



HILLSIDE HIGH SCHOOL

WADE DEACON TRUST

Friday 14th October 2022

Dear Parents/Guardians,

This week's newsletter makes me so proud. Can I start by saying a massive well done to our Year 7 & 8 girls football teams. I'm so proud to see girls football going from strength to strength in our school.

I was also delighted to meet our new School Council Representatives at the start of the week and award them with their badges. I hope they will wear these with the pride they deserve. In recent years our School Council have made a significant contribution to improving our school. I can't wait to see what they are going to achieve this academic year.

Can I remind all families that we finish for half term next Thursday. We return to school at the usual time on Monday 31st October.

Amanda Ryan, Principal

Girl's football

Last Wednesday Hillside Girls (Year 7 and 8) played against Kings Leadership Academy and won 4-0! A great performance by the team playing on the new pitch with the new goals! A fabulous atmosphere and so good to see staff and pupils watching and supporting the girls. Goals were scored by Kayla Bloxham, Ellie Lamb and Jasmine Isibor who got two! Well done girls! Next match is against Deyes High School on 3rd November, please come along and support them!

Mrs Austin



School Council

Introducing our new School Councillors for the new academic year. The first meeting on Wednesday morning was productive and saw councillors sharing the views, opinions and ideas from their peers. The team have made a positive start to their term as councillors, and I am looking forward to seeing their ideas come into fruition.

Mr Smith



Black History Month

October is International Black History Month in the UK and this year's theme is 'Sharing Journeys' - an exploration of the lives and stories of the people who came to Britain in the 19th and 20th centuries and helped laid the foundations of today's diverse Black British Community.

There has been an African community in Liverpool since the 1730s. Liverpool is a truly diverse city that as a port faces the world and welcomes people of all races and religions. Hillside prides itself on its diversity and ensures it is at the heart of what we do as a school.

Many of us here are the descendants of immigrants whether we are Irish, Scottish, Welsh, European, Asian, African or Caribbean. Our diversity should be celebrated. It is what makes us strong and who we are today.

Mark Levy told us last year to be 'upstanders', by celebrating our diversity and not turning a blind eye to injustice. We can all do that.



Bedrock Homework Club

Monday and Wednesday

2:45pm - 4:30pm

Room 36

Available to Y7, Y8 & Y9



Vocabulary

Learn the academic language you need to succeed.

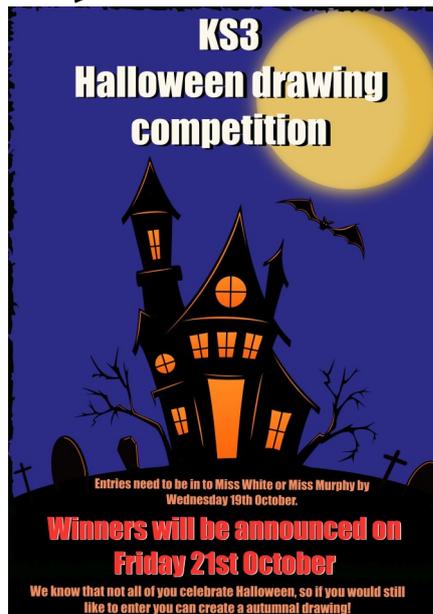


Grammar

Learn about the way we arrange language to show meaning.



HAPPY HALLOWEEN



SPARX MATHS

Catch Up + Homework Club

Monday and Friday

2:45pm - 4:30pm

Room 24

Available to All Years



bedrock learning

Weekly praise for our top Bedrockers!

Top for weekly points earned

Katherine Roberts	9GW 88 points
Sissy Staneva	9GW 79 points
Ellis Rudd	9The 70 points
Mr Gibaud	

Top for weekly time spent on Bedrock

Ethan Maggie-White	8SW 2h, 37m
Ashley Evans	9RLC 2h, 36m
Nadia Kakol	7MC 2h, 29m

World Space Week & Project Lab Shirt 2022

Last week, we celebrated World Space Week with this year's theme being based around 'Space & Sustainability'. Space technology has enhanced our lives so much already, giving us the ability to produce prosthetic limbs, digital thermometers, solar panel, scratch resistant glass and much more, but how can it help in our quest to achieve sustainability? Space technology can help us to accurately predict extreme weather as well as help to monitor illegal fishing, greenhouse gas emissions and agriculture conditions in the developing world, all of which can in turn help people to use resources in the most efficient and energy saving way.

A massive thank you to all the families who attended our community evening. They had the chance to investigate craters, soil samples and volcanic topography, all linked to the surface of our nearest neighbouring planet, Mars. The pupils had a fantastic time modelling playdoh into volcanoes, carrying out chemical analysis and measuring asteroid impacts all in an attempt to graduate from Hillside Space Academy. Our very own Mr Code, Mrs Thornton and Mr Smith were on hand to guide them through the challenges, which they all passed with flying colours.

And if that wasn't enough, Friday 7th October marked the latest Project Lab Shirt day for our Year 7 pupils. This is a homework project designed by the Science Department to help engage pupils creatively and imaginatively, culminating in pupils being allowed to come in to school without having to wear their blazer, but wearing a lab shirt that they had designed over the previous weeks. It has to be said that the response and effort from the year group was phenomenal. Some of the designs were stunning and a number of pupils (and parents) had clearly gone to significant lengths to make their shirts stand out from the crowd. A massive well done to everyone and to our prize winners Grace Corrigan, Louie Meadows, Rhylee Warner, Will Cain and Nadia Kakol for an outstanding effort.

Mr Wardale



EXCELLENCE IN THE HEART OF THE COMMUNITY

Breakfast Club

Come along to our fantastic breakfast club!
Mrs McGing will be in the old gym every day between 8am and 8:30pm serving delicious warm bagels.



Safeguarding, Emotional Wellbeing and Mental Health

Attendance and Punctuality

Some facts about school attendance

Government regard 95% as the minimum satisfactory attendance for a secondary school pupil. Remember the only legally accepted reasons for not being in school are illness, holiday approved by school, or a day of religious observance. Keeping children away from school for no good reason is a criminal offence. Children with poor attendance often become the victims of bullying. Some parents have been given a prison sentence for continually failing to send their child/children to school. It is the school and not parents who decide whether or not to authorise absences; the parent's note is necessary because the reasons given need to be considered by the school. 80% attendance is the same as having a day off school every week. Looking after other children, or shopping for new clothes, are not good enough reasons to keep your child off school. The schools will not authorise absences without a good reason for your child being off.

Top 10 Tips:

- Make school attendance non-negotiable unless there is a genuine illness – create good habit from the start.
- Make sure uniform is ready, especially after the holidays or weekend.
- Set the alarm clock early enough to allow plenty of time to get ready.
- Talk to your child about school life and if they are unhappy about any aspect, tell us as soon as possible so we can try to resolve the issue.
- Ensure medical/dental appointments are made out of school hours. If this is not possible, consider is this enough or your child to miss a whole day of school.
- If your child is under the weather, but well enough for school, send them in. If they are too unwell for school, we will contact you for them to go home.
- Talk to your child about how important it is to attend school every day.
- If you think your child is trying to avoid school, or certain days, can you find out why?
- Encourage after school activities and remember we have a free breakfast for all pupils, available from 8am.
- If your family are experiencing any difficulties, talk to your school who may be able to offer help.



The ASD Training Team

"The Liverpool ASD training team are providing a series of virtual drop ins via Zoom for any Liverpool residents who have questions or concerns about their child." Mrs Miller

They are for parents/carers who have any questions or concerns about their child, in regard to pre and post Autism diagnosis. It is also an opportunity to speak with an ASD trainer and other parents.

The sessions will be 2 hours long, you can choose to join anytime with in those two hours or stay for the duration. You do not require a diagnosis of ASD to book your place.

Dates:
 Tuesday 1st November Time: 9.30 – 11.30
 Wednesday 2nd November Time: 1pm – 3pm
 Tuesday 8th November Time: 1pm – 3pm
 Wednesday 9th November Time: 9.30 – 11.30

If you would like to book onto one of the sessions, please email: asdtrainingteam@liverpool.gov.uk



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

Wachirawit W, Year 10 - 31

Luke G, Year 10 - 29

Callum J, Year 10 - 28

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GCSE Pod For KS4

DIAMOND LEAGUE

HaiYing X, Year 8 - 128

Jessica H, Year 10 - 70

Jay B, Year 10 - 18

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GCSE Pod For KS4

QUESTIONS ANSWERED

HaiYing X, Year 8 - 64

Jessica H, Year 10 - 40

Ashen S, Year 10 - 19

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