



HILLSIDE HIGH SCHOOL

WADE DEACON TRUST

Friday 15th July 2022

Dear Parents/Guardians,

As I write this message I am still buzzing from watching our school production of Hairspray...as they say 'You can't stop the beat' and that was certainly true in our hall last night. Seeing the audience on their feet singing and dancing along to the performers was just so special. The talent of all of these performers was exceptional, seeing how the pupils from Year 7 to 11 have come together to work on this fanatic production summaries everything 'Team Hillside' is about. Without a doubt the cast have formed friendships which will last long after Hairspray finishes. I can not thank the Performing Arts Team enough for their hard work and dedication which made this possible.

We strive for 'Excellence in the Heart of the Community' and take our place in the community extremely seriously. In practice this means events like Hairspray and last week's Community Evening are so important. We believe in investing in our community and there is nothing we like more than welcoming members of our community to Hillside.

Just a reminder we finish for the summer holidays next Wednesday. Please see finish times below.

Amanda Ryan, Principal

Hillside Carnival

Last Wednesday Hillside celebrated its 90th Birthday in style by welcoming our local community to our Carnival. What an evening it was! Families were queuing down the road to join us in our celebration. There were circus performers, donkey rides, carnival games, candy floss and of course the giant helter skelter slide. We shouldn't forget the Lounge Room Lizards who also joined us with their amazing animal show and our Samba band that created the carnival vibe. There was an incredible buzz around school with all the excitement and it was fantastic to see the community together having so much fun. Thank you to everyone who joined us!

Mrs Collins



HILLFEST 2022

We are very excited to announce that we will be running our own music festival Hillfest, again for the end of term celebrations. Pupils will have the opportunity to hear live musical performances from the artists Livvy K and Luke McQuillan, take part in Hillside's version of Bingo, enter a team for the football tournament and all pupils will receive a free ice cream! There will be a snack stalls on the day serving hot dogs and drinks so pupils can bring in a small amount of money for these items. Pupils will be charged £1 for a wristband and they are able to wear their own clothes – festival themed if they wish! Please keep your fingers crossed for good weather! Pupils will be dismissed as per the plan below.

End of term
Wednesday 20th July finishing times

Year 7—11:30am
Year 8—11:50am
Year 9—12.00 noon
Year 10—11:40am

HILLSIDE HIGH SCHOOL PRESENTS

HILLFEST 2022

TWO STAGES LIVE MUSIC

FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT FREE ICE CREAM

SUMMER

BINGO SNACK STALL

WRISTBANDS - £1

WEDNESDAY 20TH JULY

GATES OPEN 8.45AM

Hegarty Maths



Top pupils for this week

Jessica Harrington
 Xavier Karpiak
 William Okoro Iwuchukwu
 HaiYing Xue
 Brian Leung
 Sarah McDonnell
 Joseph Cook
 Andrew Kelly
 Rhys Deaves
 Louisa Fearon

Jake Dickinson
 Emanuel Raimi Raimi
 Nelson Osazuwa
 Kane Durkin
 Harry Dagnall
 Sophia Hanlon Johnson
 Caitlin Alcock
 Ethan Magee-White
 Abigail Tinsley
 Zainalabedeem Dashti

Mr Pattison

TT Rockstars

A massive well done to our

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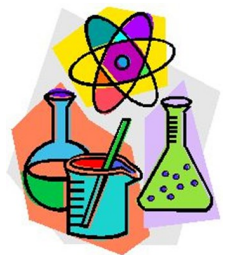
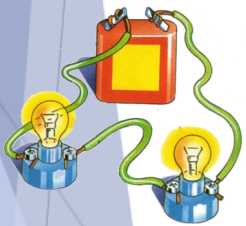
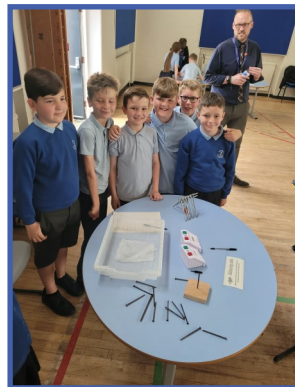
this week, they are:

Jacob Williams 7SW
 Hai Ying Xue—7SW
 Tia Leicester—7LJ
 Joshua Williams -8TH
 Kimberley Hughes—CSY
 Tilly Wallace—8TH

Science Olympics

On Tuesday 12th July we hosted our "Science Olympics" here at Hillside. Over one hundred Year 4 and 5 pupils from Bedford Primary School attended the event. This celebration of science included a number of scientific challenges, requiring the pupils to utilise their knowledge, skills, logic and teamwork to complete the tasks successfully. The challenges included nine activities including; Spaghetti towers, Pendulums, Bridge building and a science quiz. The pupils were placed into teams of six and provided with a score card and a "Ask the Expert" joker card. Each challenge was managed by members of our Year 8, they maintained the pace, interest and passion for each task brilliantly. The Year 8 experts also provided support and when required imparted knowledge and tips to the groups to overcome any problems with the task. The teams where allocated ten minutes for each challenge and a score was recorded before they moved to the next task. This proved to be quite competitive. In the end we had two winning teams "Big MacBrains" and "Katlyn's Year 5 Team" Well done to everybody involved, it was great to see so many young people embracing the joys of science. We look forward to running this event next year!

Mr Code



GCSE Pods

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.

GCSE Pod For KS4
TOP PODDERS
Anita L, Year 7 - 176
HaiYing X, Year 7 - 56
Yexian H, Year 7 - 54
Excellence in the Heart of the City

GCSE Pod For KS4
DIAMOND LEAGUE
Nathan D, Year 7 - 100
Anita L, Year 7 - 33
Excellence in the Heart of the City

GCSE Pod For KS4
QUESTIONS ANSWERED ?
Nathan D, Year 7 - 62
Anita L, Year 7 - 30
Excellence in the Heart of the City

And that's a Wrap!



*** YOU CAN'T STOP *
* THE BEAT ***

What a journey we have been on this term in the Performing Arts Department! Our summer production of Hairspray is the biggest production we have done as a school to date, and our pupils certainly rose to the challenge. Twelve weeks of solid after school rehearsals resulted in two fantastic shows where Bootle got to see the best musical theatre talent Hillside has to offer. I'm sure anyone who was in the audience would agree, we certainly have some major talent amongst the pupils in our school and no doubt some stars of the future. Some pupils tread the boards for the first time, whilst others were performing in their final show as part of their Hillside journey. Pupils from all year groups came together to create a cast that supported and nurtured each other's talents and it was truly heart warming to see. The long and tiring hours were worth it once it all came together and you could not have done yourselves any prouder. A huge congratulations to all of the cast on your achievement, I am so proud of you all! It's time for a well-earned break before our next production, what should we move onto next? "You gotta think big to be big!"

Miss Brown



Allotment

Over the last two weeks, in response to school council feedback, Hillside pupils have helped to create our very own allotment space where we can grow our own vegetables. Alongside Jen Burrows, who is a specialist in this area, Hillside pupils have helped to create planters, broke ground to create useable spaces to plant and harvest our own produce in a step towards being more sustainable as a school. A big thank you to Mr Flynn and the site team for their help in cutting and assembling the planters for pupils to utilise. All pupils involved have been fantastic and have really involved themselves in the manual work needed to set up this space. It is a very exciting project and one that has further opportunities for our pupils over the next academic year.

Mr Smith



Anfield



This week, Year 9 and 10 pupils have had the opportunity to visit Anfield, the home of Liverpool Football Club to harness transferable skills such as communication and enterprise. The visit was hosted by an ex-Hillside colleague who fed back that the pupils were fantastic and engaged with the sessions with enthusiasm and commitment. Pupils even had the chance to see some of the trophies the club has won over the years and had photo opportunities within the ground. We hope to continue this link with the LFC Foundation over the coming years to enhance our pupils' experiences and build on their employability skills and opportunities.

Mr Smith

The Boat of Hope

On Tuesday 19th July, we have the Boat of Hope coming to Hillside. Determined to make a difference, 63 year old Liverpoolian and adventurer Bernie Hollywood OBE is taking on the Talisker Whisky Atlantic Challenge in 2022 in support of mental health charity Samaritans and British Rowing Charitable Foundation, LOVE Rowing. Bernie's endeavour will be a beacon of hope to any young people who have faced mental health difficulties. His journey across the Atlantic in a Rannoch Adventure R10 solo rowing boat will act as a powerful metaphor for life's highs and lows, ups and downs.

As those who have undertaken this challenge will know, the gruelling row will push Bernie to extremes physically and mentally. But in his quest to help raise over £1 million for both of his chosen charities, it's a trial he is willing to face. Bernie is bringing the 'boat of hope' in which he will be rowing over 3000 miles of ocean, into school for our pupils to see. Each class will have an assembly in the morning with Bernie and then have an opportunity to visit the boat that will be on our front field to explore and discuss the Science, Technology, engineering and Maths included in it's design and manufacture. Keep your eye on social media pages for more images of the day.



Mr Smith

Safeguarding, Emotional Wellbeing and Mental Health

Summer Safeguarding Policy—Summer Activities/Advice for Parents

With summer fast approaching, you'll be thinking about the activities your children could get involved in during the school holidays so you can enjoy a few extra hours of freedom. But you'll also want to make sure your children are safe.

There are thousands of activities taking place in venues across Liverpool and Sefton. Please see websites below for further information about what is on where.

What activities are on offer? (sefton.gov.uk)

Summer holiday 2022 activities - Liverpool City Council

There are lots of activities organised by other people, including volunteers, which children and young people can get involved in. These activities can really help with children's development, help them make new friends, gain confidence and learn new skills.

Most of the people leading these activities have children's best interests at heart, but it's not essential for all activity leaders to undergo safeguarding training to properly care for and be aware of any problems your child may have.

Questions to ask – Remember C.H.E.C.K

Abuse can take place in a variety of situations. It's important parents and carers are aware of some of the checks they may want to make before their child starts an activity, and that activity leaders know about their responsibilities.

Keep them safe in activities this summer. It's okay to C.H.E.C.K with the people leading the activity:

C- Are you **confident** they have the right qualifications to lead the activity?

H- Do they have a **history** of delivering activities?

E- Are they **experienced** in running activities for children and young people?

C- Have they undergone any necessary police **checks**?

K- Do they have a good **knowledge** of their safeguarding responsibilities?

Remember, you can ask to see evidence if you are unsure.

Reporting Concerns in Sefton

If you are worried that a child may be suffering significant harm, or if you are concerned that a child has suffered harm, neglect or abuse, please follow the advice below.

Members of the public can:

- Call **0345 140 0845** between 8am and 6pm (minicom 0151 934 4657).
- Contact the emergency duty team on **0151 934 3555** for urgent advice outside of office hours (from 5.30pm Mon to Thurs, and 4pm Friday and weekends). If you think a child is in immediate danger call for police assistance.

For Emergency Services please dial 999.

Please see following link for more information or to make a referral to children's services

<https://www.sefton.gov.uk/social-care/children-and-young-people/report-a-child-or-young-person-at-risk.aspx>

