



HILLSIDE HIGH SCHOOL

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End of term Friday 21st July finishing times

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

Dear Parents/Guardians,

This is an emotional message to write as we say goodbye to a number of colleagues today. Miss Kay, Miss Wharton and Miss Kelly leave us to start their teacher training, although Miss Kay and Miss Wharton are completing this at Hillside so it's not really a goodbye to them! Ms McKeown our phonics teacher, Mr Simm our Cover Supervisor and Miss Jones our English intervention teacher leave us to take up opportunities in other schools. Ms Rees leaves us to join another trust school much closer to home and Mr Doran is returning to Ireland. Ms Murphy, Mr Pattinson and Mr Ward are leaving us to pursue leadership opportunities in other schools. Ms Martin is leaving us to develop her own business, a venture I wish her the best of luck with. We also see goodbye to Mr Smith after 17 years at Hillside and Mrs Langan retires after 21 years of dedicated service to our school. We wish them all the best of luck and every happiness in the future. I would take this opportunity to say a massive thank you for all their hard work, always providing the best for our pupils and support for families throughout their time at Hillside.

Please take the time to read the important information included in this newsletter about important changes we are making, which will be in place from Tuesday 5th September.

I would finish by wishing everyone a lovely Summer Holiday. I hope you can enjoy some precious time with family and friends. Thank you for all your ongoing support this academic year and I am already excited to see what we can achieve in 2022-24!

Amanda Ryan, Principal

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10% off Blazer and Kilt Price until 31st July 2023

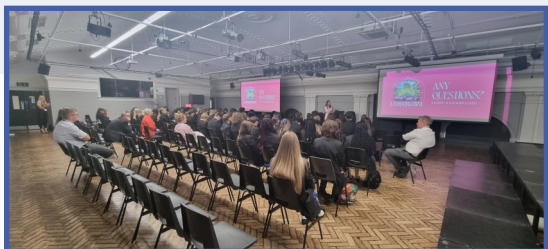
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CEL Solicitors

On Friday 7th July, one of Hillside's former pupils and owner of CEL solicitors came into Hillside to present to our Year 10 pupils. Jessica Hampson spoke to our pupils about her journey and successes from a young girl in Bootle to a successful business owner and millionaire. Her messages were poignant and important for our pupils to hear and absorb feedback from. The Year 10 pupils afterwards said that they felt inspired and motivated by Jessica. They especially enjoyed the chance to see and sit in Jessica's Bentley convertible which was looked after by her driver, another fellow scouser and former SAS operative, while she was in our school. Jessica is looking forward to working with Hillside in the future and is herself motivated by inspiring young people from the local community to be the best they can be and to show them that, with hard work and resilience, they can break down barriers to success.

Mr Smith



MVP Programme

Congratulations to our Year 10 pupils who successfully completed the Merseyside Violence Prevention programme last Monday. These pupils had the opportunity to attend a graduation ceremony along with other schools to celebrate all their hard work and achievements. Congrats again to all involved!



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0151 525 2630

Tapas Trip

Last week all 87 pupils from Year 8 had a wonderful time trying lots of different tapas in Tapas Revolution on Queen Square. We had calamares, albondigas, croquetas, ensalada verde, patatas bravas, pan de ajo and delicious chocolate con churros for dessert. The Spanish restaurant staff also helped our pupils practise some key language skills for ordering food and drinks. The manager Francisco was particularly amazed by all the clean plates and how keen everyone was to try new foods. Everyone agreed that the calamares with ali oli mayo and a squeeze of lemon were the best! ¡Qué aproveche!

Mr Seaman



Science Olympics

On Monday 10th July we hosted our "Science Olympics" here at Hillside. Over one hundred Year 4 and 5 pupils from Bedford and Thomas Gray Primary Schools 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 five or six and provided with a score card and a "Ask the Expert" joker card.

Each challenge was managed by members of our Year 9, they maintained the pace, interest and passion for each task brilliantly. The Year 9 experts also provided support and when required imparted knowledge and tips to the groups to overcome any problems with the task.

The teams were 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 "Bolt" from Bedford and "The Smarties" from Thomas Gray

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



Come and Help Yourself!

On Monday, our Year 7 and 8 went on our attendance reward trip to The Hive in Widnes. Mr Wardale provided the entertainment on the Year 8 coach. Well, he certainly felt it was entertaining. We're not so sure the back seat of the coach felt the same! Once we arrived, pupils split into two groups for their choice of ice skating or cinema. The skaters laced up their boots, and the cinema was overrun with Hillside's armed with snacks! The ice rink quickly filled with Hillside pupils clinging to the side for dear life, that's until the penguins and polar bears (skating supports) saved the day! Pupils then visited the Superbowl, where they enjoyed lunch, a couple of games of bowling and an array of arcade machines. We think the pro-bowling leagues are safe judging by some of our pupils' techniques! The arcade games proved popular with yellow tickets coming from every direction! All pupils exemplified 'The Hillside Way' on the trip and represented our school perfectly. We would love to see even more attendees next year, so make sure you keep up your attendance during the next academic year.

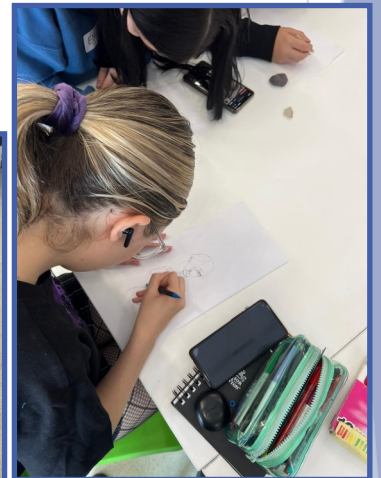
Miss Roby



Art Trip in Tate

Four of our amazing Year 9 artists were given the opportunity to go to the Tate gallery and work alongside LFC foundation and Art company Kodansha. Their brief was to create a Manga style life-size image of themselves based on 'their journey'. All pupils produced excellent work that will be displayed at Liverpool football club's ground, Anfield, in 'Kodansha Corner' alongside the company's images of LFC players. The opportunity for our pupils to work alongside professional artists and with LFC foundation was extremely special and will create memories for them that will last forever. A huge thank you goes to the LFC foundation, who continue to offer these experiences for our pupils.

Mr Smith





E8

- Bag**
- Pen & Pencil**
- Purple Pen**
- Ruler**
- Timetable**
- Calculator**
- Drama / PE Kit**

September Ready!

The New School Day

	Event	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11
08:20am	Arrival Time	8.20am	8.20am	8.20am	8.20am	8.20am
08:30am	Registration	8.30am	8.30am	8.30am	8.30am	8.30am
09:00am	Lesson	Period 1	Period 1	Period 1	Period 1	Period 1
10.00am	Lesson / Break	Period 2	Break	Period 2	Period 2	Break
11.00am		Break (10.30)	Period 2			Break
		Period 2				
11.15am	Lesson	Period 3	Period 3	Period 3	Period 3	Period 3
12.15-1.45pm	12.15-12.45	Period 4	Lunch	Period 4	Period 4	Lunch
	12.45-1.15	Lunch	Period 4			Lunch
	1.15-1.45	Period 4				
1.45pm	Lesson	Period 5	Period 5	Period 5	Period 5	Period 5
2.45pm	End of day	Beginning of P6 and extra-curricular sessions				

Important Change

From Tuesday 5th September All pupils will need to arrive at school for 8:20am to start the school day at 8:30am.

Mobile Phone and Portable Music Players in School

Our rules are clear on this:

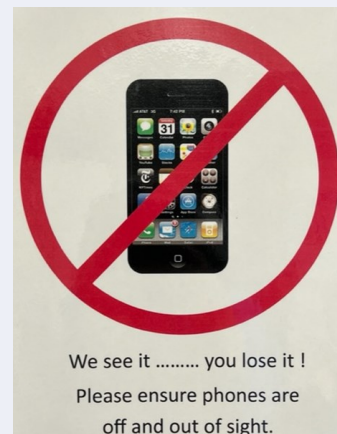
- Electronic devices should not be brought to school at all.
- Mobile phones may be kept in a school bag but must be switched off at all times.
- Mobile phones should not be taken out during lessons, at break or lunchtime.

Our rules are clear on this:

• If you are seen with a mobile phone or an electronic device, the item will be confiscated and placed safely in Pupil Support. If this is the first occasion that your phone is confiscated it will be given back to you at the end of the day. On a second occasion it will not be given back to you until an adult family member comes to collect it.

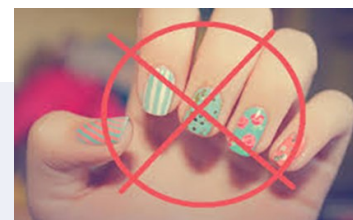
There are no excuses or exceptions to this rule including the reasons set out below

- I was just checking the time.
- I was just checking where my next lesson is.
- I was just seeing if my mum had messaged.
- I just needed to check something.



Jewellery, Make-Up and Nail Varnish

- No jewellery is allowed to be worn except a wrist watch. If you come into school wearing jewellery you will be expected to remove it, this includes earrings which you will be asked to remove.
- Hair bands/bobbles should be small, simple and black or navy.
- It is not appropriate for you to wear make-up, false eyelashes or sparkling tooth gems for school. You will be expected to remove any make-up.
- Nail varnish is not allowed in school and if you are wearing nail varnish you will be asked to remove it and if false nails are worn pupils may be withdrawn from lessons if the nails can not be removed.



September Ready!

School Uniform



At Hillside we have extremely high standards of uniform. This means that if you come to school without full uniform for any reason you will automatically spend the day away from other pupils working in isolation in our remove classroom. This is not a punishment, but a way of ensuring that we maintain our high standards at all times.

We expect all of you to wear full school uniform, including school shoes and blazer on their way to and from school. This is something we take very seriously as we believe you are ambassadors for our school at all times.

- Shirts tucked in at all times.
- Outdoor coats to be taken off when in the school building.
- Blazers worn at all times.
- Kilts should not be rolled up.
- No training shoes.

If you have any questions about uniform, please refer to your handbooks or ask a member of staff.

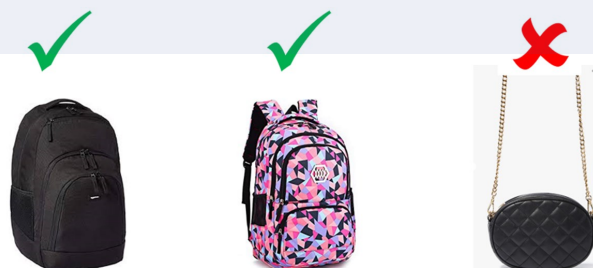
Outdoor coats, jackets and hoodies are not part of your school uniform and should not be worn in the school building:

- Take your coat off as you enter school in the morning.
- If you wear your coat to go out at break and lunch then you should not put this on until you are outside.
- At the end of the school day your coat should go on only as you leave the building and not as you are leaving the classroom.

If you have any questions about uniform, please refer to your handbooks or ask a member of staff.



All pupils need a suitable sized school bag. Big enough to fit A4 folders or books, and all Essential 8.



Safeguarding, Emotional Wellbeing and Mental Health

Summer Safeguarding Policy—Summer Activities/Advice for Parents

As it is the end of the summer term, 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? \(sefton.gov.uk\)](http://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>



Safeguarding, Emotional Wellbeing and Mental Health

Supporting a Child with ADHD 2 hour online session



FACE Lead Facilitator, Jane Keyworth is delivering this session on 20th July 2023 as a one off talk from 6pm to 8pm
Book Now Online via
facefamilyadvice.co.uk

Anxiety Explained

Do you, or your children (especially your teens) suffer from anxiety? Would you like to know what anxiety is and gain some understanding on how to manage it?



A one-off two hour online talk delivered by Jane Keyworth, Lead Facilitator at FACE (facefamilyadvice.co.uk) on 27th July (6:30pm to 8:30pm)
Available to book now via the website



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EXTRA SUMMER SESSIONS

Thursday 20th July
18:00 - 20:00



Supporting a Child with ADHD
interactive session explaining what ADHD is and offering a range of interventions that can make lasting differences.

Thursday 27th July
18:30 - 20:30

Anxiety Explained
Whether it is your anxiety or your children's, what exactly is it and how do we manage it?

Thursday 3rd August
18:30 - 20:30



Drug Awareness talk for Parents
Cannabis, vaping, ketamine, energy drinks? How much do you know? what are the risks? Increase your knowledge and awareness of the issues.

Videos to rent for £5
Understanding the Teenage brain
Cannabis Awareness
Introduction to ADHD

facefamilyadvice.co.uk info@facefamilyadvice.co.uk

Key Dates 2023 for Year 6

24th-28th July—Summer School
Don't forget to book your 1-2-1 meeting with Mrs Ryan and Mrs Phillips. Please contact admin@hillsidehigh.co.uk

Key Dates 2023

24th August—Year 11 Results Day, 10am
5th September—Term commences for pupils

Thought for the Week

