers. We look forward to seeing you.



Uniform & PE Kits

Thank you for sending your children to school looking so smart. Please ensure that all clothing brought to school is clearly named to enable us to return it to your child. Trainers are not allowed to be worn instead of school shoes. Please see our uniform code below.

- White Shirt (not polo shirts)
- School tie (red/grey)
- Red sweatshirt or cardigan with logo
- Grey or black trousers, trouser shorts, pinafore or skirt
- Black leather type shoes (**NOT** trainers)
- In summer a red gingham dress may be worn

Children should wear their PE kits to school on PE days. Leggings are not permitted unless under red PE shorts for religious reasons.

PE KIT

- Red sports shorts (not Bermuda or cycling shorts)
- White t-shirt with school logo
- A plain black tracksuit (no logos) can be worn for PE when the weather is cold)
- Trainers
- P.E. Kits should be in a clearly named bag

Hair must be of natural colour (e.g. not dyed or extreme styling) and tied back at all times once it reaches shoulder length. Nail varnish must also be removed.

Religious Headwear—Pupils who wish to wear religious headgear are welcome to do so, provided the fabric is plain and in school colours of red, grey or black.

Jewellery should not be worn to school, with the exception of small plain gold/silver studs for pierced ears. These must be removed by the child for all P.E /games lessons, unless newly pierced, when they must be completely taped over by the pupil.

Valuables - Pupils are **not** permitted to bring valuables to school.

Mobile Phones - Year 6 pupils **ONLY** may bring mobile phones to school if they walk home unaccompanied. However, written consent must be given by parents. Phones must be switched off and given to the class teacher at the start of the school day and collected at the end of the day. The school cannot take responsibility for any phones not handed in to the office.

We monitor school uniform very closely. If your child is not wearing the correct uniform, parents will be contacted via email. If your child continues to wear incorrect uniform, an appointment will be arranged for you to meet with the Headteacher to discuss the matter. Parents' co-operation in the wearing the correct school uniform is greatly appreciated. Please do not hesitate to contact the school if you have any difficulties regarding school uniform.



HILLSIDE INFANT SCHOOL OPEN DAYS

THURSDAY 30th SEPTEMBER
TUESDAY 19th OCTOBER
MONDAY 22nd OCTOBER
9.30am-11.00am

Our Open Day will include:

- A tour of the school
- A talk from our Headteacher - Rebecca Fennell

Contact our office for more information or to book your place

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