



# Hillside Junior School

## Weekly Bulletin

Week 12 – 27th November 2020

### Message from Mr. Davies

***"Everybody has talent, but ability takes hard work." – Michael Jordan***

In our assemblies this week, we have carried on the theme of anti-bullying. We looked at the example of Quinn, a five year old girl who uses a wheelchair. Unfortunately, when she was younger an adult verbally abused her whilst she was on the way to school in her wheelchair. This had a huge impact on her self-esteem. Consequently, some well-known personalities made a video to support her. Aspiration was key and Hannah Cockroft, gold medallist Paralympian, spoke about the challenges she had personally overcome. The response from the children was very reflective and insightful. Goals and aspirations are something we very much promote and through our 6Rs we aim to support the children on this "journey".

**In the words of Michael Jordan, hard work is key.**

I wish everyone a safe and restful weekend.

Mr. Davies



### Timings of the School Day

A number of children are arriving late to school everyday. Timings of the school day are below and we expect your child to be in class at those times. Your child will receive a late mark if they are not in class at 8.40am or 8.50am respectively. Please note the school gates are opened 5 minutes before the start of school for both the upper and lower school.

**Upper School (Years 5 & 6) 8.40am—3.10pm**

**Lower School: (Years 3 & 4) 8.50 am—3.20pm**

If your child arrives after 9.15am they may receive a mark that shows them to be on site, but will not count as a present mark and it will mean they have an unauthorised absence. This may mean that you could face the possibility of a Penalty Notice if the problem persists. The table below shows how lateness can add up over a school year.

<b>Getting your child to school on time really matters</b>		
<b>If in a school year your child is late everyday.....</b>	<b>Your child would have lost approximately.....</b>	<b>Or they would have missed approximately.....</b>
<b>5 Minutes</b>	<b>3 days from school</b>	<b>16 Lessons</b>
<b>10 Minutes</b>	<b>5 days from school</b>	<b>32 Lessons</b>
<b>15 Minutes</b>	<b>8 days from school</b>	<b>48 Lessons</b>
<b>20 Minutes</b>	<b>11 days from school</b>	<b>63 Lessons</b>
<b>25 Minutes</b>	<b>16 days from school</b>	<b>95 Lessons</b>


### Parking



Local residents have again expressed concerns about illegal and unsafe parking outside school. **PLEASE DO NOT** block driveways, double park or stop on the zebra crossing to allow children to jump out. Northwood Way by the width restriction is a major concern at the moment. Therefore, we request that parents no longer park in and around this area, because this is adding to the already high volume of traffic. If this request is not adhered it may lead to the council enforcing stricter parking rules around the school and this would not benefit anyone. Thank you for your support.

## Hillingdon Talks: Hillingdon Paediatric Speech and Language Therapy



 Please visit the Hillingdon Speech and Language Therapy website – just search for “Hillingdon Talks” or visit [www.cnwl.nhs.uk/hillingdon-talks-moves-plays](http://www.cnwl.nhs.uk/hillingdon-talks-moves-plays) for information about the service. There are lots of strategies and resources, as well as links to other useful websites and local support groups for parents, nurseries and schools.

*Did you know we're also on social media with regular hints and tips to support your child's communication?*



Have you been following and liking us on Facebook? – search for “Hillingdon Talks”



We're also now on Instagram alongside our Occupational Therapy and Physiotherapy colleagues – search for “Hillingdon Talks” to find the ‘hillington\_talksmovesplays’ page

### Philosophy Discussions

Each week we will post a philosophy question in the ‘Weekly Bulletin’ 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 our own arguments, critically analyse the point of view of others, while respecting different opinions.



#### Philosophy Question 27.11.2020

**Question:** What's the difference between grown ups and children?

**Quote:** “All grown ups were children first, but few remember it.”

*- The Little Prince*

### New Welfare Telephone Number

Starting from Monday 9th November if you are reporting your child's absence or need to speak to Mrs Brereton in Welfare, please use the following telephone number: **07840 429 079**. Thank you.

### Diary Dates:

#### December

Mon 7th Dec: Surprise Room Gifts to be brought to school/Payment required via School Spider

Wed 9th Dec: Christmas Jumper Day

Wed 9th Dec: The Pantry Christmas Lunch

Fri 11th Dec: Surprise Room

Fri 18th Dec: End of Term 1.30pm

#### January 2021

Mon 4th Jan: Staff Training Day

Tuesday 5th Jan: School Starts