



Hillside High School

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Friday 8th November 2019

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Dear Parents/Guardians

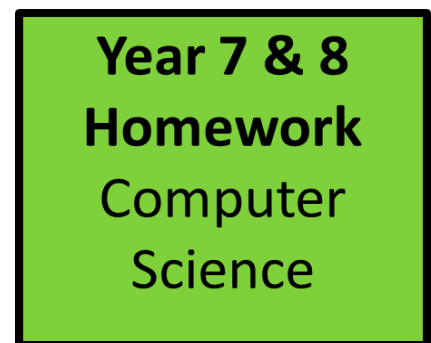
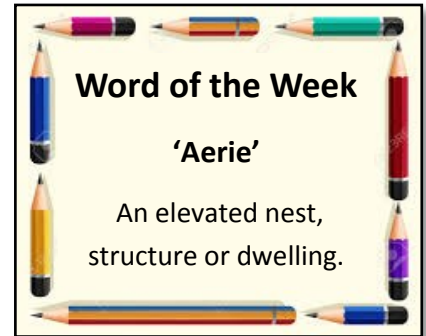
Welcome back to what I know is going to be another exciting half term here at Hillside. This newsletter is a real celebration of some of the exciting things that went on at the end of last half term.

A particular highlight for us was the culmination of the Year 7 Science homework which saw Year 7 arrive for school on the last day of term wearing their lab shirts. These were shirts that they had designed and decorated themselves to demonstrate their science knowledge. The creativity and Scientific knowledge on display was impressive to say the least. I hope you enjoy looking at the photos, although they in no way do them justice! Picking the winning lab shirts was extremely difficult, but in the end the three special prizes were awarded to the extremely talented Jack Gallagher, Lilia Campbell and Heidi Newall. Well done to these pupils and all the year group.

Another highlight of last term was welcoming Mark Levy from New York. Mark is a Civil Rights Veteran who we visit when we travel to New York, so it was a real honour to welcome him to Hillside. Mark was on a speaking tour in the UK, but wasn't actually due to travel to this part of the country, but due to our long standing relationship with him, he made a special journey to Liverpool just so he could speak to our pupils and visit Hillside. Mark was able to speak to all pupils studying History in Year 10 and Year 11 and meet primary pupils from Christ Church, Bedford and Moston Fields, who travelled all the way from North Manchester to meet him. Mark was actually at the famous Martin Luther-King "I have a dream" speech and to hear him speak to our pupils about this experience was amazing. He is a true inspiration to us all. The opportunity to hear the powerful words of such a prominent Civil Rights Veteran is an experience that simply won't be here forever!

As we start a new half term can I take this opportunity to remind all pupils about the need for excellent attendance. We have made a brilliant start to the year and it is important that this is maintained. We need our pupils to 'arrive on time, all the time' to make the progress they are capable of.

Mrs Amanda Ryan



SMSC (Spiritual, Moral, Social & Cultural) Corner

This week's theme: Remembrance Week

In this week's assemblies we will be remembering those that have sacrificed their lives for others in conflicts. We will take time to consider what their sacrifice meant and the effect it had on their loved ones and wider community. We will celebrate peace and reconciliation and look for hope in a World where sometimes this is hard to find.

Next Thursday evening we will be holding a Remembrance Evening at 7pm which you are very welcome to attend. A letter will be sent home regarding how to obtain tickets for this event.

Career of the week

Career: Chef

Skills:

- Working as part of a team
- Communicating with people
- Taking the lead
- Budgeting, planning and organising
- Time management

Average Salary: £23,920

Useful Subjects:

English, Maths, Hospitality, Health and Food Technology, Science

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Mark Levy—Civil Rights Veteran from New York City visits Hillside

On Monday 14th October the history department were delighted to welcome Civil Rights Veteran Mark Levy to Hillside. Mark is a native New Yorker who throughout his time at university and in his early career as a teacher, in the 1960s, took part in a number of Civil Rights protests. Mark was at the 1963 March on Washington for Jobs and Freedom, where Martin Luther King made the famous “I Have a Dream” speech. Mark also taught in desegregated schools in the southern states and lived with an African American family during what became known as the Freedom Summer. This action put both his hosts and himself at risk of attack from those who did not support the campaign for Civil Rights.



Mark spent the morning with Year 10 and 11 delivering workshops that enhanced pupils knowledge of the Civil Rights movement and will support them in their learning for the USA unit that we study at GCSE. More important than that, meeting Mark was a once in life time opportunity. Very rarely do we get to experience an oral history from a person that lived through the period of history that we study. This was a true privilege for both pupils and staff. Mark spent the afternoon with primary school pupils from Christ Church, Bedford and Moston Fields Primary Schools.



Many thanks to all the pupils that took part, and for their excellent questions. To the art department for their excellent display; it really helped to welcome Mark to our school, and finally to Mark for taking the time to visit our school and provide us with such an enriching opportunity.



Mrs Langan

Here are the Hegarty Maths names:

- Year 7 — Jessica Harrington 7SE & Meghan Menagh 7RLC
- Year 8 — Fiona Zhen 8SAC & Nicole James Jenkinson 8SAC
- Year 9 — Adam Leicester 9RS & Samantha Harrington 9RM
- Year 10—Kelly Leung 10SW & Harry Edgar 10SC
- Year 11—Molly Dixon 11VSS & Georgia Preston 11TG

Here are the TT Rockstars names:

- Year 7— Jessica Harrington 7SE, Agatha Egydio 7SE & Lana Mai Robinson 7SE
- Year 8— Vincent Zhen 8AMR, Macey Macfie 8SAC & Harvey Evans 8AMR





Project: Lab Shirt

Year 7 became the first-year group to take part in Project: Lab Shirt, a homework project designed by the science department to help engage pupils creatively and imaginatively. This culminated in pupils being allowed to come to school on Thursday 24th October wearing, instead of their blazer, a lab shirt that they had designed over a four-week period.

It has to be said that the response and effort from the year group was phenomenal. Some of the designs were stunning and a number of pupils (and parents) had clearly gone to significant lengths to make their shirts stand out from the crowd. We had rockets, skeleton designs, planets, embroidered periodic tables and even mad scientists complete with test tubes in their hair!

We were fortunate enough to get the whole year group together during the day and present everyone who took part with a certificate and small prize for their efforts. There were also three special prizes awarded to Jack Gallagher, Lilia Campbell and Heidi Newall, who all came in colourful and detailed shirts, however, it must be said it was a very difficult decision to pick just three, so a huge well done to everyone. We are already looking forward to next year!

Mr Wardale





PUNCTUALITY

IF ANY OF THESE SOUND FAMILIAR THEN IT'S TIME TO FIX YOUR TIMEKEEPING!

My alarm clock exploded and I slept through it.

I was abducted by aliens - look I've got a note to prove it!

I'm fairly sure school starts at 10:00 - maybe I'm early?

The bus driver got off at the stop before mine.

5 minutes late per day,

every day of the week adds up to 3 days of lost school time.

10 minutes
=
6.5 days
lost per
school
year

15 minutes
=
10 days
lost per
school
year

20 minutes
=
13 days
lost per
school
year

30 minutes
=
19 days
lost per
school
year



WHAT TO DO THE NIGHT BEFORE



- Get everything you need for school ready.
- Set your alarm with plenty of time to spare.
- If you bring your lunch to school - make it now.
- Turn off electronic devices 30mins before sleep.
- If you use your phone before bed download a blue light filter app to look after your eyes.
- Remember that people aged 11 - 16 need 8 - 10 hours of sleep!



WHAT TO DO IN THE MORNING

- Get out of bed as soon as your alarm goes off.
- Have a shower first thing - it will wake you up!
- Have a nutritional, but quick, breakfast. Fruit, toast and healthy cereals are perfect and will give you enough energy to last to lunch time.
- Keep an eye on the clock and don't waste time.
- If you wait for friends, don't wait if they are late.
- If you're late - don't make excuses - we've heard them all before and honesty works much better!



Mrs Cross

Thought for the week



Key Dates 2019

- Remembrance Evening:** Thursday 14th November 2019
- Cinema Visit::** Wednesday 13th November-Year 8
Thursday 14th November-Year 7
Friday 15th November-Year 9 & 10
- Christmas Dinner:** Wednesday 18th December 2019
- Christmas Performance:** Wednesday 18th December 2019
7.00pm
- End of term:** Friday 20th December 2019
- Start of term:** Monday 6th January 2020

