



HILLSIDE
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EXCELLENCE IN
THE HEART OF
THE COMMUNITY

Dear Parents/Guardian

I can hardly believe I am writing my last newsletter message of the year. We have achieved so much this year and I hope everyone can now enjoy a very well deserved rest over the summer break.

As we end the academic year we do say goodbye to a number of colleagues, Miss Mahoney, Ms Smith, Miss Newsham and Miss Reynolds are all leaving our Teaching Assistant Team. We wish them the best of luck as they pursue their new careers. Miss Halsall in Art leaves us to pursue her dream of teaching abroad and Mr Wellington is leaving us for the next stage in his career as he becomes a PE Subject Leader. We are so proud of all these colleagues and grateful for the contribution they have made to our school.

My final 'Goodbye' is saved for Mrs McIntyre who has actually worked at Hillside for 21 years and has made a massive difference to our children in her role as a Teaching Assistant, I can't actually imagine our school without her! We wish her every happiness in her retirement.

I hope everyone can enjoy a very deserved break and I look forward to welcoming everyone back to school on Tuesday 2nd September at 8.30am.

Amanda Ryan, Principal

Thought for the Week

**THIS IS
YOUR TIME.**

**BE PURPOSEFUL.
ADD TO THE
ETHOS, MAKE
YOUR MARK.**

ALL BLACKS
NEW ZEALAND RUGBY TEAM

Friday 18th July 2025

Croxteth Park Farm

Last week, our Wellbeing Hub cohort headed to Croxteth Park Farm . A traditional working Victorian Farm set within the grounds of Croxteth Hall and Country Park. We spent the day exploring the farm and took part in a variety of different activities from grooming the ponies to meeting their small animals. The pupils demonstrated excellent behaviour throughout and the staff were really impressed with their enthusiasm!

A big well done to all the pupils for representing the school so positively and we can't wait for many more trips in the future!

Miss Ellis



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The Bread and Butter Thing

On Tuesday 8th July, Mrs. Thornton, from the Maths Department, was invited to attend a conference to represent Hillside and our food hub. The aim of the conference was to speak with members of the House of Lords, House of Commons, Local Authorities and Charities about food poverty.

Baroness Walmsley Deputy Leader of the Lib Dems in the Lords, Victoria Harper, CEO of This Bread-and-Butter Thing (TBBT), Mark Game, Founder of TBBT and Paul Davies MP all spoke about the current situation. They were all very aware that there is a difficulty for many people to afford to eat a healthy, balanced diet when finances are so tight. Then representatives of all of the interested parties including the speakers and Morrisons CEO Rami Baetieh were encouraged to speak to the volunteers.

It was such an important and enjoyable day. There were members of TBBT, hub volunteers and current customers all advocating for both themselves and their community. 'We all know this should not be needed, but whilst there is such a need being part of TBBT is at least helping families to manage to feed their families with nutritious food,' was the message taken by Mrs. Thornton.

If you would like to sign up to receive your three bags, one fresh fruit and veg, one refrigerated goods and one with store cupboard items please visit the website for 'This Bread and Butter Thing.' It is NOT means tested and you do not need a referral, sign up, on a Monday you will receive a text, reply yes please and on Tuesday you will be told to come on Wednesday. The three bags cost £8.50 in total and usually contain £30 to £40 worth of items.

If you would like to volunteer to be part of our Hub please speak to Emma Gee our Parent Governor, who runs the hub brilliantly every Wednesday.



Mrs. Thornton

On Wednesday following service it was our pleasure to say 'Thank You' to the volunteers who run our TBBT food hub. They give their time every week to ensure this amazing opportunity can be delivered in our community. We enjoyed some strawberries and cream and a well deserved cold glass of Pimms, all prepared by Miss Salmon and our Year 10 Hospitality students. Mr Harrison and three of our extremely talented musicians played piano to entertain us. What a lovely celebration of their hard work and dedication.

Mrs Ryan



Music Exam

Recent successful ABRSM result:
Jaylen H, Year 9: Piano grade 3
Great result, well done!



Mr Harrison

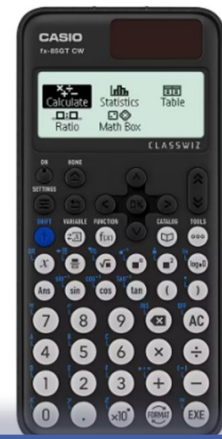


WELL DONE!

Calculator Support for GCSE Success

To support our KS4 students in their GCSE studies, the school will be providing each student with a scientific calculator. This tool is essential for success in many of their exams, particularly in Maths and Science. We also strongly recommend that KS3 students use the same model of calculator to ensure consistency and familiarity as they progress through school. Parents can purchase this calculator via ParentPay. Thank you for your support in helping us prepare students for success.

Miss O'Hara



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Sefton Immunisation Team



Has your child missed a vaccination?

It's not too late, contact the team on **0151 247 6130** to book an appointment.

Clinic dates:

- 23 July 2025 Prince Street Family health centre, Waterloo L22 5PB
- 31 July 2025 Southport Health and Wellbeing PR9 0PQ
- 5 August 2025 Litherland Town Hall Health Centre L21 9JN
- 12 August 2025 Maghull Health Centre L31 0DJ



RE-CYCLE YOUR OLD UNIFORM

We are always grateful for donations of good quality uniform including PE and Drama kits.

Also, if you have any no longer required text books, we can re-cycle those too.



Key Dates 2024-2025 For Hillside Pupils and Our New Year 6 Pupils

Wednesday 23rd July - Friday 25th July—Summer School for Year 6 Pupils

Wednesday 13th August—Uniform Collection for Year Pupils

Thursday 21st August - GCSE Results Day

Monday 1st September—INSET—School Closed to Pupils

Tuesday 2nd September—Back to School for All Pupils—Arrive at 8:20am for an 8:30am Prompt Start

Woodlands Hospice SUMMER HOLIDAY FUN with a Purpose

We know how challenging the Summer Holidays can be for parents, keeping the kids entertained while managing the extra costs isn't easy!

That's why, here at Woodlands Hospice, we've created a programme of exciting activities to help keep your family busy during the school break while raising vital funds for your local Hospice.

Here are just a few ideas to get involved:



Take on a Family Challenge

- Run at Aintree Racecourse
- Walk up Snowdon
- Join an inflatable obstacle race in Cheshire

Get Creative at Home

- Host a cake sale on your street
- Organise a kids' car wash for neighbours



Fundraising is a rewarding experience for parents and children, teaching compassion and community support. Even small events can have a big impact.

Create fun summer experiences while fundraising!

For ideas and help with setting up fundraising pages, contact our Events & Challenges Partnerships Manager.

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5 ways to wellbeing

Sign up to the free family fun activities being held at Litherland Family hub by phoning the centre on 0151-288-6661 - limited places so please only sign up to the sessions you can attend.

WEEK 1

29th July - 10:30 - 12

Get to meet new friends make new connections and play fun team building activities



Fun through sports and games

WEEK 2

5th Aug - 10:30 - 12

WEEK 3

12th Aug - 10:30 - 12

Take part in some mindful fun activities with lots of creativity



Learn how to spell your name in sign language and creative activities

WEEK 4

19th Aug - 10:30 - 12

WEEK 5

26th Aug - 10:30 - 12

Kindness is a super power. Create and make something for someone important to you



free family activities

Standards & Expectations for 2025/26

In this week's assembly I have shared reminders with our pupils to ensure we start school well in September.

Please ensure you have read the slides below which tell you the key information.

We are asking for your support in ensuring our pupils return to school in September in skirts which are knee length.

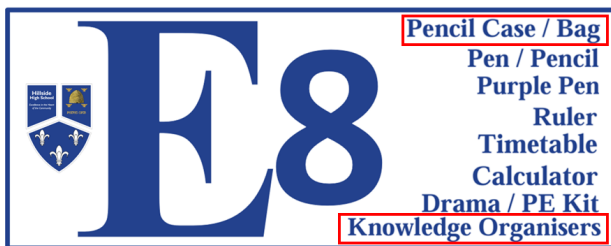
Mrs Ryan



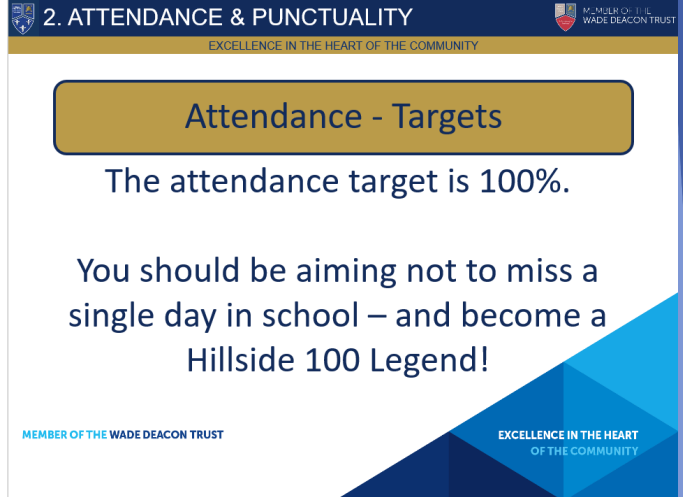
Remind yourself of 'The Hillside Way' and what is expected of every pupil every day. The Hillside Way is in your pupil handbook.



UPDATE ON THE ESSENTIAL 8



There has been an update on the Essential 8 list you will be expected to bring each day to school (expect Drama / PE kit, only on the days timetabled). It now includes knowledge organisers.



SCHOOL UNIFORM

Boys		Girls	
Trousers	Charcoal grey or black, no colours	Skirt	School Kilt
Blazer	Black with trim and badge	Blazer	Black with trim and badge
Shirt	White, collar and short/long sleeves	Blouse	White, collar and short/long sleeves
Pullover	Plain black, V-necked with long sleeves	Cardigan or Pullover	Plain black with long sleeves
Tie	Royal Blue		Plain black V-necked with long sleeves
Socks	Black, dark grey or navy blue	Tie	Royal Blue
		Socks	White
		Tights	Black or navy blue
Shoes	Standard black (no boots)	Shoes	Standard black (no boots)



SCHOOL SKIRTS

Skirts should be knee length and not any higher.

If skirts are deemed to be rolled up too short, then a member of staff will direct you to roll it down.

If a pupil's skirt is deemed to be persistently too short, after being repeatedly told by a member of staff, that pupil will be isolated, and parents will be contacted to arrange a meeting in school.



JEWELLERY & NAIL VARNISH

Jewellery is not allowed in school including earrings- this is for health and safety reasons and items should not be brought into school

Nail varnish is not allowed in school and if you are wearing nail varnish you will be asked to remove it and if false nails are worn pupils may be withdrawn from lessons if the nails cannot be removed.



Any pupil who is found wearing jewellery will have it confiscated by a member of staff.

