



Dear Parents/Guardians

Welcome back to a new half-term. It feels strange saying that when we aren't together, but the sentiment remains the same. Our pupils still have much to achieve this half-term and with the hard work and resilience lots of them have shown so far I know they will give their 'Home Learning' their very best.

This half-term's Home Learning can be found by following the link on the website or, if it's easier, collecting hard copies from the school office. Your child's teachers will be emailing them every Monday to set out their work, so please ensure that your child is engaging with their emails.

You may have noticed that your child's Progress Leader is now ringing every two weeks rather than weekly. This decision has been made in response to feedback from parents but I would stress that you must not hesitate to ring your child's Progress Leader if you need to talk to them. You should have their mobile number, but we have included them here just in case.

Once again, a huge thank you to all of the parents who have started to engage with the 'MyED' school app. Can I ask for your support in downloading the app and starting to check it regularly so we can revert to this as our main means of communication with families. We must have your up-to-date mobile number so if you think this needs updating please ring the school office or email admin@hillsidehigh.co.uk to inform us.

Please keep safe and take care.

Mrs Amanda Ryan

Hello Year 8,

I hope that you and your loved ones are all safe and well and that you enjoyed a break from your home learning last week during a very different 'half term'! I cannot quite believe that this week is the first week of your last half term as Year 8 pupils. I am sure that you will agree when I say that this is not quite the school year that any of us imagined it would be but the resilience and maturity you have shown throughout this situation has been remarkable so you should all feel immensely proud of yourselves. Once again, it has been lovely speaking to your parents and carers and hearing about how much help and support you have been giving them at home. I am really proud of you all Year 8, so keep up the good work! I am also really looking forward to seeing some more examples of your completed home learning on the school Twitter and Instagram accounts so please continue to submit your work so we can show everyone how amazing you are!

Take care of yourself and your loved ones, stay safe and keep going!

Miss Doran

Progress Leader's

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Year 8—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	8	Literacy retrieval: apostrophes for possession & omission. Reading analysis: Exploring how Roald Dahl creates a character.	Pages 2 – 5 of the new home learning work-pack. Read the literacy recap on Page 2, and complete tasks on Page 3. Read the extract on Page 4, complete the questions on Page 4 and 5.	2 hours
Maths	8	Directed Numbers	Hegarty Maths, TT Rockstars, Corbett Maths, BBC Daily Lessons	4 hours
Science	8	The dangerous world of smart drugs	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	8	Proportion of features	Complete page 2 in your new home learning booklet. There are plenty of videos on YouTube to support you in your drawings.	1 hour
Computer Science	8	How images are represented using binary. Complete the tasks in the booklet then check your answers.	Your teacher will email you a link.	30 mins
DT	8	Paper and board	Use www.technologystudent.com to help you work through the booklet on 'paper and board' found on the school website.	1 hour
Drama	8	Developing a photo storyboard.	The resources from your emails or in the home learning folder.	30 mins
Geography	8	Geography and Our World	The information from Lesson 1 – Geography and Our World on pages 5-8 from the Becoming an Expert Geographer booklet. <i>Extension - log onto Seneca and take part in the OS Maps assignment. To join Year 8 type in the class code: o2cc1qrvm</i>	1 hour
Music	7 & 8	Work through the 2 nd 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	8	Jesus' life and teachings (web-based learning) OR the Creation Story (booklet-based learning)	This lesson is to be completed through the Oak National Academy link - https://www.thenational.academy/year-8/religion/christianity-3-jesus-life-and-teachings-year-8-wk3-1 If you are not able to access Oak National Academy, please collect a booklet from the school and complete pages 5&6.	30 mins
History	8	Women and the Vote.	Using your work booklet complete the tasks set. How did women win the right to vote? Page 76-78. Complete history dictionary on page 76 and read the information. Use page 77 and 78 complete the famous women in history task. Using pages 79-81 read through the information and complete the tasks.	2 hours
PE	8	Fitness – Strength, coordination, cardiovascular endurance, agility, speed, power, reaction time.	Watch the video in the link regarding a healthy, nutritious breakfast. Simeon Panda is a health and fitness guru on Instagram. In this video he will show you how to make a breakfast that is good for you, tasty and gives you something new to try. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2tF3ddR81V4 Log on to Youtube and type in the hashtag 'ThisIsPE	5 mins
Dance	8	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	8	Holidays in Spain	To complement the booklet on the website on holidays, research what there is to see and do in for tourists in Barcelona. You can include pictures/drawings. Send us a picture of your work!	1 hour