



HILLSIDE HIGH SCHOOL WADE DEACON TRUST

Friday 4th November 2022

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Welcome back to what I know is going to be an exciting half term here at Hillside. As I said to Year 7 in assembly this week there is no better place to be in the run up to Christmas than Hillside. Whilst we will continue to work hard and make progress in our lessons, there are so many lovely activities and experiences planned for our pupils this half term. I know we are going to carry on learning and have lots of fun experiences too.

Attendance continues to be our biggest priority and I would take this opportunity to thank everyone for their support in this crucial area. So many of our pupils have excellent attendance and I can't thank you enough for supporting your child in achieving this. Unfortunately we do have children who are missing too much school. They are obviously missing crucial learning, which will hinder their progress. They are also missing all the lovely activities and experiences which Hillside offers, this saddens me greatly as these are often the things we look back at in years to come and for some of our pupils they simply weren't in school to benefit from these opportunities. We really do believe in working with our families so please don't hesitate to contact your child's Form Tutor, Progress Leader or Ms Elliot our Attendance Officer if you need any support in this crucial area.

I have got to mention how amazing Presentation Evening was on the last Thursday of half term. As I said in my speech on the evening, there was times in the pandemic when I wondered with great sadness if we would ever return to such events. This made this year's Presentation Evening, even more special. A massive well done to all our prize winners and it was lovely to see so many of last years Year 11s joins us for this most special of evenings.

Amanda Ryan, Principal

Presentation Evening

On Thursday 20th October we were delighted to be able to hold our first Presentation Evening since before the pandemic. Presentation Evening provides us with the opportunity to celebrate our pupils' achievement and endeavour from the previous year and enables us to welcome back many of our former Year 11 pupils. Bootle Town Hall was the ideal venue for our Presentation Evening to take place where prize winners and their families were welcomed by Hillside staff and enjoyed refreshments before the prize giving got started. Prizes were presented by Mrs Ryan and Mr Cunliffe, our Chair of Governors, and the audience enjoyed three beautiful performances from our Hillside Singers and speeches from both members of our student council and our three Head Pupils. Well done to all our prize winners!



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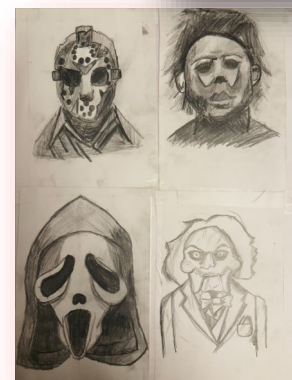
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Halloween Competition Winners

A massive well done to all pupils that took part in the art Halloween drawing competition! We had so many fantastic entries that we couldn't pick just one! Well done to Jenson 8NK, Jayden 8LW, Michael 8NK, Issy 9GW and Maia 7DH.

If you missed out this time, then keep your eyes peeled for our Christmas competition coming soon!

Miss Murphy & Miss White



Girls Football – The Hillside Lionesses Doing Us Proud!

In the week before half term, girls from Years 7,8,9 and 10 took part in football tournaments at LCFA in Thornton having the opportunity to play on brand new 3G pitches and compete against many schools in Sefton. The event was incredibly well organised and well attended by all schools in Sefton. It was definitely clear to see the impact that England Women's Football is having on young girls in school. I felt very proud of all our football girls to be part of such a fantastic event.

Year 7: A great effort from our Year 7 football team, they won 2 matches, drew 1 and lost 1 and unfortunately did not go through to the final. Some great goals scored from Maddie Friar, Maisie Atkinson and Esmee Hough. So proud of these girls!

Year 8: Outstanding performance from this team in what was a very tough draw. The talent in this team is incredible, captain Kayla Bloxham scoring some fantastic goals as well as Jasmin Isibor and Ellie Lamb making some great saves in goal! They won 3 games and drew 1 and didn't go through to the final on goal difference. Absolutely devastating! Still, so, so proud of this team and what they have achieved!

Year 9 and 10: Great efforts from this combined team of Year 9 and 10. They had a tough draw, and lost the first 2 matches but won the next one and drew the final match. It was fantastic to see the fighting spirit of these girls not giving up and working so hard! Some great goals from Ashley Evans, goal keeping from Lilia Campbell and attacking play from Emily Berry.

A special well done also to our Sports Leaders who attended the event, refereed matches and coached our girls through the matches.

Sports Leaders: Lilia Campbell, Nancy O'Hara and Lucas Booth.

Mrs Austin



'Excelente'

The Languages department is excited to announce the launch of our new Spanish newsletter for Years 7, 8 and 9. Entitled *Excelente*, it aims to give parents insight into what their children are studying and how to help them at home. It also gives you the opportunity to learn alongside your son or daughter!

Each half term you will receive a new issue including useful tips, links, resources, cultural knowledge and sentence builders showing the main vocabulary for the current topic being studied.

So as the cold gloomy weather draws in, keep an eye on your inbox for a bit of Spanish sunshine!

Mr. Cosgrove, Spanish Teacher



Safeguarding, Emotional Wellbeing and Mental Health

New Ways November

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New Ways November 2022


	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
	 1 Make a list of new things you want to do this month	2 Respond to a difficult situation in a different way	3 Get outside and observe the changes in nature around you	4 Sign up to join a new course, activity or online community	5 Change your normal routine today and notice how you feel	6 Try out a new way of being physically active	
	7 Be creative. Cook, draw, write, paint, make or inspire	8 Plan a new activity or idea you want to try out this week	9 When you feel you can't do something, add the word "yet"	10 Be curious. Learn about a new topic or an inspiring idea	11 Choose a different route and see what you notice on the way	12 Find out something new about someone you care about	13 Do something playful outdoors - walk, run, explore, relax
	14 Find a new way to help or support a cause you care about	15 Build on new ideas by thinking "Yes, and what if..."	16 Look at life through someone else's eyes and see their perspective	17 Try a new way to practice self-care and be kind to yourself	18 Connect with someone from a different generation	19 Broaden your perspective: read a different paper, magazine or site	20 Make a meal using a recipe or ingredient you've not tried before
	21 Learn a new skill from a friend or share one of yours with them	22 Find a new way to tell someone you appreciate them	23 Set aside a regular time to pursue an activity you love	24 Share with a friend something helpful you learned recently	25 Use one of your strengths in a new or creative way	26 Try out a different radio station or new TV show	27 Join a friend doing their hobby and find out why they love it
	28 Discover your artistic side. Design a friendly greeting card	29 Enjoy new music today. Play, sing, dance or listen	30 Look for new reasons to be hopeful, even in tough times				

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OUR NEW CLUB TO CHALLENGE YOUR SKILL AT PYTHON, CRUMBLE, SCRATCH, MICROBIT AND MORE!



Available for YR7

Room 23
12 students of 3 groups maximum per term.
After each term groups will swap to give an experience to all

Starts on Tuesday 8th November. Places are on a first come, first served basis. Interest to be directed to Mr Haygarth, Mr Henesy or Mr Smith.

Every Tuesday come down to Room 23 to practice some coding with robots and using python or even creating your own design on micro bits.

Hillside High School Extra-Curricular Activities

For all year groups unless specified

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

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