

# Hillside Junior School Newsletter



Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June 2024

## Message from the Head teacher

It has been a fabulous week with the children enjoying a range of sports. Thank you to Mr. Johns for organising the different activities. The children have participated in archery, boxing and golf. Being active is one of the key elements of the "5 steps to well-being" which is an initiative we promote across the school. We look forward to welcoming parents to the sports day at St. Johns on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July.

The end of term is always very busy and there are more enrichment activities planned which include an art week and music day. All these events help to celebrate the wider curriculum at Hillside Junior; it is something we are very proud of.

Finally, summer seems to have arrived and it is imperative that the children have a water bottle in school. Hats are also encouraged.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mr. Davies

## **Diary Dates**

Monday 24th - Wednesday 26th June - Year 6 Residential Trip

- Monday 24<sup>th</sup> Police presentation for parents
- Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> June Writing Invention Dress up Day
- Friday 28th June PTA Non-Uniform Day Please bring a donation for the Summer Fair
- Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July Hillingdon Transition Day
- Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> July Sports Day at St John's
- Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July Summer fair
- Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> July Year 6 trip to Harrow climbing wall
- Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> July Year 2 to 3 Transition meeting
- Monday 15<sup>th</sup> July Year 4 trip to Ruislip Lido
- Monday 15<sup>th</sup> July Transition information for year 4 & 5 parents (3.30pm)
- Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> July **6ST** Day time performance **6JO** Evening performance
- Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> July Hertfordshire Transition Day
- Wednesday 17th July Year 3 trip to Ruislip Lido
- Thursday 18th July 6JO Day time performance 6ST Evening performance

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July – Year 5 trip to Ruislip Lido

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July – Year 6 trip to Ruislip Lido

Friday 19th July – CLUBS FINISH

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July – Year 6 Leavers picnic, presentation and disco

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July – School finishes at 1.30pm (No after school club)

## Writing Invention Day

In order to celebrate progress and creativity in writing, we will be holding a writing invention day on 28th June. The theme will be 'Heroes and Villains' and we will be writing poetry in a variety of styles, based on a character, invented by the children themselves. We would like the children to come dressed as their chosen character on 28th June as inspiration for their poetry. This could mean a full costume or just certain accessories which exemplify their characters powers, needs or desires. Please encourage your children to think creatively about their costume and to use materials available to them at home, to help keep costs to a minimum. If your child decides to come as a hero, ask them to think about what their powers might be and how they can show that through their costume ideas. If your child would like to be a villain, please ensure that their choices are appropriate for school and not based on 'horror' but more on evil geniuses, for example. No fake blood etc. should be used.

## **Parking**

Polite reminder - **PLEASE DO NOT** block driveways, park on yellow lines, double park or stop on the zebra crossing to allow children to jump out. Please park considerably.

#### School Lunch/ School Grid

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

#### <u>Clubs</u>

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

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

## **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 <u>School Gateway</u> site. If you do not have a smart

### **Hillside Curriculum Overview**

Our curriculum overview for 2023-2024 is available on the school website. Please click <u>here</u> to view. This document shows the topics your children will investigate this academic year.

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



