



Hillside Junior School Newsletter

Friday 18th October 2024



Message from the Head teacher

PANTS has been the key message of our PSHE lessons this week. Created by the NSPCC, PANTS help children understand that they have a right to say no and if they need to speak out about something, someone will listen. A culture of safeguarding in which children have a crucial voice is an essential part of our school life.

On Thursday, we had a visit from Emmanuel church who led our harvest assembly. We value these links with our local community and look forward to future collaborations.

Over this half-term in our PSHE lessons, we have been following the theme, "Being Our Best". This has been a celebration of our talents, skills and qualities. If there are any parents who would be interested in taking part in an assembly to talk about their careers and jobs, please let me know. This could be a wonderful opportunity to inspire the children about the world of work.

Have a good weekend,
Mr. Davies

Attendance (Weeks 5 - 6)

3R	3S	4M	4S	5KS	5OS	6JO	6MT
93.3%	95.2%	95.7%	98.8%	96.4%	94.7%	98.7%	98%

Congratulations to 4S, 5KS, 6JO and 6MT who were our attendance winners in weeks 4 and 5. The children will be told the winning class for this week in the next achievement assembly.

We also award the class with the least number of late marks. Congratulations to 3S, 4S and 6MT who have been winners of the HERO award.

Arrival to school

We are seeing increasing numbers of children arriving to school before 08.30am. Please be reminded that children **should not** be arriving on the school site before 08.30am. Before this time, children are unsupervised and therefore this causes a potential safeguarding risk.

If children are arriving before 08.30am, they MUST be accompanied by an adult.

Parking

Unfortunately, we are again receiving complaints from residents regarding parking on roads around the school. Please be considerate when dropping your child to school: **DO NOT** block driveways, park on yellow lines, double park or stop on the zebra crossing to allow children to jump out. Thank you for your cooperation.



Clubs

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

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

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

Aveea STEM Club - Please book directly with <https://www.aveea.org/>

Drama Club –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

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

Fence 43 - Please book directly with <https://app.outclass.io/classes/fGFpBnPQXMuXsUy9TECu>

Diary Dates

Tuesday 22nd October – Parents evening

Wednesday 23rd October – Year 3 trip to Gunnersbury Park Museum

Thursday 24th October – School photos and Parents evening

Monday 28th October – Friday 1st November – **HALF TERM**

Monday 4th November – Staff training day (**School closed to pupils**)

Tuesday 5th November – **School starts for pupils**

Uniform

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- white shirt (not polo shirts)
- school tie (red/grey)
- red sweatshirt or cardigan with school logo
- grey or black trousers, trouser shorts, pinafore or skirt
- black leather type shoes (**NOT** trainers)
- In the summer term a red gingham dress may be worn

PE KIT

- red shorts (not Bermuda or cycling shorts)
- white t-shirt with school logo
- black or white Trainers

As the weather has now started to change, please ensure children are attending school wearing weather appropriate clothing and footwear.

PE Days

Please see PE days below, children should come to school wearing their PE kits on those days.

Tuesdays – Year 4

Wednesdays – Year 6

Thursdays – Year 3

Friday Year – Year 5

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.

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

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 2024-2025 is available on the school website. Please click [here](#) to view. This document shows the topics your children will investigate this academic year.