

Friday 21th January 2022

With three year groups having to be segregated and several staff off isolating, it has been a challenging week here at Hillside. I would like to thank our Teaching Team (both Teachers and TAs) for pulling together, stepping up and making sure the children's learning hasn't been affected.

Mr Adam Khan - Headteacher



Pupil Voice:

Junior Road Safety Officers

Thanks to Nieve and Arthur, our Road Safety Officers for presenting to KS2 this week.



Their message included the importance of wearing a seatbelt and they invited the children to take part in a competition.

We are sorry to have had to cancel Party Dance and Choir until further notice. This is in line with reducing contact between different classes.

Y5/6 Netball:

Mrs Porter reported a super 1st Netball training session. We are hopeful of arranging some inter-schools Netball games later this year.



It was lovely to have Annabelle Porter, a previous Hillsider and now High School Netball Team member, help with the training and share her skills.

Y2 Masterchefs

Mrs Jagota, Mrs Williams had a delicious 1st cookery club session where Year 2 children learnt about Turkish food.



Here club members are following a recipe and working together to make flatbreads and hummus!



Important Dates:

Monday 31st January – Y6 Bikeability
Friday 11th February – Y3 Stone Age Day
Monday 7th March -Y2 Burwardsley Residential
Monday 21st March – Science Week
Monday 28th March – Y4 Tattenhall Residential

Coronavirus Update

Reminder that from Monday 17 January, people who are self-isolating with COVID-19 will have the option to reduce their isolation period after 5 full days if they test negative with a lateral flow device (LFD) test on both day 5 and day 6 and they do not have a temperature. For example, if they test negative on the morning of day 5 and the morning of day 6, they can return to school immediately on day 6.

Day 0	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	Day 6	Day 7	Day 8	Day 9	Day 10
Date of test / onset of symptoms					7.30 am take LFT test	7.30 am take LFT test	Continue to isolate up to and including Day 10 unless you have two consecutive negative LFT tests 24 hours apart. Maximum isolation 10 days			
Isolate	Isolate	Isolate	Isolate	Isolate	If positive then continue to isolate 😞	If positive then continue to isolate 😞	No need to Isolate 😊			
					7.30 am LFT	7.30 am LFT				
					If negative continue to isolate and test again on Day 6	If Negative and no temperature child can return to school 😊				

Welcome to Mrs Williams!

We are pleased to welcome Mrs Catherine Williams who has joined our office team.



The children will already know Mrs Williams as she has worked as one of our mid-day assistants as well as supporting children in class from time to time.

Year 6 Gymnastics

This week, Year 6 have been combining PE with their study of WW2. Their gymnastics lesson included air raid sirens, taking shelter, travelling, balancing, rolling, turning, jumping and much more!



Man of the match!



Well done Joseph (Y2) for winning man of the match in his recent game for Vauxhall Motors!

Future Rugby Star

Great news for Bailey (Y6). He has been awarded player of the match at his local Rugby club.



I encourage all children to share their out of school achievements (big or small) with me.

Their enthusiasm and pride often encourages other children to participate and if I have space, I will always mention them in the newsletter!

Cross-Country Club

I'm delighted to have started our running club this week. On Tuesday I was really impressed with the Y3 and Y4 runners who showed great resilience and determination in the freezing conditions!



On Thursday morning, the Y5 and Y6 runners also braved to cold and had a great run. Welcome to Harry, Aimee and Erica from Y5 who are new to the club.



Please let the office know if your child wants to join but hasn't as I do have space for a few more runners!

Correction

In last week's newsletter, I mentioned being treated to the musical talents of Ava Kendrick. It was actually the musical talents of her cousin, Ella Kendrick. Apologies Ella!



Representing the boys, Leo (Y5) is also proving to be a promising young musician – Keep it up Leo!

KS2 Wellbeing Club

The girls and boy seemed to be enjoying the first KS2 Wellbeing Club this Wednesday with Mrs Hughes.



They discussed what wellbeing means and the importance of mental health. Having a good 'natter' took up most of the session, something Mrs Hughes is highly trained in.