



# Thought for the Week





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

It's certainly beginning to look a lot like Christmas at Hillside. I am writing this after another amazing Christmas Market last night. Community events like this are so important to us as a school and a real highlight of our year! A number of us are running in Liverpool's Santa Dash on Sunday and it would be amazing if we could beat last year's total in terms of sponsorship. Everything we raise goes back into supporting families in our community who might find this time of year extremely difficult.

A massive well done to Ms Chialton who won our 'Stars on our School' raffle. Ms Chialton works tirelessly to support our pupils in attending school every day. We had a lovely day last Friday celebrating 'Stars in Our Schools' and the massive contribution our team of support staff make to our pupils, our school and this community. Well done and Thank You!

**Amanda Ryan, Principal** 

### Santa Dash 2023

This year we have an fantastic team of athletes entering Liverpool's Santa Dash, and looking at the weather forecast they may well be dashing through the snow!

It has been a difficult couple of years in our school community and Christmas really brings that home to us all! Many families are struggling with the cost of living let alone with the added pressure of Christmas and the extra costs it can bring. So, on Sunday 3rd December Team Hillside is entering the Santa Dash in Liverpool raising much needed funds for our Christmas Meal Appeal, we want to make sure no family goes hungry this Christmas!

We hope to bring a little Christmas joy to as many families in our community as possible and we need your help. We have set up a fundraising page with the hope of raising £1,000 which will help us to purchase essential items to support some of our families.

Please give whatever you can, every little helps.

https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/hillside-high?utm\_term=AKMbRaAa8







I am delighted to share our published report from Ofsted with you. This is now live on our website for staff and parents to access. The link is here: <u>Hillside High School - Hillside is a Good School!</u>









# **Super Star!**

Our very own Kayla Bloxham has recently been selected to be part of the Merseyside football team and has played for them in several games. Kayla is excelling in her football. We are incredibly proud of Kayla and all of her achievements, well done! Looks like we have our very own Lioness on our hands!!

## **Music Exams**

Seven talented Hillside pupils took ABRSM practical music exams recently and I'm pleased to say they all passed! They are:

- Emily Conlan (Year 10) Jazz Alto Sax grade 1
- Arthika Sivanathan (Yéar 10) Jazz Trumpet grade 2
- Tilly Wallace (Year 10) Jazz Trumpet grade 2
- Kryzsztof Makowski (Year 9) Jazz Trumpet grade 1
- Lacey-Leigh Paterson (Year 11) Piano grade 2
- Jaylen Huang (Year 8) Piano grade 1 (merit)
- Leah Bebington-Jones (Year 10) Piano grade 1 (merit)

Great results, well done everyone!



Mr Harrison

# **Computer Science**

One afternoon this week the form group 7CH had the brilliant opportunity to use the drone during lesson to see how sensors are used in the outside.

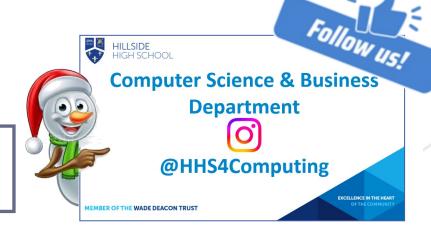
Mr Henesy





### Key Dates 2023

13th December—Christmas Dinner Day 14th December—Christmas Concert 7pm



# We're Hiring!

#### **Catering Manager**

Salary: NJC Grade 4. SCP7-11, FTE: £24,294 - £25,979. Actual salary: £22,643-£24,214

To start: 19th February 2024

Permanent **Full Time** 

We seek to appoint a highly motivated Catering Manager to organise the catering establishment in accordance with the required standards and statutory regulations and ensure the efficient and economic use of all allocated resources. To provide a meals service that meets the catering service standards and service user needs. To maintain high standards of cleanliness and hygiene and the day-to-day supervision of kitchen staff.

We can offer the successful candidate an opportunity to work with highly trained, supportive and experienced staff, as well as a whole school commitment to professional development as we believe that development of staff is a key aspect in raising standards for our pupils. As a member of the Wade Deacon Trust, we can offer the successful candidate numerous exciting opportunities to further develop their career.



The Wade Deacon Trust is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. The post is subject to an enhanced DBS check and satisfactory medical clearance.

### **London Adventure**

On Wednesday 30th November, Jack D, Luis R and Jayden P all had the opportunity to visit the Premier League offices and Houses of Parliament as part of their work with the LFC foundation and Premier League Inspires project. During the visit, the boys had the chance to meet our local MP Peter Dowd who gave them a guided tour around parliament visiting the house of commons, house of lords, central lobby and Westminster Hall. The boys had the chance to see where the decision makers of the land gather to debate and discuss the issues of the moment and even got to see the Prime Minister arrive for Prime Ministers questions to the soundtrack of the Star Wars Imperial March.

Following a morning at Westminster, it was off to the Premier League Offices near Paddington. Jack, Luis and Jayden had been invited along with other schools from across the country as a reward for winning the regional sustainability project competition whilst working with the LFC foundation. During the visit, the boys had the chance to listen to the careers available across the organisation, learn more about what the premier league is doing to promote sustainability in the game and tour their offices.

As so many of our pupils do when out representing Hillside, the boys were well mannered, respectful and polite throughout the day and were a credit to themselves, their families and the school. Finally, a massive thank you to Ryan from the LFC foundation for organising and facilitating the day.

Mr Wardale







# Safeguarding, Emotional Wellbeing and Mental Health

#### **Careers**

Through careers education and guidance in school our aim is that pupils are confident, employable, well-informed and ready for the next steps of their lives.

Decision making is so important this year especially for Year 9 pupils who will choose their options. It is important to consider your future career goal when selecting options.

It is equally important for Year 11 who will make decisions about their future pathway. Pupils

must choose to do A-Levels, complete a vocational qualification or

complete an apprenticeship.

Finally, a message to Year 10 pupils. Remember the deadline for you to secure your work experience placement is **Friday 22nd December.** It is important to stay resilient and to keep trying to secure you own placement. keep an eye on your emails for undates









#### Reminder—Finishing times Friday 22nd December

Year 11—11:40am Year 10—11:55am Year 9—11:45am Year 8—11:50am Year 7—12:00 noon

