

# Headteacher's Bulletin

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## Headteacher's message:

Our Year 6 pupils returned from their five-day residential at Min-Y-Don full of excitement, stories, and smiles! The trip was packed with outdoor adventures that challenged and inspired them—from climbing and canoeing to team-building and reflection. Throughout the week, the children developed their **confidence**, **independence**, and **relationships**, making memories that will stay with them for years to come. It was a joy to see them support one another, step out of their comfort zones, and grow as individuals and as a group.

A huge thank you to **Mr Newman, Miss Hughes, Mr Cooke, and Mrs Thomas** for leading the trip with such care and enthusiasm. Their dedication helped create a safe, fun, and enriching experience that has set our Year 6 pupils in fantastic stead for their final year at Hillside. We're proud of every single one of them!

We're looking forward to welcoming families to our Autumn Parents' Evenings on **Tuesday 14th** and **Thursday 16th October**. The booking system will open **next Wednesday at 4pm** and remain live for **two weeks**. We strongly encourage all parents to make an appointment so we can work together to give your children the very best experience this year.

On Wednesday 2nd October, our kitchen will be offering a special Census Day lunch. We kindly encourage all KS1 pupils to order a school lunch on this day, as it directly supports our school's funding. Thank you for your help! There is now a link to see whether you are eligible for free school meals in the contact section on page 2.

This week, our youngest Hillsiders in **Reception** were introduced to their **Year 5 Buddies**. Both classes were thrilled to meet each other and are looking forward to a range of mentoring activities planned over the next two years. It's a wonderful partnership that builds confidence, friendship, and community across the school.



Next week, we look forward to Monday's wellbeing day, Friday's European Day Of Languages and Year 2's Conker Walk!

Adam Khan—Headteacher



### Super Start for Year 5

This week we held a class debate around the question: 'Should Annie go over the waterfall in the barrel?'. We worked in teams to argue for or against Annie Edson Taylor going over Niagara Falls, using persuasive language and listening carefully to each other's ideas. It was exciting, sometimes intense and we made some brilliant arguments!

Miss Wilkie



### **Important Dates:**

22/09—Whole School Wellbeing Day

29/09—Book Fair (Mon—Weds 3.15—4.15)

03/10—Flu Jab (Whole school by consent)

03/10—Reception Granparents' Day

14/10—Parents' Evening

16/10—Parents' Evening

20/10—Individual Photos

23/10-FOH School Disco

24/11—YR/1/2/3 Zoo Trip Information to follow

06/12—Ho Ho Helsby

16/12—Xmas Performances (KS1—Afternoon, KS2—Evening)

17/12—Xmas Performances (KS2—Afternoon, KS1—Evening)

19/12—Carols Around the Tree 1pm (school closes at 2pm)

25/02/26—Y2 Burwardsley Residential (1 night)

30/03/26— Y4 Tattenhall Residential (2 nights)

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If you would like to attend any of our open mornings, please contact the school office at admin@hillside.cheshire.sch.uk or phone 01928 722991

# **Helsby Hillside Primary School** Reception 2026 Open Days

We will be inviting prospective parents for Reception 2026 intake into school for an open morning on:

> **Tuesday 30th September Tuesday 4th November Tuesday 2nd December Tuesday 6th January**

On each of these days there will be tours of the school at 9.30am led by our fantastic Year 5 and 6 tour guides. You will have the opportunity to see our current reception class and meet the teachers and headteacher.







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At Helsby Hillside, we.

- Offer an extensive personal development curriculum
- Provide a range of creative and sporting opportunities
- Provide wrap around care from 7.30am 6pm
- Deliver strong academic outcomes
- Engage with our community supporting family and friendships
- Develop confident children who are inspired to achieve

### Contact details:

Please contact the school office to notify or request ab-

sence at: admin@hillside.cheshire.sch.uk

or call **01928 722 991** 

Website links: School website Absence request

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### Link Club

We now have places available in our before and after school provision. If you would like to use this provision or would like further information please email us at: linkclub@hillside.cheshire.sch.uk more information can also be found on the school website



### Friends of Hillside:

FOH can be contacted on

friendsofhillsidefundraising@outlook.com





Click here for school lottery!

### Live Well Newsletter

'Live Well' are an organisation that support families in need.

The Live Well Newsletter will Live Well be published bi-monthly to provide you with latest updates and information. It is



also your opportunity to get involved, have your say and improve our Live Well/Local Offer Cheshire West Website.















