

Newsletter — Friday 3rd July 2020

Dear Parents/Guardians

I can't believe it is July already and I find myself writing another message to our fantastic pupils who are still learning from home. We miss them all so much and can't wait for September when we can welcome everyone back to school.

During the last two weeks it has been lovely to have some Year 10 pupils back, just to hear the noise of young people talking about learning and experiencing some lessons, is such a welcome sound in the school building.

As we approach the last two weeks of the school year I would ask for your support in ensuring that your child continues to engage with their Home Learning. They are receiving Monday emails from their teachers and know exactly what work they need to be completing. With last week's newsletter you will have received all of the information that you need to support your child to access Microsoft Teams. As we try to enhance our Home Learning further with recorded lessons it is important that pupils are accessing Microsoft Teams to view the lesson clips their teachers are uploading. If you experience any problems with these, please do not hesitate to contact your child's Progress Leader.

All pupils in Year 7-9 will be having a phone call from their Form Tutor or Progress Leader in the coming days to discuss how their Home Learning has gone since March. I must stress that this is totally supportive and the most important thing is that pupils are honest about how much they have engaged with their Home Learning. This information will be used to plan for September, to ensure we can offer all pupils the right support that they will need when they return to school.

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To finish I would like to say congratulations to Mrs Wardale who has been successful in her application to become an Evidence Lead in Education (ELE). Whilst based in their own school the role of an ELE is to support and contribute to the work of the Research School at Meols Cop Southport, focusing on encouraging the use of evidence to inform school improvement decisions. I am in no doubt that her appointment to this role will be hugely beneficial to Hillside and our pupils.

Mrs Amanda Ryan

Hello again Year 9,

I hope that you have all had a good week so far and that you and your families are all well. Well done to all of you that have been completing tasks that teachers have been setting for you. The work you are all producing is fantastic, I am so proud of you all.

At times, it can be difficult finding the motivation to complete work at home (I even find that myself sometimes), so after working for 30-45 minutes, make sure to give yourself a little break. During that break, you may want to read, sit in the yard/garden, clean up, speak to friends on social media or watch a television programme. All of those things give our brains a rest until we are ready to begin work again, and don't forget, for those of you who may be worrying that you are falling behind or struggling with work, don't hesitate to get in contact with your teachers, they would love to hear from you.

Last week we had some glorious sunshine, I thoroughly enjoyed it and did some exercises in my back garden, as well as catching a little tan (safely). I hope you all enjoyed it too, but always make sure that you top up on sun cream throughout the day.

And finally, on Thursday 25th June, Liverpool finally won the Premier League after a 30 year wait! I know many of you will be very pleased with that as some of you are big Liverpool supporters. It was amazing to watch certain television programmes and be constantly reminded that Liverpool had won! I celebrated at home with my family, with my Dad on the verge of tears, he couldn't contain his excitement. I hope that you all celebrated at home with those closest to you too, It's a shame that a parade can't happen at the moment due to lockdown, but I'm sure that one will happen once lockdown is over and we are back to normality... it is definitely something to look forward to.

As always, stay safe Year 9 and be kind. I am looking forward to when I can write to you again.

Miss Banks

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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	Using commas accurately. What impressions do you get of characters. Pages 22 -25. Extract from Of Mice and Men by John Steinbeck.	Pages 22-25 in your work-pack; email from Mrs Symes.	2 hours
Maths	9 FT 9 HT	General Maths Skills General Maths Skills	Hegarty Maths, Corbett Maths, BBC Daily Lessons Hegarty Maths, Corbett Maths, BBC Daily Lessons	3 hours 3 hours
Science	9	Physics - Electricity	Complete the Physics activities along with Biology 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 challenges. Make sure you have sent your work to your teacher so that they can give you feedback on what you have created so far.	2 hours
Photography	9	Editing	Continue to work on editing your selected photographs. Make sure you record your processes for reference.	2 hours
Computer Science	9	Continue working on the workbook which has been emailed to you. Answer	Your teacher will email you a link. Business Studies – Tutor 2 U website	60 mins
		the questions and email these to your teacher. You have also been emailed links to help you.	ICT—Create your cinema poster using software of your choice. Photoshop tutorials	60 mins
DT	9	The key principles of Design Technology.	Work through the task choice sheet on the school website. Use <u>WWW.technologystudent.com</u>	2 hours
	9 (3D)	Experimentation.	To support learning. Mini practical project. See Mr Smith's email. Using all of the information you have found for your lockdown/isolation project and all of your experimentation and ideas, begin your final piece. See Mr Smith's email for further information.	2 hours
Drama	9	Designing a set for your show.	The information within the power point that has been emailed to you. This can also be found in the home learning resources for drama.	60 minutes
Geography	9	Causes of Flooding and Hydrographs	The information from Lesson 5- Causes of Flooding and Hydrographs on pages from the Rivers and River Management booklet. Once finished log onto Seneca and take part in the River Management assignment. To join the 9H/Gg1 class type in the class code: 1dwjm8nk82	2 hours
Music	9	World Music & Timbre Complete the activities for each area.	School Website, https://www.bbc.co.uk Folow this link https://www.derbyshiremusichub.org.uk/get-involved/music-at-home/secondary/week-11.aspx	3 hours per week
RS	9	Islamic beliefs about angels AND the Holy Wars	One of this week's lesson is to be completed through the Oak National Academy link -https://classroom.thenational.academy/lessons/angels The second aspect should utilise the booklet of knowledge organisers and exam questions (page 7) 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
History	9	Renaissance medicine revision.	Seneca Learning at least 30 minutes Watch the loom video on Renaissance revision and complete the revision activities included in the video/ power point.	2 hours
PE	9	Fitness – Strength, coordination, cardiovascular endurance, agility, speed, power, reaction time.	Create your own circuit at home using the exercises and 'difficulty' levels on the attached website. You don't need any equipment at all 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 on and if you want more exercises to throw in as well! https://www.livestrong.com/article/115989-circuit-training-exercises-equipment/	30 mins at a time.
Dance	9	How to perform in the style of Justin Bieber to his latest song "Yummy"	Lets really focus on our performing skills this week – this dance tutorial is based on Arianna Grande – enjoy!	1 hour
MFL	9	Entertainment and Leisure: Sports and Physical activities.	Go to, https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/guides/znfkhbk/revision/1 complete revision activities on sports and physical activities.	1 hour