



NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents/Carers

We were incredibly proud to see our Year 11 students celebrate their leaver's assembly. Watching how they have grown and developed into the wonderful year group they are today is a truly special moment for all our staff. While we are sad to see them move on, we are equally excited to see them continue to grow and thrive as young adults.

We have also had the pleasure of meeting some of our new cohort during our enhanced transition days. These students were an absolute delight and had a fantastic experience. A huge thank you to the staff who organised such a successful and enjoyable day.

Next week, we will be celebrating forms with excellent attendance — well done to all involved! The pizzas were an absolute treat and thoroughly enjoyed by students.

A reminder that from **6th July**, all students should enter the school via the **main entrance**.

We have so much planned for the coming weeks and look forward to seeing all of our learners fully engaged as we head into the final stretch of the summer term.

Many thanks

Mrs Anderson-Nicholls, Principal.

Every Friday between now and the end of half-term, starting today, will see pupils with 100% attendance be in with a chance to get a Freddo during form! Two pupils in every form will be chosen at random (using the Class Charts randomiser).

You've got to be in.. To win!

Mr Rayson



Year 8 Students Impress at Young Green Briton Challenge in Manchester

Last Friday, Year 8 students Artiom, Anthony, Thomas and Micheal travelled to Manchester Met Uni to take part in the Young Green Briton Challenge, competing against 22 other schools from across the UK. The team showcased their eco-focused business idea to a panel of industry judges and then delivered a confident pitch in front of a packed lecture theatre of more than 200 people. Despite the scale of the event, they presented with real composure and professionalism. The judges praised the group for their impressive product design, the quality of their manufacturing, and the clarity of their presentation, noting how well the boys communicated their sustainable concept and the teamwork behind it.

Mr Haygarth

PE Star Performers from last week		
		
Alex	9 JR	
Kylee	8 SO	
Jess	9 KBH	
Mia	9 OM	
Chloe	8 SKe	
Kacy	9 TH	
Claudiu	9 OM	
Jack	7 HP	
Carter	7 CL	
Emmi	8 RLC	
Isla	8 RLC	
Albie	7 JMe	
Eli	7 HP	
Daniel	9 SAC	
Daniel	9 TH	
Peggy	7 CL	
Daisy	8 SKe	
James	8 RLC	
Alexandra	8 SA	
Glory	7 HP	
Hannah	8 SA	
Phoenix	10 SC	
Abbey	9 EB	
Luna	8 SA	
Lillie	9 KBH	
Mia	10 SC	

SCHOOL PANTRY

We are pleased to remind all families that we have a **fully stocked school pantry** available to support anyone who may need a little extra help. We understand that times can be challenging, and we are here to support our school community in any way we can.

If you feel this could be helpful for your family, please don't hesitate to visit the **school office** and simply let a member of staff know that you would like to collect a box of items from the pantry. There is no need to book or explain our aim is to make this support as easy to access as possible.

The pantry is regularly stocked with a wide range of useful food items, including:

- Breakfast cereals (we currently have a large supply!)
- Tinned vegetables such as tomatoes, peas, and carrots
- Tinned meals including curry and other ready-prepared options
- Juice and drinks
- Biscuits and snacks
- Crisps
- Pasta
- Rice
- Cooking sauces



We are proud to be able to offer this support and encourage any families who may benefit to make use of it. Please remember, this service is here for **everyone in our school community** no matter how big or small the need.



OPEN WATER: DON'T TAKE THE RISK



Swimming in or playing near rivers and canals may seem like a great idea, particularly on a warm day, but it could all end in tragedy. **DON'T take the risk.**

THE WATER IS COLD...
...even on very warm days, rivers and canals contain water barely above 10 degrees. Sudden immersion can lead to cold water shock, which can cause gasping and intake of water.
This can be deadly in a matter of seconds.

DID YOU KNOW?
Even the narrowest of rivers can be considerably deep. Rivers are subject to strong flow and **hidden currents** which can trouble even the strongest of swimmers.

WHAT LIES BENEATH?
The water is untreated and can make you ill.
Canals and rivers contain pollutants, sewage and often unseen underwater obstructions and snag hazards.

Debris under the water such as shopping trolleys, broken glass and cans can cause **injury** or **trap** you.

Remember, there are no lifeguards to help you at your local river, lake, canal or dam.

Rivers can be very difficult to climb out of, especially with steep or slimy banks. **Stay clear of rivers with steep or unguarded banks.**

IN AN EMERGENCY...NEVER enter the water to try and help a person or animal. You could get into difficulty yourself. Instead, dial 999 and use any water rescue equipment that is available.

If you fall into the water unexpectedly, fight your instinct to thrash around. Instead, lean back, extend your arms and legs & float.



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BEACH SAFETY: KNOW THE DANGERS



MUD AND QUICKSAND
Large areas of the coast can have mud and quicksand which can cause you to get trapped and risk drowning.

REDUCE THE RISK
Check tide times
Follow warning sign advice
Avoid crossing estuaries and mud where there can be hidden channels or fast water
If trapped, **sit back and spread your weight evenly across the surface**
Stop others from trying to help you as they may get stuck
Call **999** immediately and ask for the **Coastguard**



DO NOT USE INFLATABLES
Strong currents can sweep inflatables and people out to sea

FOLLOW THE FLAGS
There are lifeguards in the area. Swim between the two flags.
Do not enter the water. There could be unseen dangers such as currents.
No swimming in this area. There may be non-powered watercraft such as surfboards, kayaks, etc. in this area.



IF YOU SEE SOMEONE STRUGGLING:
PHONE 999
Tell them to **FLOAT** on their back
THROW them something to help them float



TOP TIP
ALWAYS GO TO A BEACH WITH A LIFEGUARD




Important Notice

From **Monday 22nd June**, we will no longer have the option to use the cash top-up machines in the dining room. Instead, all payments and account top-ups must be made online. This change helps speed up lunch queues, keeps transactions secure, and ensures a smoother, more efficient dining experience for everyone.

If you have not yet activated your parentpay account, please email finance@hillsidehigh.co.uk we can then send your activation letter via email. If you have previously activated your account and you no longer have your login details please see below:

Username: Is your email address
Password: if you have forgotten your password, please click the forgotten password button and parentpay will email you a 're-set' password link.

If you have any further issues please contact the finance email.



HILLSIDE HIGH SCHOOL



NO MOBILE PHONES

WE SEE IT... YOU LOSE IT!
Please ensure phones are switched off and out of sight.

National Learning Disability Awareness Week 15th-21st June

This week, our assembly focused on **MENCAP's National Learning Disability Awareness Week**, a nationwide event designed to help everyone understand more about learning disabilities and the impact they can have on people's daily lives.

During our assembly, pupils and staff came together to explore what learning disabilities are, how they affect individuals differently, and why awareness and understanding matter so much within our community.

We highlighted that learning disabilities are not all the same. Some pupils may have **dyslexia**, which can make reading and writing more challenging. Others may experience **developmental coordination disorder**, affecting coordination and movement, or **dyscalculia**, which impacts understanding of numbers. We also discussed **autism, ADHD** and tourette's recognising that these can influence how pupils communicate, learn, and experience the world around them. By identifying these differences openly, we encouraged everyone to appreciate the strengths, talents, and unique perspectives that pupils with learning disabilities bring to our school.

Most importantly, the assembly reminded us that kindness, patience, and inclusion make a real difference. By supporting one another and celebrating our diverse ways of learning, we help create a school environment where every pupil feels valued, understood, and able to succeed.

If you need any further support, please do not hesitate to contact our SEND Coordinator : Mrs Miller