



Hillside Junior School Newsletter

Friday 19th April



Message from the Head teacher

Welcome back. I hope everyone had a good Easter break.

We are looking forward to a very exciting summer term with lots of different enrichment activities planned.

This week in assembly we talked about the importance of resilience, and the story of Harry Kane was used to inspire the children. As the SATS approach, resilience is particularly important for the Year 6 children. They have worked incredibly hard and are in the process of completing their Golden Ticket work. We wish them every success.

Parental and carer feedback is so important in helping to drive school improvement. Once again thank you to everyone who has completed the parent/carer questionnaire. If there is an issue that you have felt that the school did not address properly, please take the opportunity to arrange a meeting with myself or another member of the senior leadership team. We are constantly striving to improve and 'be the best that we can be'.

Have a good weekend,

Mr.Davies

Diary Dates

Monday 22nd April – Clubs start this week

Tuesday 23rd April – Author visit (M G Leonard)

Thursday 25th April – 3S trip the Heath Robinson Museum

Friday 26th April – Year 5 Residential information evening 3.30pm

Wednesday 1st May – Science Exhibition 3.30pm – 4.00pm

Thursday 2nd May – 3K trip to the Heath Robinson Museum

Monday 6th May – May Day Holiday (**SCHOOL CLOSED**)

Science Exhibition

We would like to invite you to a science exhibition in our school hall on **Wednesday 1st May 2024**, from 3:30pm to 4pm. On display will be all of the entries to our recent Science Week Poster competition, as well as an interactive display from each year group related to a topic they have studied so far this year. A few selected children will be there to represent the year group, explain and demonstrate what they have been learning about, so feel free to ask them any questions! We are very excited to show you a small snapshot of our exciting science curriculum and look forward to seeing you there.

School Lunch/ School Grid

To book school lunches for your child, click on HCL's booking portal, [School Grid](#). If your child has **specific allergies**, please inform 'HCL' as soon as possible, using the following link <https://specialmenu.hcl.co.uk/> Please download the '[School Grid Parent Leaflet](#)' on our school website for all account and booking information. For all other booking information queries, please telephone School Grid on 01506 300 310.

Clubs

Please see below the list of clubs running for the summer term, please speak with Ms Evans in the office if you need any help.

PSD Multi-sports Club – Please book directly with [PSD](#)

PSD Football Club – Please book directly with [PSD](#)

PSD Dodgeball Club – Please book directly with [PSD](#)

Guitar – Please contact the Rock & Pop Foundation on 01252 368330 – www.rockandpopfoundation.com

Drama Club – I Got Soul – Please contact I Got Soul directly on 07791 466 859/ info@igotsoulofficial.com

K-Kwon-Do (Martial Arts) – please contact Bushra Khosla (Instructor) at bushrakhosla@yahoo.co.uk

Portuguese Classes – Please contact The Portuguese Embassy on 0207 235 8811 - www.e-portugues.co.uk

Spanish Club - Please book directly with Speak Like A Native - www.speaklikeanative.com/book-now

Rock Steady Music School – Please book directly with Rock Steady - <https://www.rocksteadymusicschool.com/>

Piano Lessons- Please contact Matthew Deane at matthewdeane7@gmail.com

Dance Club - Please book via the '[School Gateway App](#)'

Art Club – Please book directly with artboxworkshop.bookwhen.com

Parent Reading Volunteers

Once again, we are asking for parent (or grandparent) reading volunteers to help us to support children's reading. **Could you spare 10 minutes in the morning? We will give you any training you need.** If you are able to spare some time, please let the school office know

PTA (Parent Teacher Association)

Your support is needed! Any offers of help are very much appreciated. Money raised makes a huge difference in helping to fund projects such as new library books and iPads.

Please join the PTA WhatsApp group by following the link below or scanning the QR code:

<https://chat.whatsapp.com/ISajJUpiqzVFB9EJYz4NTk>



Hillside Curriculum Overview

Our curriculum overview for 2023-2024 is available on the school website. Please click [here](#) to view. This document shows the topics your children will investigate this academic year.

Communication

All school related communication (newsletters, parents' evening bookings and payments) is made using the School Gateway App. Please follow the steps below to download the app.

Apple iPhone users, click on the icon to download the app.

Android phone users, click on the icon to download the app.

Creating an account is simple and only takes a few minutes:

1. **Register** using the same email address and mobile number held by the school
2. **Four-digit PIN**. School Gateway will send you a text with your PIN
3. **Login**, you are ready to go

If you change your email address or mobile number, please let us know so we can update our records. If you have any questions, or would like more information, please visit the [School Gateway](#) site. If you do not have a smart