



HILLSIDE HIGH SCHOOL

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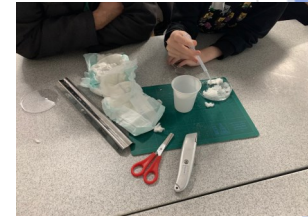
EXCELLENCE IN
THE HEART OF
THE COMMUNITY

Friday 15th October 2021

Dear Parents/Guardians

As promised I am delighted to share with you more information about last week's Community Space Week event. This was an amazing evening and it was lovely to join together as a community to learn lots of new things and see our children enjoying a range of Science, Technology and Maths activities.

Mrs Amanda Ryan, Principal



Reminders

School finishes on
Thursday
21st October
for half term

Inside this week's
Newsletter you will find
details of our extensive
'Extra -Curricular' offer.
Please encourage your
child to be involved!

Space Week - Over 80 Recruits Graduate from Hillside Space Academy!

Wow! What a return for our first community STEM night. Just under 100 members of our local community from pupils in Year 1, right up to grandparents attended the event and worked together as family teams to complete challenges set in maths, science and technology.

The event began with an opportunity to fly a drone and have a go at 'cracking the code' with our Computer Science team. This was followed by a short presentation to celebrate the theme 'Women in Space' delivered by Mrs Wardale, and then an introduction to Professor Edwards who led the recruits to their challenges (with a little help from our prefects and our visiting astronaut).

The challenges included problem solving in maths, making and launching rockets and dissecting a nappy. This community night was even more special, after the impact of COVID and the isolation many people have felt, it was a joy to see families having fun together in a safe environment. The end of the evening saw our recruits graduate from Hillside Space Academy and enjoy some well-deserved chocolate.

Thank you to all pupils, parents and staff who supported the event, we hope you all had fun. We are looking forward to our next annual STEM event in March to mark British Science Week.

Mrs Wardale





ES8

- Bag**
- Pen & Pencil**
- Pencil case**
- Ruler**
- Timetable**
- Calculator**
- Drama / PE Kit**
- Water bottle (clearly labelled)**



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National Literacy 'Take 10'

On Friday 8th October our Year 7 pupils took part in the National Literacy Trust's 'Take 10' initiative – to spend 10 minutes reading to help improve our well-being. You can also see how fabulous Year 7 look in their lab coats! The National Literacy Trust say, 'Our research shows us that reading can be an effective way of helping people take care of their mental health and wellbeing - and it only takes 10 minutes a day to see the benefits'

Reading every day can help everyone - children, young people and adults,

- Relax, unwind and boost our mood.
- Escape from the pressures of life and reduce their stress levels.
- Improve our memory and concentration.

A big thank you to Mr Kitching and his form for being our social media stars! Please encourage your child to read for 10 minutes a day. If you would like any help or further information please contact Ms Hind in the English Department.

Ms Hind



Project Lab Shirt

Year 7 became only the second ever 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 in on Friday 8th October without having to wear their blazer but instead, a lab shirt that they had designed over a four-week period, to coincide with our World Space Week celebrations. 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 3D planet designs, DNA molecules, chemical reactions, periodic tables and plenty of fantastically mad scientists.

We were fortunate enough to get the whole year group together to take part in the Hillside Space Station Challenge. Working in groups, pupils were provided with just spaghetti and marshmallows and tasked with designing the tallest space station they could in just 25 minutes. The results were varied it has to be said, but the effort, enthusiasm and teamwork was outstanding resulting in us choosing two winning teams who each received a trophy for their work. We were also fortunate enough to be able to award some individual prizes for lab shirt designs; Oskar Karpiak, Xavier Karpiak, Michael Pealing, Lillie Carrol, Tia Leicester, Ruby Murray, Sophie Parsonage and Sophie Lamb all came in colourful, creative and detailed shirts, so congratulations to them. However, it must be said it was a very difficult decision to pick just eight winners so a huge well done to everyone. We are already looking forward to next year!

Mr Wardale



Primary UKMT Event

On Tuesday 12th October we had the pleasure of welcoming budding mathematicians from 5 of our local primary schools: Arnot St Marys, Springwell Park, Christ Church, St Francis de Sales and St Margaret's Anfield. The LRC was transformed into a 'University Challenge' style arena with refreshments at the ready to keep their brains working. The 4 pupils from each school competed in their teams on a variety of maths problems including a relay and a cross number – it was very tense! A fantastic time was had by all involved and all teams managed to get amazing total scores but Christ Church came out on top. A big 'Thank You' to all of the pupils and staff for getting stuck in during the morning and also to Fiona in Year 10 for helping out – especially during the relay!

Miss Christian



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VIRTUAL ONLINE OPEN EVENING

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www.onlineopenevening.co.uk/hillsidehigh



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FIND YOUR BEST SIDE AT HILLSIDE

Extra-Curricular Activities

Hillside High School Extra-Curricular Activities

For all year groups unless specified

Monday	
Netball Training	Football Training (Years 7, 10 & 11)
Girls Football	Music - Strings
English Club (Years 7 & 8)	
Tuesday	
Enterprise Club (Years 7, 8 & 9)	Gaming Club
Football Training (Years 8 & 9)	Netball Fixtures
Design Technology (Years 7, 8 & 9)	Music - Guitar
French Conversation (Week 2 only)	Science Club (Years 7 & 8)
Maths (Chess & Darts—Years 7, 8, 9 & 10)	
Wednesday	
Basketball (Years 7, 8 & 9)	Art (Years 7, 8 & 9)
Music - Choir	Drama Club
Hillside Games (every 2/3 weeks dates TBC)	
Thursday	
Music - Instrumentalists	
Friday	
Badminton	

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Dates for your Diary

- 21st October - Term ends
- 1st November - Start of Term
- 11th November - Remembrance Evening
- 12th November - World Kindness Day
- 15th November - Success in Year 10 Evening



TT Rockstars

A massive well done to our TT Rockstars this week, they are:

Year 7:
 Jacob Williams 7SW
 Sophia Hanlon Johnson 7SW
 Kenneth Hampson 7SW

Year 8:
 Lola Taylor 8GW
 Kiera Cooke 8THE
 Callum Pollard 8THE

Miss Christian

Competition

YEAR 7&8 HALLOWEEN
 COLOURING AND DRAWING COMPETITION

You can either colour in one of the Halloween themed images or draw your own!

Entries must be given to Miss White or Miss Murphy by Wednesday 20th October

Winners will be announced on Thursday 21st October

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Hegarty Maths

Top pupils for the week



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| HaiYing Xue | Nathan Da Silva |
| Sophie Lamb | Jessica McDonald |
| Jessica Harrington | Deighan Hugo |
| Amy Weston | Mia Lunt |
| Hannah Watson | Harry Dagnall |
| Shauna-Leigh Edwards | Jacob Williams |
| Caitlin Alcock | Rebecca Jacobs |
| Kaitlyn Hoban | Rhys Deaves |
| Emma Tinsley | Abigail Tinsley |
| Chloe Fleming | Abbie Thorley |
| Jessica Parry | Kacey Jensen |

GCSE Pod For KS4

TOP PODDERS

Julia K, Year 10 - 50

HaiYing X, Year 7 - 35

Afia S, Year 11 - 33

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GCSE Pod For KS4

DIAMOND LEAGUE

Kemi A, Year 11 - 53

HaiYing X, Year 7 - 34

Louise I, Year 11 - 31

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GCSE Pod For KS4

QUESTIONS ANSWERED ?

Kemi A, Year 11 - 28

Louise I, Year 11 - 28

HaiYing X, Year 7 - 24

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Top Podders are the pupils who have streamed the most pods.
Questions Answered are the pupils who attempted the most questions.
Diamond League - are the pupils who have answered with the most accurate knowledge, the more correct responses, the more diamonds.

Remind yourself of 'The Hillside Way' and what is expected of every pupil every day...

This week in assembly Mrs Cross has been reminding pupils about 'Standards and Expectations'. The emphasis has been around all pupils following 'The Hillside Way' all the time. As we head towards the end of the first half term, we felt it timely that pupils were reminded about the basics.

Key things were mentioned, reminding pupils of how to get the best from their lessons and to ensure that every teacher has the right to teach, and every pupil has the right to learn. Pupils were also reminded of the need to arrive to all lessons on time and to ensure that they go to the toilet at break and lunch and not during lessons unless in a real emergency. Pupils were also reminded that they need a school bag big enough for an A4 folder every day along with their Essential 8.

Finally, reminders were given about uniform and our expectations in terms of wearing full school uniform and not wearing outdoor coats indoors and no jewellery including stud earrings.

Most of our pupils work tirelessly to meet our high expectations to ensure that they follow 'The Hillside Way' every day.

What can pupils expect from each lesson?

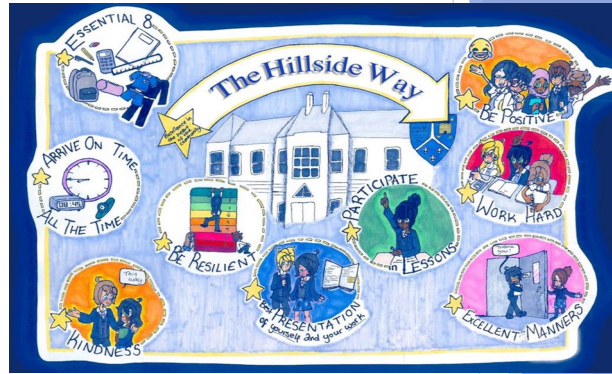
- Your teacher will greet you at the door of every lesson and monitor the behaviour on the corridor outside of their classroom.
- You will stand behind your chair and wait to be seated, when you sit down get your pencil case out and be ready for learning.
- You will sit in the seating plan that the teacher has created.
- At the end of the lesson you will be asked to stand behind your chair before being dismissed orderly

These are non-negotiables.

What do we want for our school?

- A school where there is mutual respect between pupils/pupils and pupils/staff
- A school where every pupil has the right to learn and every teacher has the right to teach.

Mrs Cross



Behaviour in the local Community



We would like to remind all pupils about their conduct on the way to and from school and how they interact with members of the community. On rare occasions we will receive complaints from residents about the way in which a minority of pupils behave and this leaves us disappointed. We pride ourselves in the fact that most of our pupils behave in an exemplary way both within school and the local community.

As a school we would like to remind pupils that our 'Behaviour for Learning Policy' does stress that we will deal with any anti-social behaviour from our pupils both on the way to and from school, when wearing our school uniform pupils are representing Hillside High School and we will not have our reputation compromised by any inappropriate behaviour.

Community Police- School's Officer

We would like to remind parents/guardians and pupils that we have a Safer School's Police Officer allocated to Hillside as part of Merseyside Police Community offer. PC **Natalie Fitzgerald** will be working with Hillside and will be in school every Tuesday to support the work of the pastoral team and provide some support with Personal Development and Careers. This work might include group work and or some individual work depending on the situation, we will of course let families know if your child is to be involved in any small group or individual work. PC **Fitzgerald** will be around school at break and lunch time and will work encouraging positive relationships with pupils and being a familiar face around both school and within the local community. If you would like any further information or like to take any advice from PC Jeffers then please contact your child's Progress Leader.

Mrs Cross

Community Event

