



Dear Parents/Guardians,

Last Friday it was an absolute pleasure to welcome Peter Dowd our local MP to Hillside. Peter had a very informative tour of our school supported by our Head Pupils, Christopher, Daria and Jess. We were delighted Peter was then able to stay and join us for our MacMillan Coffee Morning. This event was a lovely community event and it was lovely to welcome so many members of our school community to Hillside.

Our Open Evening last Thursday was a huge success and we filled the Hall twice for my speech. As I said on the evening, if any family would like a tour of the school during the school day, don't hesitate to get in touch with admin@hillsidehigh.co.uk and it would be our pleasure to show you around school.

On Wednesday I had the pleasure of celebrating the graduation of our first cohort of Young Interpreters, these young people will play a significant role in supporting pupils new to our school and leading our work on cultural diversity. I know they are all going to be amazing.

Amanda Ryan, Principal

Thought for the Week



Macmillan Coffee Morning

On Friday Hillside held its very first Macmillan coffee morning to raise money for this wonderful charity that is so close to so many of our hearts. Our Year 10 helpers served up a range of delicious bakes and hot drinks to parents, carers, staff and friends of Hillside. Our LRC was decorated in green and white and everyone had a turn at our 'Guess How Many Colin the Caterpillars' game, with Debbie Currie winning as she guessed the exact number correctly! We had so many cake donations that we were even able to hold a cake sale for our pupils on Monday! It was a lovely morning for a fantastic cause! Thank you to all who came!

Miss Collins



Mobile Phone and Electronic Devices in School

In school we do not allow you to use personal mobile phones, tablets, Apple watches or any form of portable music player. We have very good reasons for this, based on pupil safety and the maintenance of high standards in the classroom. However, we do understand that many pupils and their parents/guardians like children to have a mobile phone as a security measure on the way to and from 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 and lunchtime.
- **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. We will not notify you of this, your child will need to tell you when they get home.**
- The school accepts no responsibility for replacing personal property that is lost, stolen or damaged whilst on school premises, during school events, travelling to and from school or whilst attending educational visits. Parents are therefore advised to take out appropriate insurance cover for your property, including mobile phones, portable devices, bicycles and other valuable items.
- Please note that the school has absolutely no insurance to cover the loss or theft of these or other valuable items belonging to either pupils or staff. Should a loss occur, we will obviously investigate to try to recover the item but cannot guarantee success. For lessons in PE, a 'valuables box' is available from the teacher or Teaching Assistant. It is your responsibility to put any valuables into that box for safekeeping.



Hillside High School's Young Interpreters

We are delighted to announce that Hillside's first cohort of Young Interpreters has just graduated. A group of Year 8 and 9 pupils, who share a keen interest in language learning and want to support new arrivals who join Hillside from around the world, have just completed the Young Interpreters training course. Their role will be to raise the profile of cultural diversity across our school and to buddy up with our new arrivals and help them find their way around our school during their first few weeks at Hillside. To celebrate their achievement, Mrs Ryan held a graduation breakfast on Wednesday morning where our Young Interpreters enjoyed a range of tasty treats and were presented with their Young Interpreters certificates and badges.

Miss Collins





Hillside Pantry

We are working with the charity MCKS who are funding the food for the pantry. MCKS is a Charitable Foundation and partners with schools to provide school pantries on a regular and permanent basis. They provide food, toiletries and sanitary supplies for those in need.

Hillside Pantry will be open to any families who have a child at Hillside. You will be given a food hamper containing some essentials listed below.

Items available include

- Tinned meals
- Breakfast cereal
- Tea / Coffee
- Long Life Milk
- Biscuits
- Pastas / Rice / Noodles
- Tinned vegetables
- Long life bread



Toiletries such as soap, shampoo, conditioner, toothpaste and toothbrushes, deodorant are also available.

Please bring your own shopping bag to collect items. Any questions – please contact the school office.

If you are unable to collect on Friday - please contact the school office to make arrangements for collection at another date.

The Hillside Pantry is open every Friday from 1pm – 4pm at the school Main Office.



E8 Bag
Pen & Pencil
Purple Pen
Ruler
Timetable
Calculator
Drama / PE Kit

Key Dates 2023


12th October— Year 7 Settling in Parent Event

19th October—Last day of Term

30th October—Back to School

2nd November —Please note change of date to Presentation Evening

Bedrock



bedrock learning
Weekly praise for our top Bedrockers!

<u>Top for weekly points earned</u>		<u>Top for weekly time spent on Bedrock</u>	
Hunnie Long	9NK 111 points	Zara Edwards	7LH 4h, 56m
Frankie Lane	9NK 81 points	Miley Walton	9LB 4h, 15m
Megan Hutchinson	7LH 80 points	Marina Arede	9NK 4h

Mr Gibaud

Safeguarding, Emotional Wellbeing and Mental Health



EXCELLENCE IN THE HEART OF THE COMMUNITY

Every year at Hillside we celebrate World Space Week, so what is it?

What is World Space Week?

World Space Week is an international celebration of science and technology, and their contribution to the betterment of the human condition. The United Nations General Assembly declared in 1999 that World Space Week will be held each year from October 4-10. These dates commemorate two events:

October 4, 1957: Launch of the first human-made Earth satellite, Sputnik 1, thus opening the way for space exploration
October 10, 1967: The signing of the Treaty on Principles Governing the Activities of States in the Exploration and Peaceful Uses of Outer Space, including the Moon and Other Celestial Bodies.

Where and how is World Space Week celebrated?

World Space Week consists of space education and outreach events held by space agencies, aerospace companies, schools, planetaria, museums, and astronomy clubs around the world in a common timeframe. These synchronized space events attract greater public and media attention. World Space Week 2022 achieved record scale:

More than 11,221 events

Events in 87 nations

World Space Week is coordinated by the United Nations with the support of the World Space Week Association (WSWA). The WSWA leads a global team of National Coordinators, who promote the celebration of World Space Week within their own countries.

What are the goals of World Space Week?

- Provide unique leverage in space outreach and education
- Educate people around the world about the benefits that they receive from space
- Encourage greater use of space for sustainable economic development
- Demonstrate public support for space programs Excite young people about science, technology, engineering, and math
- Foster international cooperation in space outreach and education



This year the theme is SPACE AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP which we having been celebrating in assemblies and will during our World space week community event.

Miss Nelson

Food Technology

This week our Year 9 pupils enjoyed learning professional chopping technique's working up from simple to complex. They had a fabulous lesson and did amazing!

Miss Troake

