



Dear Parents/Guardians

I am delighted to share this week’s newsletter with you, which is a real celebration of the successes of our pupils.

As you know, attendance is a real focus for us and I was delighted to be able to reward all of our pupils who had achieved 100% attendance for the Autumn Term with their red 100% attendance badges. I am passionate about pupils wearing these badges for the rest of the year and receiving the praise that they deserve from everyone in our school community.

We have also included the photos of our Lead Learners from the second half of the Autumn Term. These are the pupils who have demonstrated the very best attitude and conduct in each subject area. Again, I was delighted to reward them with their red star badges, which are a very visual celebration of their success.

If your son or daughter received a badge as part of our celebration assemblies please encourage them to wear their badge every day. Nothing makes me more proud than seeing our pupils with a lapel full of badges.

I was extremely proud of Mrs Evans and the pupils who participated in the NSPCC Number Day quiz, raising a fantastic £130.94 for the NSPCC. A special mention goes to Isobel Rogers and Kelly Leung who were our winners.

We have made some changes to our behaviour procedures at school and I would encourage you to read the back page of this week’s newsletter so that you are fully aware of these.

Well done to all pupils and their families on a fantastic week of attendance, with some of the best attendance so far this year, coming in at over 96% on some days. Well done and keep up the good work everyone.

Mrs Amanda Ryan

Year 7 & 8 Homework Art

NSPCC Number Day

During the last two weeks of last half term, pupils got involved with the NSPCC number day quiz to help raise money for the NSPCC charity. We had over 80 entries across all year groups with Isobel Rogers and Kelly Leung being our prize winners and winning £30 each. Due to the generosity of our pupils we managed to raise £130.94 which is fantastic as we had been given a target of £50. Thank you to everyone who got involved.

Mrs Evans



SMSC (Spiritual, Moral, Social & Cultural) Corner

This week’s theme: World Book week - a million stories

SMSC Focus:

Why do we need books? What can we learn from books? What role do stories play in human history? What would our world be without stories? Great literature is a mirror in which we see ourselves, and a window through which we may see the world

Career of the week

Career: Legal Secretary

Skills:

- Working as part of a team
Communicating ideas through writing
Helping customers
Paying attention to detail
Planning and organising

Average Salary: £24,440

Useful Subjects:

Maths, English, Business, ICT subjects

For more information please see www.myworldofwork.co.uk

Word of the Week

‘Vociferous’

Expressing or characterised by vehement opinions; loud and forceful.





100% Attendance Autumn Term



Year 7



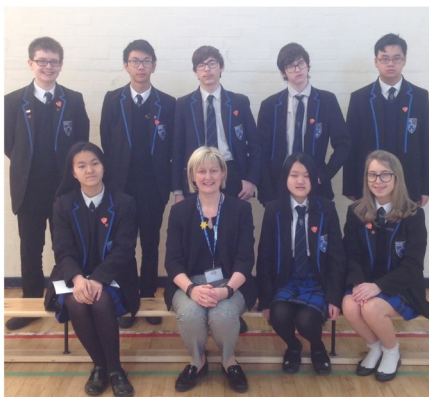
Year 8



Year 9



Year 10



Year 11

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Lead Learners—second half of Autumn Term

Year 7



Year 8



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Year 10



Year 11



A huge well done to all of these pupils who were chosen by their teachers as the top performing pupils for their subject in the second half of Autumn Term.

They represent the very best of Hillside!

Here are the Hegarty Maths names:

- Year 7 — Jessica Harrington 7SE & Brian Leung 7SE
- Year 8 — Fiona Zhen 8SAC & Ashton Beard 8AMR
- Year 9 — Afia Sekyi Armah 9MW & Samantha Harrington 9RM
- Year 10—Ellie-May McCarthy 10NR & Kelly Leung 10SW
- Year 11—Molly Dixon 11VSS & Abby Ross 11SMC

Here are the TT Rockstars names:

- Year 7— Jessica Harrington 7SE, Nathan Oyobagie 7SE & Sarah Carver 7SDo
- Year 8— Dylan Wright 8GS, Vincent Zhen 8AMR & Fiona Zhen 8SAC



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Reflection Room

I would like to take this opportunity to inform you of a new procedure at Hillside, whilst this will have little impact on the majority of pupils and whole school life, in the interest of open communication we do feel it is important to inform all parents of the changes.

In line with our whole school behaviour policy the expectation is that all pupils follow "The Hillside Way" in every lesson. If a pupil is not following 'The Hillside Way' then there are a series of steps as part of classroom behaviour management strategies that teachers will follow to support the pupil in amending their behaviour; for example speaking to the pupil or asking them to move to another seat. In the unlikely event that a pupil does not amend their behaviour, and where this is causing disruption to the teaching and learning of others, the class teacher may choose to call for assistance and ask for the pupil to be removed from the lesson.

The pupil will then be taken to our Reflection Room. Here they will work for the remainder of the that lesson and will complete a reflection sheet which asks them to outline the reason why they are out of the lesson and asks them to reflect on what they could have done differently.

The expectation is that the class teacher will contact home to discuss this with the relevant parent/guardian.

In the extreme situation where a pupil continues to demonstrate poor behaviour in our Reflection Room then there is a possibility that pupils will receive a fixed term exclusion from school.

Progress Leaders will be closely monitoring the pupils in their year group who are frequently placed in the Reflection Room. There will subsequent conversations and actions to address this.

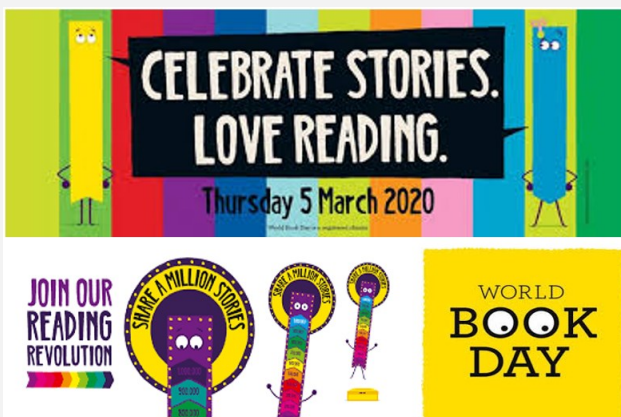
We are unwavering in the belief that every pupil has the right to learn and every teacher has the right to teach. We hope that pupils and parents/guardians see these new strategies as a further commitment to this.

If you have any questions about any aspect of the above please contact your child's Progress Leader or me.

Mrs Cross

Thought for the week

World Book Day - a million stories



Key Dates 2020

Year 11 P2S2 Assessment Weeks:

Monday 2nd March 2020 to Friday 13th March 2020

World Book Day: Thursday 5th March 2020

British Science Week: Week Commencing 9th March 2020

BSW Community Event: Thursday 12th March 2020

Curriculum Day: Friday 13th March 2020

Year 10 Parents' Evening: Thursday 19th March 2020

Last day of term: Friday 3rd April 2020

Start of Summer Term: Monday 20th April 2020

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