



# HILLSIDE HIGH SCHOOL

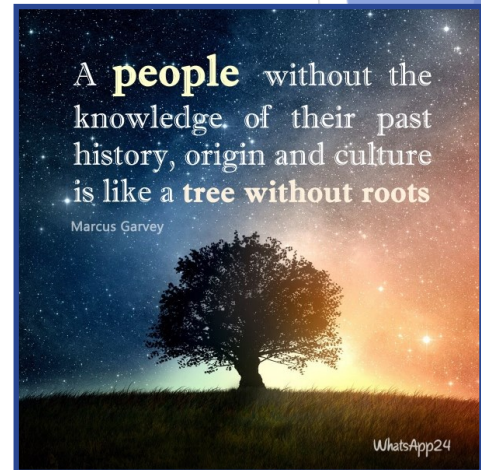
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Dear Parents/Guardians,

I hope you enjoy reading this week's newsletter. As we continue our push on Essential 8 I thought it would be useful to remind everyone of the basics we expect from our pupils every day. Developing these basic skills of organisation are crucial for our pupils for success in school and in later life. I would ask for your continued support in ensuring your child arrives in school, on time, every day, equipped and ready to learn.

Amanda Ryan, Principal



## Thought for the Week

Friday 3th May 2024

## Attendance League Press Release

Last week was a giant killing week, finally the mighty Henderson Town were defeated by a very in form Kitching Rovers. There were great results too for Symes Town and Cosgrove United. Kitching Rovers and Cosgrove United have shot up the league with excellent attendance....ones to watch! Good luck to all the teams this week!

Mr Edwards

### This Week's Full Time Scores wb 22/4/24

Brown United	9LB	80.9	V	86.5	8AWE	Wellington Town
Code Breakers	8SC	88.3	V	89.2	7SAC	Clarke's Sharks
Moore Scorers	7OM	88.8	V	91.8	8RA	Ashraf's Rovers
Higgins' Heroes	7KBH	94.2	V	91.6	10THE	Henesy City
Wardale Wanderers	9SW	97	V	93.8	7CH	Halsall United
Kitching Rovers	9NK	98.2	V	93.3	10TH	Henderson Town
Wright United	10GW	86	V	96.2	8MC	Cosgrove United
Gallagher City	9LG	88.1	V	83.3	7JR	Rice Rovers
Bell City	7EB	89.3	V	92.4	10RS	Seaman's Heroes
Haygarth City	8DH	86.9	V	97.2	10CSY	Symes Town

### Attendance League Table – 26/4/24

Pos	Team	Name	Played	Won	Draw	Lost	GD +/-	Boost	Points	
1	10TH	Henderson Town	6	5	0	1	20.8	17	32	↔
2	9SW	Wardale Wanderers	6	4	1	1	10.5	12	25	▲
3	10RS	Seaman's Heroes	6	4	0	2	33.1	12	24	▼
4	10CSY	Symes Town	6	4	0	2	8.2	10	22	▲
5	10THE	Henesy City	6	4	0	2	5.6	8	20	▼
6	7CH	Halsall United	6	3	0	3	4.1	8	17	▲
7	9NK	Kitching Rovers	6	3	0	3	-4.7	8	17	▲
8	8RA	Ashraf's Rovers	6	4	0	2	15.7	4	16	▲
9	7KBH	Higgins' Heroes	6	4	0	2	5.6	4	16	▲
10	7EB/SL	Bell City	6	3	0	3	8.4	6	15	▼
11	8MC	Cosgrove United	6	2	0	4	0	9	15	▲
12	7SAC	Clarke's Sharks	6	4	0	2	-4.5	3	15	▼
13	7OM	Moore Scorers	6	3	0	3	9.5	5	14	▼
14	7JR	Rice Rovers	6	3	0	3	1.7	3	12	▼
15	8SC	Code Breakers	6	3	0	3	-8	0	9	▼
16	10GW	Wright United	6	1	0	4	-18.4	6	9	▼
17	8DH	Haygarth City	6	1	2	3	-14.9	3	8	↔
18	9LG	Gallagher City	6	2	0	4	-19.2	1	7	↔
19	8AWE	Wellington Town	6	1	1	4	-12.7	2	6	↔
20	9LB	Brown United	6	0	0	6	-40.5	0	0	↔

Points  
Win = 3 Points  
Draw = 1 Point  
Lose = 0 Points

Weekly Boost  
Attendance above:  
90% - 1 point  
93% - 2 points  
96% - 3 points

### Year League Leaders 26/4/24

Year 7	7CH – Halsall United
Year 8	8RA – Ashraf's Rovers
Year 9	9SW – Wardale's Wanderers
Year 10	10 TH – Henderson Town

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: [Hillside High School - Hillside is a Good School!](https://www.hillsidehigh.co.uk)



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## 'Meet the Team'

This week, we'll focus on the Hillside Attendance Team. The attendance officers play a crucial role in assisting pupils and their families in getting the support they need to overcome any obstacles or problems that may prevent them from attending. Both the ladies have been at Hillside for nearly two years.

### Miss Elliott

**Previous job(s):** Nursery Nurse

**Hobbies/interests:** I really don't have time for hobbies with 3 kids.

**Pets:** Cat called Milo and a Cocker Spaniel called Teddy

**Favourite food:** Chinese Food

**Likes:** Spring and Sun Flowers

**Dislikes:** Cucumber and celery

**Favourite movie:** All the Harry Potter films

**Favourite destination or last holiday you went on:** Mallorca

**If you didn't work at Hillside what would you do?** I have always wanted to be a midwife.

**Person you'd most like to meet and why:** The rapper Eminem, I've been a fan since I was younger

**What was your favourite subject when you were at school?** Science, particularly Biology

**Favourite colour:** Mint Green

**Coca-Cola or Pepsi:** Coca Cola

**McDonalds or KFC:** KFC

**If you could have a superpower what would it be?** To be able to fly.

**Last book read:** The Secret

**Liverpool or Everton?** Liverpool

**Favourite chocolate bar:** Star bar!

**Favourite crisp or snack:** Wotsits

**Worst birthday present you have received as an adult:** I was once bought tea towels for my birthday by my nan, when I had just moved into my first house.

**Best birthday present you received when you were younger:** Best present I received as a kid was a Furby! I loved it and took it everywhere.

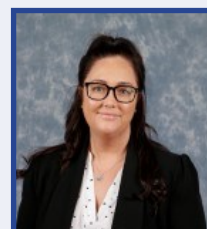
**Red or Brown Sauce on a sausage sandwich:**

**Strangest thing you have eaten:** A dried mealworm! It tastes like bacon!

**Most random item in your desk drawer:** Slippers

**What would be your specialist subject on mastermind?** Famous movie quotes

**An interesting fact most people would not know about you:** I was Parent Champion in the nursery I worked in. I even got a badge!



Miss Elliott



### Ms Wilson

**Previous job(s):** Regional co-ordinator for Deloitte

**Hobbies/interests:** Watching true life documentaries, reading crime stories.

**Pets:** 2 guinea pigs called Bailey and Peppa

**Favourite food:** Pad Thai

**Dislikes:** Freddy Krueger – my brother used to think it was funny to dress up as Freddy and jump out on me and my sister when our parents were out (and he was meant to be babysitting us!)

**Favourite movie:** LA Confidential

**Favourite destination or last holiday you went on:** New York

**If you didn't work at Hillside what would you do?** I'd of loved to work in forensic science.

**Person you'd most like to meet and why:** Idris Elba, to talk about his acting skills of course!

**What was your favourite subject when you were at school?** English Literature

**Favourite colour:** Purple

**Coca-Cola or Pepsi:** Pepsi

**McDonalds or KFC:** McDonalds

**If you could have a superpower what would it be?** To be able to raise the dead.

**Last book read:** The Looming Tower: Al-Qaeda and the Road to 9/11

**Liverpool or Everton?** I was born not far from Ibrox so I've got to say Rangers sorry – but the rest of my family are all Liverpool supporters.

**Which actor would play you in a movie?** Helena Bonham Carter

**Most embarrassing moment:** Tripping over my own feet with a tray full of drinks when trying to impress someone on holiday.

**Favourite chocolate bar:** Peppermint Aero

**Favourite crisp or snack:** Salt & Vinegar Disco's

**Worst birthday present you have received as an adult:** This is the worst present I've ever received although it was a wedding present not birthday – a Chinese dinner set for ONE person .... on my wedding day!

**Strangest thing you have eaten:** Emu Steak

**Most random item in your desk drawer:** 3 false nails.

**An interesting fact most people would not know about you:** My family name is Harland from the shipbuilders Harland & Wolff – our most famous ship was the Titanic ... after that not much money in ship building for Harland & Wolff. Also, Bill Kenwright was my 3rd cousin. Unfortunately we never met.



Ms Wilson

# Snapchat

We know that many of our young people use Snapchat. If you have never used it, users can take photos, record videos, add text or drawings (called Snaps) and send them to friends. Snaps disappear after the recipient views it, or within 24 hours (for a Story or Chat). Once all recipients have viewed a Snap, it will be automatically deleted from Snapchat's servers unless the users save the content. The minimum age for Snapchat is 13 and users between the ages of 13-17 must have permission from parents or guardians. If your child is using the app and is not at the minimum age requirements, then you may be putting them at more risk if you allow them to use the app whilst underage.

The main risks of Snapchat are

- contact from potentially harmful strangers
- seeing inappropriate content
- endless scrolling (or 'doom scrolling')
- bullying, harassment or hate from both friends and strangers
- disappearing messages, which can make it hard to collect evidence in cases of bullying or similar behaviours.

In addition to the risks above, Merseyside Police are also concerned about the increase in child abuse image offences through the app in 2023. Merseyside Police have produced the attached information leaflet below which explains how you can help keep your children safe whilst using the app.



*Mrs Jones*

**CHECK  
THEIR  
SNAPCHAT**

[For more info click here](#)

**MERSEYSIDE POLICE CYBER DEPENDANT CRIME UNIT**

**Snapmaps** is a feature on Snapchat, which allows Snapchat users to see **exactly** where they are - it is extremely accurate.

Unless you change your privacy settings, anyone can see you and any posts you submit to Snapmaps.

Be sure to check your children's privacy settings and make sure they are not publically visible.

**There was a 25% rise in child abuse image offences recorded by UK police in 2022/23**

Snapchat was involved in almost half (44%) of instances where the online platform was identified by police.

HMPS  
Rise in child abuse image offences report  
10/10/2023



## THE FAMILY CENTER

The **Family Center** was introduced by Snapchat in August 2022 to enhance Snapchats safeguarding element when it comes to teen accounts.

Snapchat states that their users must be over the age of 13 years, but we know that this does not necessarily mean that the users are over 13.

The family center allows a teen user account and a parental user account to be linked. This allows the parental account to view their teens friends, see who they are messaging (you cannot see content of those messages).

[For more on The Family Centre click here](#)

Do you know who your children are **speaking to** on Snapchat?

Their "best friends" will be who they speak to the most. But any of their contacts can see their "stories" and message them.

Make sure they only add or accept people **they know**.

"My Eyes Only" is a section of Snapchat where you can save stories or images which are **locked by a passcode** set by the user.

These images are only visible when the passcode is entered, the passcode cannot be recovered by Snapchat.

Investigations have highlighted this is the section where children are saving and storing indecent images of themselves, or other children.

**It is illegal to take, possess or share indecent images' of anyone under age of 18 - including yourself**





# Safeguarding, Emotional Wellbeing and Mental Health

## Local History Month

May is Local History Month and the aim of the month is to increase awareness of local history, promote history in general to the local community and encourage all members of the community, especially school children, to participate. Activities happen across the UK and include trips, library exhibitions and local lectures. It's a great opportunity to take the time to highlight local history and for local people to engage and get involved.

### Recommended Activities for May

Take a walk down the Dock Road and not only admire the beautiful views but Liverpool's rich maritime history; discover the many war memorials to the brave men and women of the Royal and Merchant navies during World War One and Two and be sure to get a photo with the Beatles statue, the four lads from Liverpool who made up one of the most influential bands of all time!

Visit the Maritime Museum free of charge and learn about the darkest chapter in Liverpool's history by taking in the Slavery Exhibit. Inside the Maritime Museum there is also a fantastic exhibition about the Titanic, containing artefacts and many fascinating stories from the most famous of all maritime disasters.

Booking in a tour of the Williamson Tunnels is also recommended in the Edge Hill area of the city. Excavated by Joseph Williamson for reasons unknown in the 19th century, you can take a tour of this fascinating underground world and learn about one of Liverpool's most eccentric characters. What theory do you have for the purpose of the tunnels?

For those interested in the Tudor period, a visit to Speke Hall, ran by the National Trust, is a must. A magnificent and rare Tudor house on the edge of Liverpool, it is surrounded by beautiful gardens and woodland walks. Inside the hall you can find all about the Norris family and the features of a genuine Tudor upper class home.

Those interested in the Blitz and the Battle of the Atlantic can visit the Western Approaches museum, which is an outstanding opportunity to visit the actual bunker from which the efforts of the Royal Navy were directed to combat German U-Boats and bring supplies from America safely into Liverpool via the convoy system. The museum also affords you the chance to walk through a street mocked up to look like an every day road from the Second World War...

*Mr Rayson*

