



Dear Parents/Guardians

I hope you find this newsletter informative and beneficial. I know some families are experiencing difficulties with their post and sometimes aren't receiving the newsletter until mid-week. We will make sure it is saved on our website every Friday so if you don't receive your copy, you can access it there and check your child's Home Learning for the following week.

Last Friday was a very emotional day saying goodbye to our Year 11s. Even though they couldn't be in school for their Leavers' Breakfast we delivered breakfast to each of them at home. I was so proud of the team for doing this and I know that Year 11 really appreciated the fact that we still celebrated their last day at Hillside; even though they couldn't be in school. As I said last week, I know that all of our pupils and their families will join me in wishing the Class of 2020 good luck and every happiness as they leave us and start their next chapter.

I am delighted to let you know that following a rigorous recruitment process Mrs. Wardale has been promoted to Vice-Principal. She will work alongside me, and Mr Edwards, to lead our school in all of the new and exciting challenges which lay ahead for us. I am sure everyone will join me in wishing Mrs. Wardale good luck in this new and exciting role.

We have also appointed Mr Henesy to join our Computer Science and Business Studies department, to replace Mrs Rimmer who left us at Easter. Mr Henesy has bags of enthusiasm and can't wait to get started and I know our pupils will love him.

Keep up the good work with the Home Learning and we are really looking forward to next week when we can at last welcome some of our pupils back to school, with the return of Year 10s. I just wish it was everyone!

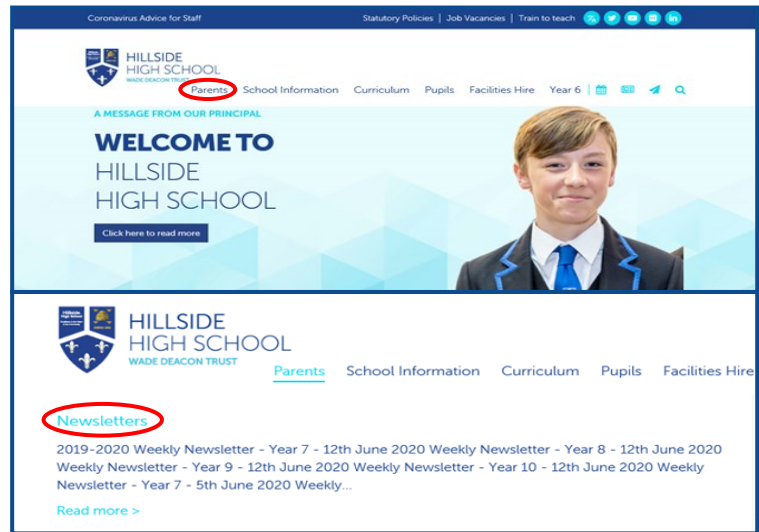
Mrs Amanda Ryan

Hello Year 9,

I hope you have all had a good week and that you and your loved ones are keeping safe. I can't believe how quickly the time is going and that we're already in the middle of June! It's over 12 weeks since we were last together... seems like such a long time ago. It has been lovely seeing some of the work you have been producing at home on the school's Twitter and Instagram pages. I have also received some emails of work that you have been doing at home, as well as some hobbies that some of you have gained, in particular baking cakes. Please keep sending me these emails (... and the cakes) as they really brighten up my day and I enjoy keeping in contact with you all. You can also send emails to your Form Tutors and teachers, I know they will be very pleased to see what you have been up to.

Due to the new Government guidelines whereby up to six people can meet up in a garden or park, with social distancing measures in place, I was able to meet up with four of my closest friends last week which was lovely. I have missed having face-to-face contact with those who I think very dearly of, so it was a wonderful evening. On another day, I met up with a few other friends to do a socially distant outdoor gym session. I decided to run the 1.5 miles to the park to meet everybody, with no jacket on as I get too hot... what a silly decision to make! Needless to say, the heavens opened and we were like drowned rats, but we carried on like troopers right until the end. Hopefully my next group gym session will be on a sunny day! I have had numerous questions asking when we are due back at school, and unfortunately, we simply don't have the answers to this. Our school, just like other schools, is waiting for guidance from the Government as to when we will be returning. I know it's difficult at the moment adjusting to a new normal, but as I have said previously, we are all in this together and we will come out the other side stronger and better than before.

I miss you all year 9, so until we can all be together again, stay safe and be kind to others. —Miss Banks



Year 9—Weekly Timetable

Subject	Year Group	This week you will be learning about ...	To help you can use...	This week you should spend a maximum time of ...
English	9	Plurals. Analysing how writers uses language to present a theme.	Pages 15-17 in your work-pack; email from Mrs Symes. An Ideal Family by Katherine Mansfield. Complete all activities from Page 15 to Page 17 in your home learning work-pack.	2 hours
Maths	9 FT 9 HT	General GCSE Skills Graphs	Hegarty Maths, Corbett Maths, BBC Daily Lessons Hegarty Maths, Corbett Maths, BBC Daily Lessons	4 hours 4 hours
Science	9	Biology - Organisation	Complete the Biology activities along with Physics and Chemistry retrieval via Seneca. Please check your emails for the class code. Continue to read through your revision booklets and make notes in your exercise book. Watch this week's BBC Bitesize science lessons and write a review for each Science. https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/bitesize-daily-schedules-teach/zdtwjhv	4 hours
Art	9	Challenge	Continue to work on your journal challenge.	2 hours
Photography	9	Found object collage	Continue to take your own photographs relating to the project and create contact sheets of your images to send to your teacher.	2 hours
Computer Science	9	Continue working on the workbook which has been emailed to you. Answer the questions and email these to your teacher.	Your teacher will email you a link.	60 mins
DT	9 9 (3D)	The key principles of Design Technology. Experimentation.	Work through the task choice sheet on the school website. Use WWW.technologystudent.com To support learning. Mini practical project. See Mr Smith's email. Using the information, images sculptures, messages and materials that you have found for your lockdown/isolation project, continue to experiment with different techniques and media recording your ideas as you go. See Mr Smith's email for further information.	2 hours 2 hours
Drama	9	Let's really focus on our performing skills this week – this dance tutorial is based on Camilo Cabello: Havana – enjoy!	https://youtu.be/CQpBfEhF9Uc Use the link to access the tutorial.	60 minutes
Geography	9	Formation of River Features	The information from Lesson 3 - Formation of River Features on pages 15-19 from the Rivers and River Management booklet. Once finished log onto Seneca and take part in the Meanders and Floodplains assignment. To join the 9H/Gg1 class type in the class code: 1dwjm8nk82	2 hours
Music	9	Steve Reich Clapping Music, watch the videos and try to perform each of the two parts. Write a biography of Steve Reich.	School Website, Use BBC KS4 Music Resources: Use the online resources to read, watch videos and complete end of topic quizzes based on the units covered so far. Concentrate on the Music Theory topics. Follow this link: https://www.derbyshiremusicclub.org.uk/get-involved/music-at-home/secondary/week-3.aspx	3 hours per week
RS	9	Ways to embed our learning from the past few weeks AND Pacifism.	One of this week's lesson is to be completed through the Oak National Academy link— https://www.thenational.academy/year-9/religion/recap-and-practise-year-9-wk5-1 The second lesson should utilise the booklet of knowledge organisers and exam questions (page 5) saved on the school website – Pupils, Learning Resources, Subject Resources, RS, Year 9. If you require a printed version, please collect one from school.	30 mins 1 hour
History	9	Britain Health and the People revision.	_Use Seneca Learning to Revise Medieval Medicine and complete all the assignments 1.1-1.5 Use notes from Seneca and Home Learning Revision Booklet to create a revision mind map or revision flashcards on Medieval Medicine.	2 hours
PE	9	Fitness – Strength, coordination, cardiovascular endurance, agility, speed, power, reaction time. Nutrition	Create your own circuit at home using the exercises and 'difficulty' levels on the attached website. You don't need any equipment and these will get your heart rate up and keep you healthy whilst you're at home! Let your PE teacher know in an email how you have got and if you would like more exercises? https://www.livestrong.com/article/115989-circuit-training-exercises-equipment/	30 mins at a time.
Dance	9	Designing costumes for your show.	The information on your project power point.	1 hour
MFL	9	Free Time	Using this link, https://www.language-gym.com/ , log on to The Language Gym and complete the vocabulary workout on free time activities. It has been set in your assignments.	1 hour