



Hillside Junior School Weekly Bulletin

Week 6 – 9th October 2020

Message from Mr. Davies

“The only thing we can do is play on the one string we have, and that is our attitude... I am convinced that life is 10% what happens to me and 90% how I react to it. And so it is with you...we are in charge of our attitudes.” — Charles Swindoll

In our class assemblies this week, we took inspiration from the achievements of Dame Evelyn Glennie. She has overcome many challenges to become a very successful and accomplished musician, famously playing at the London 2012 opening ceremony. With the children we discussed our school's core values especially resilience and how we react to difficult situations. These values have never been more important as we live in uncertain times. Once again the attitude of the children in these assemblies has been fantastic. As we end the week, it has been wonderful to welcome back Year 3. The building has certainly been quieter. I would like to thank the Year 3 parents for all your support with the home learning.

Best wishes.
Mr. Davies

Parent Governor Vacancy

We currently have a Parent Governor vacancy on the Governing Body. We would like to hear from you if you have experience in any of the following areas:

- Education
- HR
- Legal
- Building Project Oversight or Development
- Looked After or SEND children
- Finance

However, you **DO NOT** have to have a professional background, more importantly you need to have enthusiasm and a desire to support your child and their school, to be the very best they can be.

Think you do not know anything about education? That does not matter, all you need is a willingness to learn. If you, or someone you know would like to be considered as a Parent Governor, please contact Mr Davies for an informal, no obligation chat.

Years 4 & 5

Children in Years 4 and 5 may bring a change of shoes/boots to change into at the end of the school day, as the field is getting very muddy due to all the rain we have had. Please ensure shoes are in a named carrier bag. Thank you.

Lunchtime Help

We are looking for casual SMSA's who would be willing to work at lunchtimes to supervise the children, as and when required. Please speak to Mrs Sweeney in the school office if you are able to help. Thank you.

PE Kits

As you are aware children should wear their PE kits to school on PE days. As the weather gets colder children can wear plain navy blue or black tracksuit bottoms (no logos) and a plain navy blue or black sweatshirt (no logos). **Leggings or any other colour tracksuits are NOT permitted.** Outdoors coats must still be worn on PE days.

Year 3 Thursday & Friday

Year 4 Monday

Year 5 Tuesday

Year 6 Wednesday



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.

Parking

Please consider the safety of pupils and local residents when dropping and collecting your children from school. Please do not block driveways, 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.

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. If you need to contact the office please either telephone or email 01923 825 991 / office@hillsidejunior.org Thank you.

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 —

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Question: Why do we dream?

Quote: "I dream my painting and I paint my dream".

Vincent van Gogh

Diary Dates for October

October:

Fri 23rd October—Staff Training Day—School Closed

Mon 26th Oct— Fri 30th October—HALF TERM