



Dear Parents/Guardians

I hope you are finding these newsletters helpful and that they are arriving in time for you to use the guide to home learning. I am so proud of how our pupils are trying to keep up with their learning in these most challenging of circumstances. Please remind your child to keep checking their emails for regular updates from their teachers.

It seems strange to be giving a staff update when we aren't together but I wanted parents and pupils to know that Ms Evans is pregnant, which is lovely news, and will be leaving us in September to start her maternity leave. We have appointed Mrs Wong, an experienced maths teacher who is relocating from Leeds to Liverpool to cover Ms Evans' maternity leave. I'm sure Mrs Wong will settle in well at Hillside and will be a great success.

Obviously as we aren't together we are texting home more than ever and this is at a significant cost; if we can communicate with families via the 'MyED' school app we can make a financial saving. We haven't used the app recently and understandably many parents have stopped engaging with it. If I could ask for your support in downloading the app and starting to check it regularly we can revert to this as our main means of communication with families. Please ensure we have your most up to date mobile number, if it has changed please ring the school office or email admin@hillsidehigh.co.uk and let us know.

These continue to be uncertain times for us all and following government announcements this week, we know very little more about when secondary age pupils will return to school. Obviously the Prime Minister has mentioned trying to get Year 10 pupils in front of their teachers before the summer holidays and this is something we hope can happen, once we know it is safe and the right time to do so. I know many of our parents will have Year 6 children who are transferring to Hillside in September and again, we are keen to offer them the best transition package we can in these circumstances. I will keep you updated via this newsletter, the website, twitter and the app as we know more.

Mrs Amanda Ryan

Hello Year 7,

I can't believe it's been so long since I last saw you. I really hope you and your families are all keeping well and that you are coping with this unusual state of affairs. It has been lovely receiving emails from some of you, and in some cases having a chat on the phone. Keep up the good work and remember to always do the best you can. Keep your minds and bodies healthy, be kind to your families and hopefully it will all be over soon.

Missing you all dreadfully. Stay safe and alert.

Mrs Harper

Hillside Heroes Calling all staff, pupils and parents to 'Nominate Your Lockdown Hero'

Who is your lockdown hero?

Perhaps someone in your house who has really helped you through the last few months?

A family member who is a keyworker and has worked hard to keep the family going as well?

Maybe a pupil who has produced some great work and been really engaged with their home learning?

Send your nomination and the reason via email to winner@hillsidehigh.co.uk by Monday 18th May



2 winners will be picked from each year group with the chance of winning Amazon Vouchers for the family- Winners announced 22/05



Year 7—Weekly Timetable

Subject	Year Group	This week you will be learning about ...	To help you can use...	This week you should spend a maximum time of ...
English	7	Oak National Academy. Minos, the minotaur and Achilles- Week 4 Non-fiction writing exploring pet ownership.	Oak National Academy – link sent by Miss Owen. Powerpoint sent by Miss Owen	2 hours 1 hour
Maths	7	Directed Numbers.	Hegarty Maths, TT Rockstars, Corbett Maths, BBC Daily Lessons.	4 hours
Science	7	Key Scientific Ideas	Knowledge organisers on Hillside Website – using the slides 2 – 8, construct sentences from the statements and explanations about each key area. Use the key words lists, also in the folder, to help with understanding.	3 hours
Art	7	Abstract Art.	Research an Abstract artist you like and create a page about them. Draw out one of their pieces of work. www.ducksters.com/history/art/abstract_art	1 hour
Computer Science	7	Continue working on your Scratch projects. Answer the questions in your home learning book.	Scratch online.	30 minutes
DT	7	Timber types and their properties.	Use www.technologystudent.com to research timber properties. Produce a research document of your choice showing your findings.	1 hour
Drama	7	Captain James Hook and deciding what type of character he is.	The information on the support resource as well as watching the play again https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7VW9Ftjz4A	30 minutes
Geography	7	Food webs and the structure of the Tropical Rainforest.	The information on pages 7-9 of the Environment and Ecosystems work booklet as well as the overview clip on Food Webs : https://youtu.be/bvqN9H3QtTQ	1 hour
Music	7 & 8	Work through the 30 Day Music Challenges, using your Home Learning Book to note down your ideas. Try to play your keyboard, ukulele, or guitar every day using the resources available on YouTube to guide your learning.	BBC Bitesize. YouTube	30 mins
RS	7	The Universal Declaration of Human Rights.	The information and video links contained in pages 1-3 of the work booklet (this can be found in the subject resources, RS folder). You can also explore this link: https://www.youthforhumanrights.org/what-are-human-rights/universal-declaration-of-human-rights/articles-1-15.html	40 minutes
History	7	The reformation in Europe and changes made to the church.	Their learning can be supported using the worksheets emailed, booklets in school, BBC Bitesize and Seneca Learning. A direct link is attached for BBCBitesize https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/guides/zrpcwmn/revision/1	2 hours
PE	7	Fitness – Strength, reaction time, coordination, cardiovascular endurance, agility, speed, power,	Log on to Youtube and type in the hashtag ‘ThisIsPE These are videos by PE teachers across the country focusing on different components of fitness you have been doing in lessons this year at Hillside.	30 mins at a time
Dance	7	How to perform in the style of Justin Bieber to his latest song “Yummy”	Youtube – type in dance tutorial Justin Bieber / MihranTV	30 mins
MFL	7	Family and pets	Using this link, https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zfgt6v4/articles/zfryxyc , go to BBC bitesize and watch the videos/complete the tasks	30 mins