



## Friday 26th March 2021



'Attention Year 11 Parents/Guardians'

Please follow the link below to watch a video update about

Year 11 GCSEs & Assessment information.

https://www.loom.com/share/5244ea986933428fb511d3849360cb84

## **Dear Parents/Guardians**

I can hardly believe I am writing my last message of this term and what a term it has been!

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We returned in January expecting our pupils to return shortly after us and were devastated on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January when the Government announced another period of national lockdown and that schools were to shut.

Throughout the lockdown our staff worked tirelessly to deliver a remote offer to pupils at home and a Mini-School provision within school for pupils who needed to attend. As parents your support was amazing and as I have previously said you should feel extremely proud of everything you did to support your child throughout this challenging time.



We couldn't wait to welcome pupils back during the week starting Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March and in the last three weeks they haven't disappointed us. Their return to learning has been seamless, with pupils arriving with their 'Essential 8' and keen to learn. They have covered lots in their lessons already and we can't wait to build on this when we return after Easter.

It is important to remind parents of the procedures we need to follow if any pupil does test positive for Covid over the holidays and this information is included inside this week's newsletter.

As we break up today I would like to wish everyone a peaceful and enjoyable Easter break. Obviously next week we start to see a lifting of some of the restrictions which have unfortunately become part of our daily lives and I hope this gives you the opportunity to see family and friends, even if this is just in the park!

We look forward to welcoming pupils back on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> April at their normal start time.

#### Mrs Amanda Ryan, Principal

## Free School Meal Vouchers—Easter

Sefton Council are providing funding for school to provide Free School Meal vouchers over the two weeks of the Easter Holidays. This is funded through the Covid Winter Food Grant.

If your child is entitled to FSM you will receive a Text and/or email from Wonde asking you to choose your preferred supermarket (Aldi, Asda, Sainsbury's or Tesco). All Text and/or email have been sent on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> March for the value of £30 (£15 per week).

Further advice can be found here:

https://help.schoolvouchers.com/hc/en-gb/articles/360015110178-How-to-access-your-voucher-step-by-stepinstructions-

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#### **Dear Parents/Guardians**

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There will be a six day window after the final day of teaching in which schools should remain contactable to assist with contact tracing. This means that, parents and guardians of any child who has tested positive for Covid-19 after the last day of school on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> March can inform the school so that other close contacts can be advised where necessary.

Can we please emphasise, where a pupil or staff member tests positive for coronavirus (COVID-19), having developed symptoms more than 48 hours since being in school, the school should not be contacted.

Parents and guardians should follow contact-tracing instructions provided by NHS Test and Trace and if you are undertaking home testing please continue to use the school reporting system during the holidays: https://bit.ly/HHStestresult

School staff will review cases for a limited period each day; you should communicate any positive cases to the school via email to: <u>admin@hillsidehigh.co.uk</u> and this will be available until 1.00pm on 1st April.

# Please note we will monitor this inbox between the hours of 8.00am and 1.00pm each day and any member of the senior leadership team that is 'on-call' will respond as appropriate between these hours. Any cases reported after 1.00pm will be dealt with the following day.

I am sure you can appreciate the logistics of this and the reliance on school staff who have already worked tirelessly during this period.

We will look to inform parents and guardians via a phone call or text message, should pupils be required to self-isolate, and a general letter outlining the restrictions will be placed on our website.

If you or your child develops any of the symptoms described by the NHS no matter how mild, we request that you do not attend school and arrange for a Covid-19 test immediately. Main symptom/s are:

- a high temperature
- a new, continuous cough
- a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste

Finally, thank you for continuing to follow national guidance on social distancing, no unnecessary travel/contacts and regular hand washing; these measures are in place to support everyone to have a safe and happy Easter.

Yours sincerely

Mrs A Ryan Principal



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## **Times Tables Rockstars**

A massive well done to our TT Rockstars this week, they are:

## <u>Year 7:</u>

Tilly Wallace 7TG, Joshua Williams 7THE and Ethan Richardson 7RS

#### <u>Year 8:</u>

Jessica Harrington 8NW, Nathan Oyobagie 8NW and Ryan Jenkinson 8RLC



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#### Hillside High School

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# Safeguarding, Emotional Wellbeing and Mental Health Bulletin

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# Service and Resources over the Easter period

As we approach the Easter break from school, we thought it would be useful to publish some contact numbers should you need to contact someone regarding the safety or welfare of a young person while school is closed.

**Childline** 08001111

NSPCC- <u>www.nspcc.org.uk</u> 08448920264 (Liverpool Office) NSPCC Helpline 08088005000

cruse.org.uk- coping with a bereavement

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www.trusselltrust.org -Foodbank

South Sefton Foodbank-0151 933 1300

Liverpool Social Care- 233 3700

Sefton Social Care- 0845 140 0845

SWACA—Monday-Friday 9.30am—5.00pm, Tel: 0151 922 8606, www.help@swaca.com

The Life Rooms-0151 478 6556

National Domestic Abuse Helpline-0808 2000 247, www.nationaldahelpline.org.uk

**South Sefton Food Bank**—St Leonard's Youth & Community Centre, 60 Peel Road, L20 4RW, infor@southseftonfoodbank.org.uk—Tel 0151 933 1300

**Sefton CAMHS Support**—Alder Hey Crisis Care Team has a 24 hours a day, 7 days a week helpline. 0151 293 3577 or freephone 0808 196 3550

Parenting 2000—Counselling and Family Support, www.parenting2000.org.uk, info@parenting2000.org.uk, Tel 07834 524 956 or 07464 544 314

**Safe Regeneration**—Waverley Street, Bootle L20 4AP—Please visit facebook page and leave a message.

SWAN Women's Centre—Twitter, Facebook and Instagram pages.

**Mrs** Cross

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