

9th October 2025 - Year 7 Meet the Tutors Event—5pm-7:30pm

Thought for the Week

Dear Parents/Guardians,

I hope you enjoy reading this week's newsletter which is a real celebration of our pupils and their achievements. Inside you will see our Lead Learners from the second half of the Summer Term, a huge congratulations to them all.

I was delighted to support our Year 11s on Saturday at their first Saturday School. A morning of Chemistry with Mr Edwards just before their exams this week! It was great to see so many Year 11s attend and engage with the session. This will be the first of many Saturday and Holiday Schools. Please check the website for more details.

I'm delighted to share the news that our amazing Miss White and her partner Jamie have welcomed Baby Mabel Violet into the world on Sunday. Congratulations to them.

Amanda Ryan, Principal





'Class of 26' Saturday School Kicks Off with a Successful Chemistry Session!

Our very first Saturday School of the year was a great success! Held last weekend, the session focused on Chemistry and saw a fantastic turnout of students eager to learn, revise, and strengthen their understanding of key topics. A big thank you to everyone who attended and made the session so engaging and productive!

Saturday Schools are a great opportunity to get extra support, revise for exams, or simply deepen your understanding of a subject with the support of your teachers.

More Saturday School sessions are on the way, covering a range of subjects, so make sure to keep an eye on the school bulletin, website, classcharts and social media for upcoming dates and details. Don't miss out on your chance to take part!

Let's keep the momentum going — see you at the next session!

Miss O'Hara



















Year 8—Lead Learners







Gianna E - Art
James G - Computer Science
Valentina K - Technology
Faith P - Drama
Ruby E - English
Hannah P - Geography
Mollie P - History
Molly B - Maths
Mya-Rose R - Music
Kai C - Religious Studies
Tyler H - Science

Alexandra N - Spanish
Mason W - Personal Development
Artiom Z—Physical Education



Year 9—Lead Learners



Lillie Rose H - Art
Kordian B - Technology
Amelia McC - Drama
Daisy-Mae C - English, Spanish
Computer Science & Maths
Gracie Rai G - Geography
Joshua L- History
Grace W - Music & Religious Studies
James A - Science
Gabriella M - Personal Development
Mia R - Physical Education





Year 10—Lead Learners





Maddie F - Art Fola O - Computer Science Ava K - Technology Shari McC - Drama Dayan K - English Jack L—Geography Iwinosa A—History Kayte W - Maths Content I - Music Lacey N - Religious Studies Alfie D - Science Eva M - Spanish Uche O - Personal Development Peace O-S—Physical Education







Ryan H - Business Studies & Science Malinsa W - Computer Science Queensley I - Drama Kaitlyn H - Dance David H - English Luis R - Geography Stacey B - Hospitality Raymond I - History Hunnie L - ICT Sophie L - Maths Krzystof M - Music Jo-Leigh O'C - Spanish Bianca-Elena T - Photography Bright A O - Physical Education Jenson H—3D Design

Tess M - Art



Safeguarding, Emotional Wellbeing and Mental Health

Thought for the Week: "Anything is Possible" – World Space Week 2025



World Space
Week october 4-10

World Space Week 2025 celebrates human achievement and the belief that anything is possible—from landing on the Moon to exploring distant planets. These incredible milestones were only reached through determination, resilience, and perseverance. We can use this same mindset in our own lives, especially as we prepare for exams, face challenges at school or in our own personal lives. No goal is too big if we stay focused and work hard. Attending after-school revision sessions is one small step that can lead to giant leaps in progress for our pupils. Just like astronaut's train for years, being dedicated now can take you further than you imagine. Believe in your potential—because anything truly is possible.





Mr Wardale

Book Fair

The Scholastic Book Fair will be arriving at Hillside Tuesday 7th October 2025. Pupils will be given an opportunity during the school day to browse the books and write a wish list, which they can take home to show to parents. Books can be purchased at

break times and lunch times in the LRC, please bring the correct amount of cash in a named envelope. If the stock is available the book will be given to the pupil directly. If the title isn't in stock it will be ordered and delivered to them during form time when it arrives in school. If you have any queries contact Mrs Rice via the school office. I can't wait to see what exciting titles arrive!

Miss Rice

Book Fair

TAKEOVER

Start Strong at Hillside: Why Every Minute Counts

As part of our **Be Here** strategy, Hillside High School is launching a renewed focus on **punctuality**—because being just a few minutes late can have a much bigger impact than many realise.

The Hidden Cost of Being Late

When a pupil arrives late—even by just five minutes—they miss vital instructions, disrupt the flow of the lesson, and lose valuable learning time. Over a week, those minutes add up. Over a term, they can mean falling behind in key subjects, missing out on group work, and struggling to catch up.

But it's not just the latecomer who is affected. Every late arrival interrupts the class, distracts others, and forces teachers to repeat instructions—slowing down learning for everyone.

♀ Punctuality Is a Life Skill

At Hillside, we believe punctuality is more than a school rule—it's a life lesson. Being on time shows:

- Respect for others' time and effort
- Responsibility for your own learning and future

Readiness to engage and succeed

These are the same qualities that employers look for in the workplace. Whether it's arriving for a job interview, starting a shift, or meeting deadlines—punctuality is a basic expectation. It's a sign of good manners, professionalism, and reliability.

* Start Strong, Stay Strong

We're encouraging all pupils to **Start Strong**—by arriving on time, every day. That means:

- Being in school before 8.30am
- Getting to lessons promptly

Preparing for the day ahead with focus and purpose Let's make punctuality part of our culture at Hillside. Together, we can build a school environment where every minute matters, every learner thrives, and every day starts strong. **#BeHere #StartStrong #HillsideHigh**