



HILLSIDE HIGH SCHOOL

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Thursday 28th March 2024

Dear Parents/Guardians,

I can hardly believe I am writing my last message of the Spring Term and what a fantastic term it has been. I would like to wish everyone a lovely Easter break, I hope you can enjoy some precious time with family and friends.

Please take the time to read our article about World Book Day, this was such a highlight of the half term I am delighted to have this opportunity to share it with you.

Another highlight was seeing our 'She Inspires' girls feature in a short BBC film about the initiative. There are 19 schools involved in this, so we were particularly honoured to be chosen to feature on the BBC film and I can certainly say our girls did us proud!

Today we say Goodbye to Carol Schorah our Catering Manager after 35 years dedicated service to our school. I'm sure many parents will remember Carol with great fondness. I wish Carol a long, happy and healthy retirement.

Amanda Ryan, Principal

Thought for the Week



Match Report

With Year 10 on International duties (Work Experience) the FA Cup games did not fail to excite. Some outstanding performances by Halsall United, Higgins' Heroes, Bell City and Wardale Wanderers secured form time treats for next week. Still a lot of room for improvement for some teams - and as the league is suspended for another week it is a real opportunity to push those attendances much higher and improve match-day fitness. It is going to be great next week in school on the run up to the mid-season break and there are more fixtures next week and even more rewards to win! Good Luck!

FA Cup Games Results wb 18/3/24						
Brown United	9LB	78.8	V	75.0	8SC	Code Breakers
Moore Scorers	7OM	86.2	V	78.5	8RA	Ashraf's Rovers
Halsall United	7CH	95.0	V	87.0	8DH	Haygarth City
Higgins' Heroes	7KBH	95.3	V	90.3	8MC	Cosgrove United
Wardale Wanderers	9SW	96.3	V	94.8	9NK	Kitching Rovers
Wellington Town	8AWE	89.7	V	93.9	7EB	Bell City
Rice Rovers	7JR	85.0	V	90.0	7SAC	Clarke's Sharks
Moore Scorers (reserves)	7OM	86.2	V	89.5	9LG	Gallagher City

FA Cup Games Fixtures wb 24/3/24						
Good Luck!						
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I am delighted to share our published report from Ofsted with you. This is now live on our website for staff and parents to access. The link is here: [Hillside High School - Hillside is a Good School!](#)



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'Meet the Team'

In this week's bumper edition, we have the backbone of the school, Hillside's very own 'Three Amigos!' Working hard to ensure the school is ready for the pupils and staff each day. Always on hand to help, the site maintenance team plays a crucial role at Hillside. Read and enjoy!

Mr Flynn

Previous job(s): Painter/Window Fitter

Hobbies/interests: Football, competitive ice dancing and NFL

Pets: Yes, a dog. He's my little best mate.— Pacho.

Favourite food: Butty's

Likes: Everton FC

Dislikes: Liars and Winter

Favourite movie: The Gentlemen

Favourite destination or last holiday you went on: Greece, Corfu

If not a PA what job would you do? Painter or competitive ice dancer.

Person you'd most like to meet and why: Leonardo Da Vinci, the man was a genius

What was your favourite subject when you were at school? Tech & Art

Favourite colour: Blue (teal)

Coca-Cola or Pepsi: Cherry coke zero

McDonalds or KFC: Neither, make mine a foot long - Subway

If you could have a superpower what would it be? Teleportation

Last book read: American sniper

Liverpool or Everton? Pride of Merseyside, EFC

Favourite superhero: Superman

Most embarrassing moment: Realising I love competitive ice dancing or riding my bike into the side of a Volvo.

Favourite chocolate bar: Crunchie

Favourite crisp or snack: Mango Chunks

Best Christmas present you received when you were younger: Bike that I crashed 2 days later.

Worst Christmas present: Coal and an Orange! Be good!

Red or brown sauce on a sausage sandwich: Brown is the best.

Which actor would you play in a movie: Kevin James (Paul Blart)



Mr Flynn



Mr Quinn

Previous job(s): Support Worker, I am also a barber.

Hobbies/interests: Football, Watching Series and films.

Pets: None

Favourite food: Scouse / Roast Dinner

Likes: spending time with my two kids

Dislikes: smelly people

Favourite movie: Happy Gilmore

Favourite destination or last holiday you went on: Sunny beach, Bulgaria

If you didn't work at Hillside what job would you do? Barber

Person you'd most like to meet and why: Post Malone, just boss isn't he.

What was your favourite subject when you were at school? Geography

Favourite colour: Green

Coca-Cola or Pepsi: Pepsi

McDonalds or KFC: KFC-Zinge burger meal please!

If you could have a superpower what would it be? Read peoples minds

Last book read: Pep Lijnders Intensity

Liverpool or Everton? Liverpool, who are Everton?

Favourite superhero: Thor

Most embarrassing moment: Falling down the stairs in Magaluf

Favourite chocolate bar: Boost

Favourite crisp or snack: Pringles any Flavour

Best Christmas present you received when you were younger: PS2

Worst Christmas present: Lynx

Red or brown sauce on a sausage sandwich: Brown

Which actor would you play in a movie: Danny Devito—Same height.



Mr Quinn

Mr Tracewski

Previous job(s): Security

Hobbies/interests: Football, Pool and F1

Pets: Dog

Favourite food: Any Chinese food.

Likes: Weekends

Dislikes: Miserable weather

Favourite movie: Transporter

Favourite destination or last holiday you went on: Sunny Spain

If you didn't work at Hillside what would you do? Anything related to football.

Person you'd most like to meet and why: Seamus Colman seems like a kind person to talk to.

What was your favourite subject when you were at school? Either PE or IT

Favourite colour: Blue

Coca-Cola or Pepsi: Coca Cola

McDonalds or KFC: Can't beat a good McDonalds—Cheeseburger

If you could have a superpower what would it be? Lift things using your mind.

Last book read: Everton match Program

Liverpool or Everton? UTT Proper Club

Favourite superhero: Groot

Most embarrassing moment: Being silly and falling over in front of loads of people.

Favourite chocolate bar: Twirls

Favourite crisp or snack: Lays

Best Christmas present you received when you were younger: Keyboard Piano

Worst Christmas present: I had no bad present grateful for any present.

Red or brown sauce on a sausage sandwich: Red

Which actor would you play in a movie: Liam Neeson



Mr Tracewski

World Book Day

At Hillside, where every day is a celebration of literature, World Book Day was an extra special occasion. We delved into the enchanting world of books with joy, embracing various activities. Our teachers dazzled us with their creative costumes while our doors donned literary themes through colourful decorations. We were fortunate to host workshops led by esteemed personalities such as Liverpool poet Levi Tafari and our cherished local bookstore, Kingsleys. At Hillside, we firmly believe in our curriculum intent of Reading is Power, and this event served as a reminder of our commitment to nurturing this passion every day. It was not just a celebration of books but also a moment to acknowledge our triumphs in reading, a testament to the thriving literary culture we cultivate at Hillside. Reading is Power!

Year 7 and 8 took part in a story telling workshop with Kingsley and Co's very own story keeper Jake. We learned the history of puppetry, how to act using puppets and even got to create our own shadow puppets, which we used in a performance of 'The Snow Queen'. It was a fabulous day!

Levi Tafari lead several workshops discussing the history of RAP, were we discovered that RAP is actually an acronym for Rhythmic Applied Poetry. We listened to and took part in some of his work, even hearing some unpublished material! Followed by writing and performing our own poems.






**BEHAVIOUR THAT CHALLENGES
WORKSHOP WITH THE
MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT TEAM**





**THURSDAY 18TH APRIL
3.15PM- 4.15PM**

Come along to the parent and carer Behaviour that Challenges workshop; delivered by the Mental Health Support Team

This informative workshop provides tips and strategies to promote positive behaviour changes in children

SEE YOU THERE!



Key Dates 2024

29th March—12th April—Easter Holidays

18th April—Year 8 Progress Evening - 4.15pm-6.45pm

15th May—Year 9 Men ACWY Immunisations



Safeguarding, Emotional Wellbeing and Mental Health

World Autism Awareness Day

World Autism Awareness Day 2024 will be observed on April 2, 2024. The day was established by the United Nations General Assembly on Resolution 62/139 in 2007. The aim is to raise awareness about people with autism spectrum condition and support research finding new ways to improve wellness and inclusion for all autistic people.

Autism spectrum condition (ASC) is a developmental condition caused by differences in the brain. People with ASC often have difficulty with social communication and interaction, and restricted or repetitive behaviours or interests. People with ASC may also have different ways of learning, moving, or paying attention.

It is estimated that worldwide about 1 in 100 children has autism. However, this is a conservative figure and around 10% of pupils at Hillside have diagnosis of, or are awaiting a diagnosis of Autism. Therefore it is likely that you, one of your friends, classmates or siblings have this condition.

Over the past two years staff and pupils have been working hard to support our Autistic pupils to become more Autism Friendly. Here are just a few of the things we do...

- Lesson Transitions
- Consistent colour scheme
- Hillside Core 5
- Hillside STAR
- Consistent corridor decorations
- Staff training from Autism Education Trust
- Pupil Training on PD Drop Down Day



In the LRC this week there will be a suggestions box. If you are Autistic, have an autistic friend or sibling or have been inspired by my assembly. Put suggestions in the box, please put your name on your suggestion. If parents or carers have any concerns about their children and would like advice on Autism or any other special educational need please do not hesitate to contact our Special Educational Needs Coordinator, Mrs Miller.

For further advice and support check out the following websites.

- <https://www.autism.org.uk/>
- <https://www.autism-alliance.org.uk/>
- <https://www.autismeducationtrust.org.uk/>
- <https://www.advancedsolutions.co.uk/>



She Inspires BBC Filming

On Friday 9th February we welcomed the BBC to Hillside High School. We were very privileged to be selected over 19 schools across Merseyside to represent and showcase the 'She Inspires' programme. A group of our Year 8 and 9 pupils have participated in this programme which was led by EITC. This programme is all about empowering girls to be leaders of their own futures and to inspire them that they can achieve anything with determination and hard work.

The day started with the set up of the lights and cameras. As soon as the pupils arrived to school it was go go go! We began the day with a classroom-based session focussing around leadership and teamwork. Then it was straight on to our practical workshop where the group participated in football drills and matches.

During the afternoon it was our lead ladies turn. Fola was interviewed by the BBC to give her insight about the 'She Inspires' programme and what she felt she has learnt from this.

It was amazing to watch these pupils in action. They were enthusiastic, committed, confident and were an absolute credit to us. We could not have picked a better group to represent Hillside. The representatives from the BBC, Merseyside Police, EITC and LFC Foundation gave excellent feedback about the day.

Watch this space, we have some stars amongst us!



Miss Roby