



# OPEN EVENING

## THURSDAY 16TH SEPTEMBER 2021 - 5:45PM



ENROL  
NOW  
FOR 2021

PRIVATE  
TOURS  
AVAILABLE

Apply Online: [sefton.gov.uk/admissions](https://sefton.gov.uk/admissions) Deadline: 31st October 2021

### Dear Parents/Guardians

Welcome back to what I know is going to be an exciting and productive year here at Hillside. It has been a pleasure to welcome all pupils back to school and to start to get to know our new Year 7s. They seem to be settling in really well and have made an excellent first impression.

We were delighted that the report from our Ofsted visit has now been published. Please take the time to read it (it's easy to find on our website). We feel this is an accurate reflection of everything we are doing as a school. The full inspection resulted in us achieving Good for Leadership & Management and Personal Development, which we are delighted about.

In terms of Behaviour and Attitudes, the inspectors saw exemplary behaviour and conduct from our pupils, both in lessons and at social times. Unfortunately, attendance is a limiting factor in this judgement and as a school we have struggled to regain the momentum we had prior to the pandemic in terms of attendance. I would remind all parents of the need for children to attend school every day to ensure our pupils fulfil their academic potential and benefit from all the amazing opportunities on offer at Hillside. As always a massive thank you to all pupils, supported by their parents/guardians who have attended every day this week...this is the start we want!

I would also take this opportunity to thank all parents and guardians for ensuring pupils have returned to school looking pristine in their uniform and with their 'Essential 8'; we massively appreciate your support.

On a very practical note you will have seen your child's timetable for this academic year has been made to fit into their blazer pocket, could I ask you double check they don't get washed along with the blazer, as we can't keep replacing these timetables for pupils.

I am delighted to introduce our team of Year 11 Prefects, please see inside. These pupils are already making a massive contribution to school life and we are extremely proud of all of them. Positivity is the character virtue we are thinking about this half term and it certainly feels like Hillside is making a very positive start to the year.

If you have younger children or know anyone who does, please join us next Thursday for Open Evening 5.45-7.45pm. It's fine to attend at any time during these hours. We look forward to meeting children in Year 5 & 6 and their families.

**Mrs Amanda Ryan, Principal**

Excellence in the Heart of the Community





## Character Development - Positivity

This week Mrs Ryan and I launched this term's Character Development Focus which is Positivity. Each half term, pupils will focus on one of the three character core values as set out in the Hillside Way: Positivity, Kindness and Resilience. Character education at Hillside High School enables all members of the school community to understand and develop further our core values which underpin success in school and beyond. Through effective character education, we want all pupils at a Hillside to develop skills, behaviours and attitudes that will allow them to:

- **Build relationships with others through showing kindness**
- **Respond well to different situations and show resilience**
- **Cope with difficult situations by being able to see the positives**

During this term, pupils will take part in events and competitions which will showcase the core value of 'Positivity'. In her assembly, Mrs Ryan explained how surrounding yourself with positive people can have a positive impact on a person's outlook and how we should train our inner voices to be more positive. During registration next week, all form groups will be asked to write a message of positivity on a wooden leaf which will be made into a display of positivity in our school foyer. We also look forward to giving out prizes during the next few weeks for pupils who are demonstrating this core value in their lessons.



*Mrs Jones*



**gcsepod**  
education on demand

**Top Podders** are the pupils who have streamed the most pods

**Questions Answered** are the pupils who attempted the most questions

**Diamond League** - are the pupils who have answered with the most accurate knowledge, the more correct responses, the more diamonds.

**GCSE Pod For KS4**

**TOP PODDERS**

*James W, Year 10 - 138*

*Kemi A, Year 10 - 35*

*Beth S, Year 10 - 29*

*'Excellence in the Heart of the C PIC•COLLAGE*

**GCSE Pod For KS4**

**DIAMOND LEAGUE**

*James W, Year 10 - 276*

*Kemi A, Year 10 - 138*

*Eleanor C, Year 10 - 120*

*'Excellence in the Heart of the C PIC•COLLAGE*

**GCSE Pod For KS4**

**QUESTIONS ANSWERED ?**

*James W, Year 10 - 236*

*Kemi A, Year 10 - 87*

*Eleanor C, Year 10 - 84*

*'Excellence in the Heart of the C PIC•COLLAGE*

Excellence in the Heart of the Community





## Hillside Year 11 Prefects

The position of a prefect is one of increased responsibility in school. It provides an important connection between staff and pupils. Our prefects are vitally important to the whole school community and help to set the tone amongst pupils. They also lead by example and promote the Hillside Way. Prefects are role models and demonstrate the core values of Hillside High School on a daily basis and encourage them in others both in school and in the wider community.



Hillside High School prefect team

Mr Smith

## The School Day

**Please note we now have slightly staggered arrival time, however all pupils need to be in their form room ready for registration at 8.45am.**

|              | Event          | Year 7  | Year 8   | Year 9   | Year 10  | Year 11  |
|--------------|----------------|---|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| 08:40am      | Arrival Time   | 8.30am  | 8.35am   | 8.35am   | 8.40am   | 8.40am   |
| 08:45am      | Registration   | Tutor Period or Assembly                      |          |          |          |          |
| 09:00am      | Lesson         | Period 1                                      | Period 1 | Period 1 | Period 1 | Period 1 |
| 10.00am      | Lesson / Break | Period 2                                      | Break    | Break    | Period 2 | Period 2 |
| 11.00am      |                | Break 10.30am – 10.45am                       | Period 2 | Period 2 | Break    | Break    |
| 11.15am      | Lesson         | Period 3                                      | Period 3 | Period 3 | Period 3 | Period 3 |
| 12.15-1.45pm | 12.15-12.45    | Period 4                                      | Lunch    | Lunch    | Period 4 | Period 4 |
|              | 12.45-1.15     | Lunch   | Period 4 | Period 4 |          |          |
|              | 1.15-1.45      | Period 4                                      |          |          | Lunch    | Lunch    |
| 1.45pm       | Lesson         | Period 5                                      | Period 5 | Period 5 | Period 5 | Period 5 |
| 2.45pm       | End of day     | Beginning of P6 and extra-curricular sessions |          |          |          |          |

Excellence in the Heart of the Community



# Safeguarding, Emotional Wellbeing and Mental Health Bulletin

## Progress Leaders

If you need to discuss any matter regarding your child, please feel free to contact us at school. We find that pupils achieve the best when there is open communication between home and school. Your child's Form Tutor should be the first port of call, please feel free to speak to the relevant Progress Leader if you have any worries or concerns, or have any information that you would like to share as a reminder; please see below for your child's Progress Leader. Please note that Mrs Buckley is currently looking after Year 9 for Mrs Harper for the time being.



**Miss Roby,**  
Year 7 Progress  
Leader



**Mrs McCarthy,**  
Year 8 Progress  
Leader



**Mrs Harper,**  
Year 9 Progress  
Leader



**Mrs Buckley,**  
Year 9 Progress  
Leader



**Miss Phillips,**  
Year 10 Progress  
Leader



**Miss Banks,**  
Year 11 Progress  
Leader

## Pupil Support



**Mrs Banks, Pupil  
Support**

A reminder that if your child takes medication during the school day then this should be brought into school and clearly labelled with pharmacy instructions for administering the medicine. Parents/Guardians need to sign a form to say that you agree to your child being given medicine. Except for any inhalers or in some cases an epi-pen, a pupil should not carry any medication on them in school including paracetamol. If we held medication for your child last year, please contact school to check that we have enough stock and that this is in date. Mrs Banks is the Pupil Support Co-ordinator and will assist with any enquiries regarding medication. If your child has an ongoing medical condition and requires a care plan, please contact Mrs Banks who will work with you to create or update this.

## Safeguarding

Please see the poster below to remind you of the Safeguarding team here at Hillside. All members of staff have a safeguarding responsibility here at Hillside but the members of staff below have specific responsibilities in terms of responding to any safeguarding concerns. Please see our safeguarding information in the Pupil Handbook for further information.

**Mrs Cross**

**Designated Persons  
for Safeguarding**

Hillside High School  
Excellence of the C  
Mrs Cross  
Strategic Lead / Designated Teacher  
for Safeguarding  
PERVIG OPTS

*If you have a concern about your own safety or well-being, or the safety and well-being of somebody else in school it is really important that you talk to one of these members of staff.*

**Miss Sheils**  
Designated Safeguarding Lead

**Mrs McGing**  
Designated Safeguarding Lead

*In the event of Mrs McGing or Miss Sheils not being available please see one of the following:*

**Mrs Banks**  
Deputy Designated Lead

**Mr Smedley**  
Deputy Designated Lead