



HILLSIDE HIGH SCHOOL

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Friday 9th September 2022

Dear Parents/Guardians,

It has been a pleasure to welcome all pupils and staff back to school. We have had a great start to the academic year. A record number of Year 7 pupils have joined us in Year 7 and they are settling in so well.

I don't think there has ever been a more exciting start to the school, year. We have come back celebrating the record breaking results achieved in the Summer by our Year 11 pupils. These results saw us improve significantly in all headline measures, with pupils achieving results I know will set them up to go on to achieve great things.

The school building has a total new look with vinyls on every corridor, which give us a modern feel but more importantly reflect how important the curriculum is to us as a school. We are unwavering that our pupils experience the best lessons and choices about the curriculum, what we cover and how it is covered are key to this. Please take the time to ask your child about the changes...I hope they are as pleased as I am with our new look.

Amanda Ryan, Principal



Year 11 Results



Hillside's class of 2022 have achieved exceptional, record breaking results that truly reflect their talents, hard work and commitment.

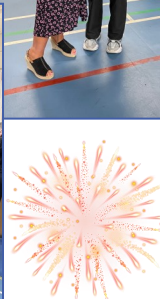
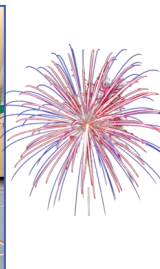
They have worked exceptionally hard to achieve their superb results and have shown resilience, adaptability and determination.

There were many outstanding individual performances, including Oluwakemi Akeredolu, who achieved nine grade 9s across the board, and Ewelina Gryszka who achieved four grade 9s and four grade 8s. Luke Fearon achieved seven grade 8s and Eleanor Cane achieved three grade 9s and two grade 8s.

Over a third of Hillside pupils achieved at least one of the top grades across their subjects, with 82 grade 9s and 8s achieved overall.

Across the curriculum there have been some excellent results. Over 90% of pupils entered achieved 9-4 grades in Chemistry, Business, Art, 3D Art, and 100% of pupils entered for Physics achieved 9-4 grades! Performance in English and Maths has improved again this year with record breaking outcomes in these key qualifications.

Principal Amanda Ryan said "We are extremely proud of the results our Year 11 have achieved this year. Their hard work and efforts in preparing for and completing their examinations, coupled with the support of parents and teachers has allowed them to achieve results to help them make their next steps in learning. It has been a privilege to have worked with these young people and as a school we are so proud of their successes and wish them all of the best as they pursue new courses in the future."



My Ed School App

We are pleased to announce we have recently updated and refreshed our school App to allow us to communicate and share information with you, our parent community. MyEd is the free app that provides you with a multitude of communication and information features to stay in touch with what is going on at school. The app provides you direct access to your child's attendance, timetable, absence records and much more. You will also be able to see that we update and change the information in the app as the school year moves along. You can go to www.myedschoolapp.com to view a short video about the app.

The MyEd App is available for both iOS and Android devices and can be found using the links below:

1. Go to your App Store
2. Search for MyEd
3. Download the app for free!

Once you have installed and opened the MyEd app, search for Hillside High School and follow the simple instructions to identify yourself. The app matches the data you enter (phone number and email) with the information about you we have saved on the school system so please ensure that you update us with any changes. If you are unable to connect to your child's account - contact the school office who can check the data we have for you on our system.

We hope you enjoy using the app and find it a useful source of information.



Standards and Expectations—School Uniform

Firstly, a huge thank you to all our parents/guardians and pupils who continue to look smart and wear our school uniform with pride every single day. We don't take this for granted and we still regularly receive compliments from the wider local community about how smart Hillside pupils look.

Please see below for some basic reminders regarding school uniform and our expectations.

- Girls should wear white socks or black tights
- Jewellery is not permitted including any piercings. If pupils are seen wearing jewellery the teacher will confiscate this and the item will be placed in the school safe.
- Make- up should be minimal and discreet and false eye lashes, false nails and or nail varnish should not be worn. Pupils will be provided with wipes and nail varnish remover if they arrive in school with either.
- Blazers should be always worn on the corridors – pupils may remove blazers when working in classrooms.
- Outdoor coats or hooded jackets are not allowed to be worn in school and they should be removed as pupils enter the school building at any points during the school day e.g. after break and lunch

Our uniform underpins our high expectations of pupils to follow 'The Hillside Way' and pupils should look smart, professional and ready to learn- which many do every single day.



Progress Leaders

If you need to discuss any matter regarding your child, please feel free to contact us at school. We find that pupils achieve their best when there is open communication between home and school. Your child's Form Tutor should be the first port of call. Every year group is lead by a Progress Leader who can be contacted if you have any worries or concerns, or have any information that you would like to share as a reminder. Please see below for your child's Progress Leader.



**Miss Banks,
Year 7
Progress
Leader**



**Miss Roby,
Year 8
Progress
Leader**



**Mrs McCarthy,
Year 9
Progress
Leader**



**Mrs Harper,
Year 10
Progress
Leader**



**Mrs Symes,
Year 11
Progress
Leader**

Pupil Support



**Mrs Banks,
Pupil Support**

A reminder that if your child takes medication during the school day then this should be brought into school and clearly labelled with pharmacy instructions for administering the medicine. Parents/Guardians need to sign a form to say that you agree to your child being given medicine. Except for any inhalers or in some cases an epi-pen, a pupil should not carry any medication on them in school including paracetamol. If we held medication for your child last year, please contact school to check that we have enough stock and that this is in date. Mrs Banks is the Pupil Support Co-ordinator and will assist with any enquiries regarding medication. If your child has an ongoing medical condition and requires a care plan, please contact Mrs Banks who will work with you to create or update this.

DESIGNATED PERSONS FOR SAFEGUARDING



**Mrs Jones
Strategic
Lead /
Designated
Safeguarding
Lead**



**Miss Shells
Designated
Safeguarding
Lead**



**Mrs McGing
Designated
Safeguarding
Lead**



**Mrs Ryan
Deputy
Designated
Safeguarding
Lead**



**Mr Smedley
Deputy
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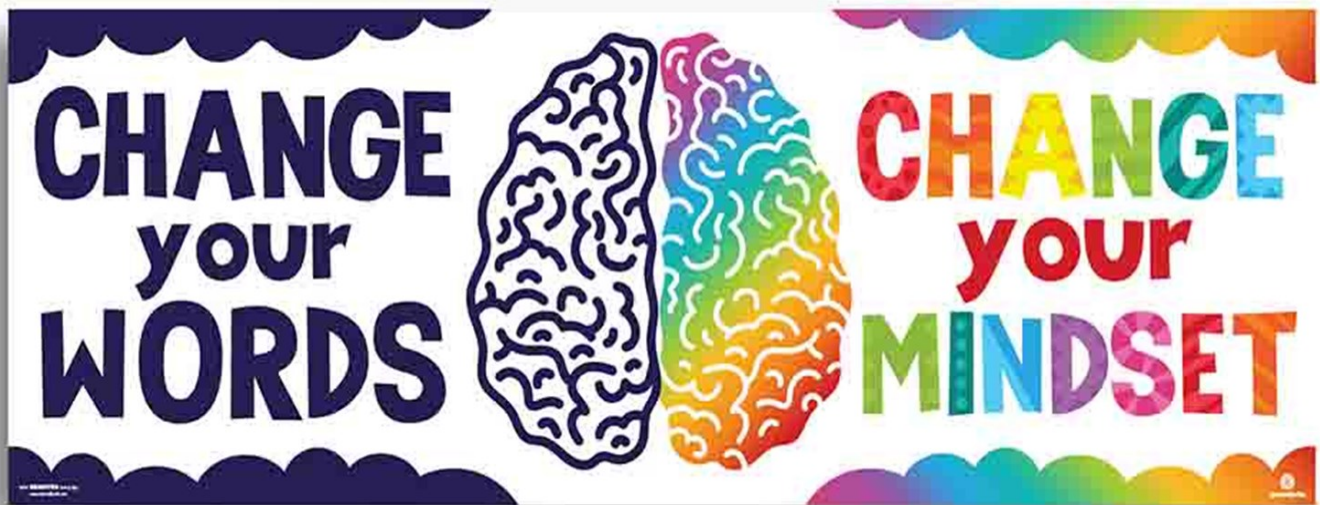


**Mrs Banks
Deputy
Designated
Safeguarding
Lead**

If you are concerned about your own safety or well-being, or the safety and well-being of somebody else in school it is really important that you talk to one of these members of staff

Safeguarding

Please see the poster to the side to remind you of the Safeguarding team here at Hillside. All members of staff have a safeguarding responsibility here at Hillside but the members of staff below have specific responsibilities in terms of responding to any safeguarding concerns. Please see our safeguarding information in the Pupil Handbook for further information.



FIXED	GROWTH
I'M NOT GOOD AT THIS	I CAN GET GOOD AT IT WITH EFFORT & PRACTICE
THIS IS TOO HARD	EVERYTHING IS HARD BEFORE IT IS EASY
I MADE A MISTAKE	MISTAKES HELP ME DO IT BETTER NEXT TIME
IT'S GOOD ENOUGH	THE MORE I DO IT, THE BETTER I'LL GET AT IT
THEY ARE SMARTER THAN ME	I GET SMARTER BY LEARNING MORE ABOUT IT
IF YOU CHANGE YOUR MINDSET	YOU CAN CHANGE YOUR WHOLE LIFE

HILLSIDE HIGH SCHOOL
OPEN EVENING
THURSDAY 15TH SEPTEMBER
5:30PM

A GREAT PLACE TO LEARN



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