



Hillside Junior School

Weekly Bulletin

Week 5 – 2nd October 2020

Message from Mr Davies

This week has certainly been challenging, having sent our Year 3 bubble home. I appreciate all the support from parents, especially having to adapt to home learning again.

In our assemblies this week, we have discussed the importance of healthy eating. In all classes the children have been engaged and have been very keen to tell me about the amount of fruit and vegetables they eat. Some children have even set themselves a target to eat more fruit – long may it continue.

Have a good weekend.

Best wishes.
Mr Davies

Guidance for Parents

The Department of Education has translated their guidance for parents and carers on [‘What parents and carers need to know about early years providers, schools and colleges during the coronavirus \(COVID-19\) outbreak’](#). The guidance is available in the following languages:

[Arabic](#)

[French](#)

[Punjabi](#)

[Urdu](#)

[Bengali](#)

[Gujarati](#)

[Romany](#)

[Chinese—traditional](#)

[Polish](#)

[Somali](#)

[Chinese—simplified](#)

[Portuguese](#)

[Turkish](#)

Parents’ Evening

Parents’ Evening will be slightly different this year due to the pandemic. Class teachers will contact parents by telephone. Each parent will be emailed their appointment time today. **If you do not receive an email, please contact the school office.**

Curriculum Overviews

To view the Curriculum Overviews for each year group please click [here](#). Please speak to your child’s teacher if you have any questions.

Parent Governor Vacancy

We currently have a Parent Governor vacancy. If you, or someone you know would be interested please contact Mr Davies for further information.

Parking

Local residents have expressed concerns about illegal and unsafe parking on roads surrounding the school. Please consider the safety of pupils and local residents when dropping and collecting your children from school. Please do not block drive-ways, double park or stop on the zebra crossing to allow children to jump out. Thank you for your support in this matter. Please help us keep your children safe. by following our requests.

Home Learning Policy

Our [Home Learning Policy](#) aims to ensure that parents are clear about what home learning involves and what is expected of their child to ensure consistency across the school. You can download our Home Learning Policy by clicking the link above.



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 — 02.10.2020

Question: Is everything connected?

Quote: "When we die our bodies become the grass, and the antelopes eat the grass. So we are all connected."

The Lion King

Library Books

Please would you check at home and return all school library books by **Monday 5th October**.

Risk Assessment

Please click [here](#) to view our Risk Assessment for the management of Coronavirus at Hillside Junior School. The Senior Leadership Team review the Risk Assessment on a weekly basis.

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.

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

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

Diary Dates for October

October:

Fri 23rd October—Staff Training Day—School Closed
Mon 26th Oct—Fri 30th October—**HALF TERM**