



HILLSIDE HIGH SCHOOL WADE DEACON TRUST

REMINDER: School will be closed on **Monday 19th September** for the Queen's Funeral which has been declared as a Bank Holiday.

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Last Friday it was an honour to walk around school and see every form group taking part in an extended registration to reflect on the life of Queen Elizabeth II. I was reading that 9 out of 10 of us will have only ever known the Queen reign and certainly in our school community she will be the only monarch any of us will have known. The feeling of great sadness at her passing is understandable and natural and our job is to reassure our young people at this sad and unsettling time. I hope for many years to come when our children stop to think about the death of Queen Elizabeth II they can look back at their time at Hillside and feel they were part of a fitting and moving tribute to her.

In this week's newsletter I am delighted to share a brief introduction from the new colleagues who have joined Hillside this year. They have all settled in brilliantly and are enjoying working with our amazing pupils and been part of 'Team Hillside'.

Amanda Ryan, Principal

Queen Elizabeth II



On Friday morning, Hillside pupils paid tribute to the longest reigning Monarch our country has ever known after Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II's passing at the age of 96.

Queen Elizabeth II spent 70 years on the throne, after being crowned on 2 June 1953, meaning she ruled Britain for longer than any other King or Queen in history.

During her time as Queen, lots of things changed in Britain. But one thing that never changed was her strong sense of duty to the UK and the Commonwealth.

Queen Elizabeth II will be remembered as a Queen who spent her life keeping the promise she made when she was first crowned - to serve her people and her country.

All pupils took part in an extended form period and read through a tribute celebrating the life and dedication of Queen Elizabeth II. Pupils reflected on several key dates in the Queen's life including when Elizabeth became Queen in 1952, which came with a big role in as head of a special group of countries called the Commonwealth, which includes Australia, India, Jamaica and Canada.

At the start of her reign, just eight countries were part of this group. By the time she passed away, she had increased membership of the Commonwealth to 54 countries.

Hillside joins the world in paying our respects to this inspirational lady as she makes her way to her final resting place.

Welcoming Year 7 Pupils

Last Monday, we welcomed Year 7 pupils into Hillside for the next part of their journey in education. They all looked so smart in their brand new school uniforms and were happy to be joining the Hillside family. The morning began with pupils meeting their form tutor, who they will form close relationships with over the next five years. Pupils were asked about what they were most looking forward to in high school, as well as asking form tutors many questions about what Hillside life is like. Pupils stayed with form tutors during the first part of the morning, where they were shown how our biometric system works – where pupils pay for their food and drink at break and lunch times. Year 7 also had a tour of the school, led by their form tutor; a lot of pupils were shocked at how big our school is in comparison to their primary school. After this, pupils went to usual lessons and met their class teachers, experiencing what lessons in Year 7 are like. We look forward to continuing to getting to know all of Year 7!

Miss Banks



GCSE Pods

GCSE Pod For KS4

TOP PODDERS

Yexian H, Year 8 - 74

HaiYing X, Year 8 - 49

Leo W, Year 11 - 35

Excellence in the Heart of the CPIC-COLLAGE

GCSE Pod For KS4

DIAMOND LEAGUE

Jessica H, Year 10 - 34

Michael D, Year 11 - 28

Jamie B, Year 11 - 24

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GCSE Pod For KS4

QUESTIONS ANSWERED ?

Jessica H, Year 10 - 20

Jamie B, Year 11 - 14

Michael D, Year 11 - 14

Excellence in the Heart of the CPIC-COLLAGE

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.

Breakfast Club

Come along to our fantastic breakfast club!

Mrs McGing will be in the old gym every day between 8am and 8:30pm serving delicious warm bagels.



A warm welcome to our new staff



"Hi everyone. My name is Miss Elliott and I am very excited to be here at Hillside, I have spent the last 13 years working with younger children in a childcare setting and thought it was time for a new adventure into education, so I decided to swap toddlers for teenagers! I will be your new attendance officer." **Miss Elliott**



"Hi Everyone, I'm Emma I will be working with the ESOL pupils this year. My background is in Art and design, SEND and ESOL teaching. Looking forward to working at hillside :)" **Miss Limbert**



"Hi everyone, my name is Miss Hastings. I will be joining the PE department at Hillside this year, as a teacher trainee. I am really looking forward to being part of the team and working closely with pupils to fulfil their potential in PE." **Miss Hastings**



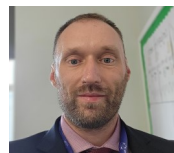
"Hi everyone. My name is Miss Wharton and I am very excited to be back at Hillside after completing my own GCSEs here back in 2015. After completing A-Levels I went on to study Zoology at LJMU. I enjoy hiking, camping and music festivals and I am a big Liverpool fan. I will be supporting pupils through intervention in Maths and Science and am looking forward to them all making exceptional progress." **Miss Wharton**



"Hi, my name is Miss Harrison. I was a student at Hillside a VERY long time ago so I am excited to be back as a teaching assistant." **Miss Harrison**



"Hi everyone, my name is Mr Roe and I'm a Science teacher. I'm excited to be joining a really vibrant community here at Hillside and looking forward to helping people learn wherever I can!" **Mr Roe**



iHola! My name is Mr. Cosgrove and I teach Spanish at Hillside High School. I love helping students to discover a whole new language and all of the different cultures linked to it. Not only can knowing another language help with your communication skills, it can help with job prospects too." **Mr Cosgrove**



I have been a primary school teacher for 15 years. Now, I am working at Hillside delivering phonic support throughout years 7-10, 1:1 or 2:1 to encourage the love of reading, speaking and listening and provide strategies that hopefully the children can use in class that will accelerate their progress. **Miss McKeown**

Y7 pupils will be reading a novel from next week called 'A Monster Calls' it is about a mum who has cancer and how her son copes with this. We will approach this sensitively and supportively but please let us know if this may upset your child. **The English Department**



★ Pupil Achievements ★



Recent ABRSM music exam pass: Beth Scott, grade 7 flute. This came through just before we finished for summer. Beth was in Year 11 and is now starting 6th form study at Archbishop Beck.

Impressive result, well done!

Mr Harrison
WELL DONE!

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