



Hillside Junior School

Weekly Bulletin

Week 3 – 18th September 2020

Message from Mr Davies

Maya Angelou once said, “We all should know that diversity makes for a rich **tapestry**, and we must understand that all the threads of the **tapestry** are equal in value no matter what their colour.”

Since we returned for the autumn term, our theme in the class assemblies has been inspirational individuals. This is part of our whole school focus on diversity. The children have learnt about Rosa Parks and Stephen Wiltshire who have inspired many for different reasons. Throughout the term we will continue to celebrate different individuals who have made a difference.

Whilst there is an obvious focus on Covid-19 and the challenges with the testing system, we are continuing to provide as much “normality” as possible to our school day. The wearing of PE kits to school has been a big success, once again thank you for your support with this approach.

Over the next week there will be an opportunity to “meet the teachers” via Zoom. Whilst this is no replacement for the reality of visiting the school and meeting face to face, it will allow the teachers to give an overview of the year group and also answer any generic questions. There will be an opportunity to answer more specific questions relating to your children when we hold the parental telephone consultations in October.

Have a safe and restful weekend.

Team Leaders

Congratulations to the following pupils who have been elected Team Leaders for this academic year.

TEAM LEADERS	
CAREW Benjy 6ST Isabelle 6ST	HALLOWELL Dylan 6JO Beatriz 6JO
MAXWELL Sammy 6ST Yannis 6ST	MURRAY Panash 6ST Hollie 6ST

Meet the Teacher Meetings

‘Meet the Teacher Meetings’ will be held via Zoom on the following days:

Year 3— Friday 25th September—1.30pm

Year 4—Monday 21st September—1.30pm

Year 5—Tuesday 22nd September—1.30pm

Year 6—Wednesday 30th September—1.30pm

All meeting links were sent to parents on Wednesday.

Please contact the school office if you did not receive an email.

School Office

Parents are only allowed to enter the school grounds for collection of a sick or injured child. Please contact the school office by either telephone or email 01923 825 991 / office@hillsidejunior.org for all other enquiries.

Face Masks

Parents and visitors entering the school grounds are required to wear a face mask. We would request that parents observe the social distancing rules when dropping and collecting children from the school at the beginning and end of the school day. To minimise the risk of transmission and keep our community safe we would recommend the wearing of masks by parents during this time also. Thank you.

PE Days

Children must wear their PE kits and trainers to school on PE days.

Year 3 Thursday & Friday

Year 4 Monday

Year 5 Tuesday

Year 6 Wednesday



Philosophy Discussions

Each week we will post a philosophy question in the weekly Bulletin and on the school website to talk about with your child and for them to then contribute to class philosophy lessons. Philosophy is all about encouraging young people to think. By motivating children to look at the world from different points of views we hope to develop inquisitive minds who are keen to engage in discussions and listen to each other. Philosophy is about learning how to be logical, present arguments, spot bad ones and respect different opinions.



Philosophy Question — 18.09.2020

Question: Who decides what is normal?

Quote: "If you're always trying to be normal you will never know how amazing you can be."

Maya Angelou

First Day of Illness

If your child is unwell, please contact the school by 8.30am on the first day of absence, either by phone on 01923 825991 or email to office@hillsidejunior.org

Medication

We can only administer medication prescribed by a doctor. If your child is required to take medicine during the school day, please complete the permission form available on the school website www.hillsidejunior.org/page/welfare-attendance/22832 and send the medication to school with your child and their teacher will pass it on to our Welfare Officer.

Music lessons

for budding young learners

Hillingdon Music Hub gives children approaching Year 4 and above the chance to embrace music with subsidised lessons.

Lessons may start online through Zoom or face to face, dependant on current guidance.

- Children who learn in Hillingdon schools or live in the borough are eligible
- Discounts available for parents on low incomes
- Sign up anytime through the year
- Extensive range of instruments available

For more information and to apply visit www.hillingdon.gov.uk/startmusic

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Secondary Transfer 2021

If your child is currently in Year 6, information regarding secondary school transfer in 2021 can be found on the Hillingdon website <https://archive.hillingdon.gov.uk/secondary>

Diary Dates for September

September:

Mon 21st Sep— Yr4 Meet the Teacher Meeting— 1.30pm via Zoom
 Tues 22nd Sep —Yr 5 Meet the Teacher Meeting— 1.30pm via Zoom
 Tues 22nd Sep—Yr3 Practical Pedestrian Training
 Fri 25th Sep - Yr3 Meet the Teacher Meeting—1.30pm via Zoom
 Wed 30th Sep—Yr6 Meet the Teacher Meeting— 2.45pm via Zoom