



Hillside Junior School Weekly Bulletin



Friday 24th September 2021

Message from The Headteacher

"Do not judge me by my success, judge me by how many times I fell down and got back up again."

The words of Nelson Mandela are a reflection of the values we are trying to develop with the children. As I walked around the school this week, I was so impressed by the wonderful enthusiasm and fantastic attitude to learning displayed by so many children.

Whilst we continue to prioritise physical and mental well-being, there is so much resilience being demonstrated in lessons and on the playground. Key to our further success is the link between home and school. Continued support with homework and reinforcement of school values at home has a big impact. Thank you. In order to strengthen this relationship between home and school, I would like to establish a half-termly parental consultation group. This will be an opportunity for the school to discuss with parents ideas for the future but also take on board any concerns/ideas. More details will be emailed shortly.

Have a good weekend.
Mr.Davies

School Council

Our School Council elections took place last week. All pupils voted. Please see below the names of the children elected for this academic year.



Year 3 3K - Aimee 3O - Aarav	Year 4 4J - Selina 4S - Archie
Year 5 5R - Nirav 5S - Myna	Year 6 6JO - Ivy-Jane 6ST - Kye

What does a school council do? A school council is a formal group of pupils who act as representatives of their classmates in discussing school issues with the Headteacher and staff. They often help in assemblies and play a significant role in school fund-raising activities. They are the Pupil Voice for our school. **Well done and congratulations!**

Year 6 Buddies

To become a Buddy pupils in Year 6 have to submit an application to Mr Johns, stating their qualities and why they think they would be suitable for this role. The aim of the scheme is to encourage children to be good role models and it plays an important part in creating a safe, friendly, happy and peaceful atmosphere for children during break and lunch times. It also gives Year 6 pupils some responsibility. Not only do they help to make the playground a happy place for all children, they also offer great help to the staff on duty, too. **Congratulations to the following children who are our Year 6 Buddies for this academic year!**

6ST Madison T Kye Cearney Tatiana Akida Leandra Maybelline Madison C Sadia Rodrigo Diviny Ayren	6JO Victoria Paige Ana-Luisa Jasmine Zahra Ingrid Sienna Ana Ivy-Jane Brianna Yi Jun Diana
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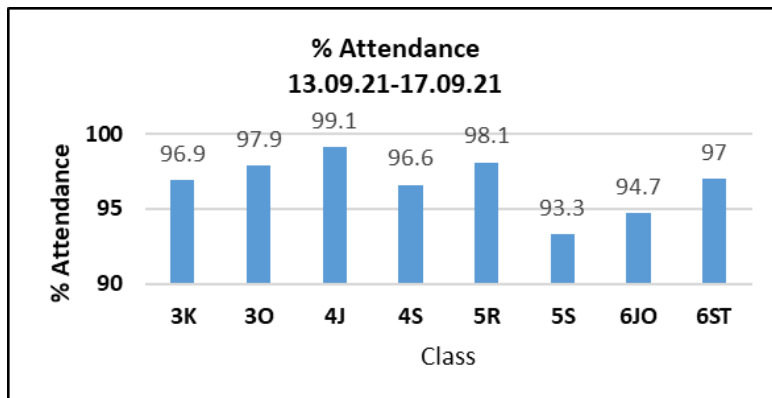
The BIG Question



Next week's BIG Question is: Is it worse to fail at something or never attempt it in the first place? Please spend time thinking about and discussing the 'BIG Question' with your children at home and be ready with your responses. The next video and Google Jamboard will be ready for you to engage with on Monday 27th September.

Attendance

Regular attendance at school is an important part of giving your child the best possible start in life. Our attendance target for all pupils at Hillside is 96% or above. Therefore, weekly class attendance figures will be displayed in the newsletter. If a class achieves 100% attendance, they will be awarded a non-uniform day the following week.



ATTENDANCE AWARD



WELL DONE 4J!

4J were last week's winners with 99.1% attendance!

They enjoyed 10 minutes extra play!

Achievements

Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Eden	Raisa	Miriam	Cearney
Bianca	Keira N	Seyi	Alfie
Lucas	Georgie	Matei	Kye
Aarav	Daniel	Alfie-Jay	Bradley
Sudaba	Mazen	Sam	Victoria
Giorgia	Mafalda	Mohamed	Harry
Indiana	Maria	Abigail	Ezra
Sumaya	Hugo	Lucas	Reyon
Casey	Yagiz	Raha	Arthur
Noor	Duarte	Maria Luiza	Sienna
Mara			Moses
(6Rs Certificate)			

Class Achievements
Team Point Winners Maxwell
Walk To School 3O
Healthy Eating 6JO

Times Table Awards

Bronze	Earth	Silver	Moon	Gold	Sun
Baryal Marwa Oliver B Yasmin Erika		Renarya			
Platinum					

Parent Governor Vacancy

We currently have a vacancy on the Governing Body for a Parent Governor. If you, or someone you know would be interested, or would like to observe a meeting, please contact Mr Davies for further information.

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.