EXCELLENCE IN THE HEART OF THE COMMUNITY



Dear Parents/Guardians,

I hope you enjoy reading this week's newsletter. We have included lots of very important information for you. I hope the calendar on the back page allows you to plan for the events you will be attending to support your child during the year. This week saw the first of our 'Success Evenings' for Year 11 and it was amazing to see the hall full of Year 11 and their Parents / Guardians. Working together like this is crucial to ensure our pupils achieve the success they are capable of.

We have also included details of your child's Homework timetable, we no longer have pupil planners and I know some parents worry about the communication around homework so please keep a copy of this information so you can refer to it throughout the year.

Amanda Ryan, Principal



Sporting Achievement – Hillside's Future Lionesses!

Kavla Bloxham - Year 8

A huge congratulations to Kayla who has been successful in the Sefton Girls Football trials and been selected for both the u13 and u14 age groups!! She also plays for Blackburn and has recently signed a one-year contract with them. Kayla also plays for the school team and is their team captain. Good luck Kayla!

Jasmin Isibor - Year 8

Well done to Jasmin for also being selected for Sefton Girls Football team in the u13 age group. She also plays for a team outside of school and is hoping to play for the school team this year. Best of luck Jasmin!!

Ellie Lamb—Year 8

Another well done to Ellie, she too has just renewed her contract with Wigan Athletic Football Club. Good Luck Ellie!











Hillside High School Newsletter

Key Stage 3 (Years 7, 8 and 9) Homework

Homework for pupils in Key Stage 3 is set by the following subjects English, Maths, Science,

Spanish, History and Geography. Pupils should complete homework according to the homework timetable which sets out which night pupils should complete homework, these are the same for all year groups.

Homework for all subjects is linked to retrieval practice. Research has shown that the use of retrieval practice is an effective tool for improving learning. Each week, pupils will take part in retrieval activities in each of their lessons and homework will support retrieval practice.

Homework can be set via an online learning platform or for pupils to be directed to learn specific parts of their knowledge organisers, to "Read, Cover, Write, Check." in preparation for weekly retrieval activities.

- 1. Read Pupils read and study a section of their Knowledge Organiser. Class teachers will tell pupils which section they should be studying each week.
- Cover Pupils cover up the section of the Knowledge Organiser that they have been studying.
- Write Pupils write down what they can remember from the section of the Knowledge Organiser they have been studying.
- Check Pupils check how much they can remember and write down anything they don't in a different colour. The process is then repeated until the content can be recalled.

Homework timetable - Key Stage Three					
Day	Subject	Homework Task	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9
			(time)	(time)	(time)
Monday	English	Bedrock	20	25	30
Monday	Reading	Reading (School or other reading book)	20	25	30
Tuesday	Maths	<u>Hegarty</u>	20	25	30
Tuesday	Geography	Read, Cover, Write, Check using knowledge organiser	20	25	30
Wednesday	Science	Read, Cover, Write, Check using knowledge organiser	20	25	30
Wednesday	Reading	Reading (School or other reading book)	20	25	30
Thursday	Spanish	Read, Cover, Write, Check using knowledge organiser	20	25	30
Thursday	History	Seneca	20	25	30
Friday	Reading	20 minutes reading (School or other reading book)	20	25	30
Weekend	English	Bedrock	20	25	30

Key Stage 4 Homework

Core homework for pupils in Key Stage 4 is set using GCSE POD.

For English, maths and science, pupils should be set a minimum of three pods per week. All other subjects should set two pods per week. Links to the pod's that pupils need to watch should be posted in the class Team using Office 365.

Class teachers are free to set additional homework where appropriate. This may not always be in the form of a written piece of work or a worksheet but may be more research based.

Year	Day	Subject	Homework Task
10 / 11	Monday	English	Complete Tasks set on GCSE POD.
10 / 11	Tuesday	Maths	Complete Tasks set on GCSE POD.
10 / 11	Wednesday	Science	Complete Tasks set on GCSE POD.
10 / 11	Thursday	Option H	Complete Tasks set on GCSE POD.
10 / 11	Thursday	Option A	Complete Tasks set on GCSE POD.
10 / 11	Friday / Weekend	Option B	Complete Tasks set on GCSE POD.
10 / 11	Friday / Weekend	Option C	Complete Tasks set on GCSE POD.

Any questons about your child's homework should be raised with their class teachers or Subject Leader. Mrs Jones, Assistant Vice Principal has overall responsibility for homework if you still need to discuss anything further





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	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		Period 2	Break	Break	Period 2	Period 2
11.00am	Lesson / Break	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	David 4	Davia d 4
	12.45-1.15	Lunch	Davie d 4	Period 4	Period 4	Period 4
	1.15-1.45	Period 4	Period 4	Period 4 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				

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GCSE Pods







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 cudiamonds.

European Day of Languages

26 September 2022 marks the 21st anniversary of the European Day of Languages. Since 2001, the Day has been celebrating the rich tapestry of languages coexisting in Europe and beyond. According to Council of Europe Secretary General Marija Pejčinović Burić "The European Day of Languages reminds us that all voices matter and that together we can overcome linguistic and cultural divides in our societies". At Hillside, we welcome children from around the world and we are incredibly proud of the cultural diversity they bring to our school. There are currently 27 languages spoken by staff and pupils across school including Polish, Romanian, Turkish, Cantonese, Farsi and Hindi to name but a few! Take a look in our pupil handbook where you will find how you say hello in all of these languages.







attend their child's Progress Evening.

Safeguarding, Emotional Wellbeing and Mental Health

September 2022		October 2022	
26th September	Year 11 English and Maths	6th October	WSW Community Event
zour ocptember	Exams in Sports Hall—All Week	13th October	ARTS Evening
		13th October	
			Year 7 Settling in Parent Event 10:30am and 5pm
		20th October	Presentation Evening and End of term—Last Day of School
		31st October	Start of Term—Back to School
November 2022		December 2022	
10th November	Remembrance Evening	1st December	Christmas Market 5:30pm-7:30pm
16th November	Year 9, 10 & 11 Careers Fair	14th December	Christmas Dinner Day
17th November	Year 10 Progress Evening	15th December	Christmas Concert 7pm
28th November—21st	Year 11 Predictor Exams	19th—21st December	Mock Interviews Year 10
December		21st December	End of Term— Last Day of School
January 2023		February 2023	
9th January	Start of Term—Back to School	9th February	Year 7 Progress Evening
19th January	Year 11 Predictor Results Day	10th February	End of Term—Last Day of School
26th January	Year 11 Progress Evening	20th February	Start of Term—Back to School
March 2023		April 2023	
2nd March	World Book Day	27th April	Year 8 Progress Evening
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Cth 10th March	Year 9 Progress Evening	·	
6th—10th March	Year 11 English & Maths Exams		
13th—24th March	Year 10 Work Experience		
30th March	Year 9 Options Evening		
31st March	End of Term—Last Day of School		
May 2023		June 2023	
1st May	Bank Holiday—School Closed	5th June	Start of Term—Back to School
26th May	End of Term—Last Day of	21st June	Key Stage 3 Skills Fair
ZOUT May	School	29th June	Year 11 PROM
		30th June	Inset Day (School closed to pupils)
July 2023		August 2023	
5th July	Year 7 Welcoming Evening 6pm	24th August	GCSE Results Day
7th July	Festival of Sport Day		
13th July	Summer Community Evening		
21st July	End of term—Last day of term		
			Please note' Progress Evenings are arents Evenings and take place in school between 4.15—6.45pm. All Parents/Guardians are expected t