



Dear Parents/Guardians

As we approach the end of the strangest half term ever I hope you are all keeping safe and well. I really value using the newsletter to communicate with you and I hope it gives you a small piece of 'normal' in your life!

In terms of keeping in touch, I hope all of our pupils have watched the short 'Elbow' film of some of the staff here at Hillside saying 'hello'.

If anyone is struggling to cope; which would be totally understandable in these circumstances, please see the helpline numbers included here and don't hesitate to use them.

Thank you to all of the parents who have started to engage with the 'MyED' school app. 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. We must have your up to date mobile number: if you think this needs updating please ring the school office or email admin@hillsidehigh.co.uk to inform us.

On Friday we should break up for half term and although living in lockdown means it will be nothing like a normal holiday from school I would encourage you all to take a break from your school work. I recently read an article which spoke about using this time to learn new skills and to build our resilience in coping with change. If you follow us in Twitter and Instagram there are many examples of you, and the Hillside staff, doing this, which is brilliant and please continue to send us your photos - we really enjoy seeing what you are doing.

Please the note the Home Learning Weekly Timetable is for the first week back after half-term (week starting 1st June 2020).

The uncertainty around school returning continues; although I am sure all families have realised that any return for pupils in Year 7-9 before the summer holiday is extremely unlikely. We are busy planning to allow our Year 10 pupils some kind of return to school before the summer but guidance for this is changing almost daily and I will communicate the plan with Year 10 parents as soon as possible.

Please keep safe, take care and enjoy half term next week.



Mrs Amanda Ryan

Hillside Praise for Pupils



Our Home Learning Stars for week 8 are:

TIMES TABLES ROCKSTARS

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Year 7
Jessica H
Bluebell E
Nathan O

Year 8
Liam B
Kelsey T
Nikos C

Year 7
Jessica H
Emma L
Alfie D

Year 8
Fiona Z
Macey M
Ashton B

Year 9
Adam L
Samantha H
James W

Year 10
Johnnie A
Harry E
Kelly L

Year 11
Declan B
Calli W
Ahmad A

Hello Year 7,

I hope you are all well and adjusting to your temporary lifestyle. For those of you who have access to Twitter and Instagram, make the most of catching up with the staff at Hillside and read some of the interesting articles that have been commented upon by your peers; maybe even make a suitable comment yourself. Kind remarks go a long way and can brighten a person's day, it's certainly made me smile on more than one occasion. Also, remember that email is a great way to communicate with me and other members of staff. Some of you have already sent me wonderful messages; this really cheers up my day. Keep up the hard work Year 7 and remember I'm here for you if you need me. Stay safe!

Mrs Harper





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	What if animals could talk?	Read the news article from 'The Day' found in the folder and complete the 'You Decide' questions. Complete the additional worksheet, also in the folder.	3 hours
Art	7	Line	Follow the instructions on the extra home learning resource to develop a page on line. (For more guidance google search line definition art)	1 hour
Computer Science	7	Retro gaming and how gaming has developed.	A news article link has been emailed to you.	30 minutes
DT	7	Drawing techniques	Use www.technologystudent.com to research isometric projection and attempt the worksheet examples.	1 hour
Drama	7	Creating your own Neverland! You have design task that will help you explore your dreams and fantasies aptain 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	Human Uses of the Tropical Rainforest.	The information on pages 10-12 of the Environment and Ecosystems work booklet as well as the overview clip on 'How to preserve the Tropical Rainforest' https://youtu.be/OUNPGIjbJvc	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	1 hour
RS	7	Prejudice and discrimination.	The information and video links contained in pages 5-7 of the work booklet (this can be found in the subject resources, RS folder). You can consult the answer page on page 8 of the booklet for further support and guidance for you and your child.	30 minutes
History	7	The reign of Mary Tudor	Pupils will complete an enquiry into Mary's treatment of Protestants and make a judgement upon whether she deserves the nickname 'Bloody Mary'. To support this learning, pupils can use this direct link to BBC bitesize. https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/guides/zrpcwmn/revision/5 To support their learning there will also be work set on Seneca Learning.	2 hours
PE	7	Fitness – Strength, coordination, cardiovascular endurance, agility, speed, power, reaction time.	PE 'Bop It' – Use the video to help you set up and create your own PE version of 'Bop It.'	15 mins at a time
Dance	7	How to perform in the style of Beyonce, to the song "Crazy in Love"	Youtube – type in Learn to dance like Beyonce Crazy in Love – workitJanet.	1 hour
MFL	7	Describing people	Using this link, https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zfgt6v4/articles/zkmwgvx , go to BBC bitesize and watch the videos/complete the tasks on describing yourself and others.	30 mins