



Hillside Junior School

Weekly Bulletin

Week 16 – 11th January 2019

Welcome Back

Welcome back to the Spring Term and our brand new school. We are very excited and proud of how quickly the children have settled into their new surroundings. Once we take full possession of the entire school in February/March we will organise tours for parents. All staff are working very hard to accommodate everyone during this transitional period and we appreciate your patience.

IXL Club

IXL Club will only be available to selected Year 6 pupils until we take full possession of the new building. If your child is in Year 6 and has been selected to attend, you will receive an email today. IXL starts promptly at 8am and children should report to the School Office, please ensure your child is on time, as latecomers will not be able to attend. For Years 3-5 we plan to start after half term.

Homework Club

Cookie Club will now be known as 'Homework Club'. Children can attend to complete homework from 3.20pm—4pm on the following days:

3J: Wednesday

3JO: Thursday

Year 4: Friday

Year 5: Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday

Year 6: Monday—Friday

Parents should wait for their child on the playground, where they will be dismissed by a member of staff.

Start/End of Day Arrangements

In order to ease congestions at the start and end of the school day, please use the left hand side of the ramp and gate. Children are used to using the left hand side as this is the approach we have adopted in school. Thank you for your co-operation.

Trips

Year 4 are looking forward to their trip to The British Museum on Monday 14th January. Please ensure they wear weather appropriate clothing as the weather is so changeable at the moment. Thank you.

After School Clubs

All clubs resume next week, except Gym Club which starts on 22nd January. Club forms have been emailed to parents and places will be offered on a 'first come first serve basis'. Parents should wait for their child on the playground, where they will be dismissed by a member of staff.

Year 5 Swimming

Swimming for Year 5 resumes on **Friday 18th January**. Information regarding payment will be emailed to parents next week. Thank you.

School Uniform

At Hillside we feel the wearing of school uniform identifies the children as the focal point of the school community. We are proud of our new school and we would like children to take pride in their appearance. The school colours are red, grey/black and white, please ensure your child wears black shoes to school. School uniform can be purchased from our online supplier Different Class School Wear by following the link <http://www.differentclassschoolwear.co.uk>

PE

PE will continue to take place outside during the Winter months, weather permitting. Children may wear a black or navy blue tracksuit over their PE kit. Please ensure all items are clearly labelled with your child's name. **Please ensure PE kits are brought into school every Monday and remain in school until Friday, so they are available at all times.**

Curriculum Overviews

Curriculum overviews for each year group have been emailed to parents today. Please speak to your child's teacher if you have any questions.

Communication

Please keep the school informed of any changes to telephone numbers and email addresses. It is important that the school can make contact in an emergency, and also so that we can keep you informed, as all information is sent electronically.

Spare Uniform Request

Please could you donate any spare or unwanted boys and socks and girls tights for our spare uniform supply. Thank you.

Healthy Snacks & Water Bottles

All children in the Junior School are encouraged to bring a piece of fruit or healthy cereal bar to school each day to eat during morning break. Alternatively, healthy snack bars can be purchased from our tuck shop at morning break at a cost of 20p – 40p which resumes on Monday 14th January. Crisps are discouraged in packed lunches except on Fridays and children are not expected to have chocolate bars, fizzy or energy drinks. **Please ensure your child brings a refillable water bottle to school every day to keep them hydrated.**

Diary Dates

January:

Mon 14th Jan—Year 4 Trip to The British Museum

Mon 14th Jan—Clubs start this week

Fri 18th Jan – Year 5 swimming starts

Wed 23rd Jan—Year 3 Trip to Fairfield Church

Thurs 24th Jan—Year 3 Trip to Synagogue

February:

Mon 4th Feb—Year 5 Trip to The Science Museum

Tues 5th Feb—Year 6 Trip to The Bank of England

Tues 12th Feb—Year 5 Project Exhibition—9.15am

Mon 18th Feb—Fri 22nd Feb— HALF TERM

Mon 25th Feb – STAFF TRAINING DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED

PTA Events 2019

Please see below all the events arranged by the PTA for this academic year. Further details will be sent in due course.

14th February – Non-uniform Valentine's Day

15th March – Red Nose Day

29th March – Surprise Room for Mother's Day

4th April – Easter Fair/Cake Stall and Raffle

23rd May – Non-uniform Crazy Hair Day

14th June – Surprise Room for Father's Day

12th July – Non-uniform Day

12th July – Mini Summer Fair

22nd July – Year 6 Leavers' BBQ