



## Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July 2022

- The Summer Fair – Huge thank you to the Friends of Hillside, staff and everyone who visited to support the event, a fabulous turnout despite the rain! It was great to see Steven Caldwell our new Deputy Headteacher and Andy Newman our new Year 6 teacher drop in and announce the raffle winners. We hope some of you managed to say hello.
- A reminder that we have lots of pre-loved clothing in the school office. Donations welcome, but not essential. There is an honest box in the office! Pop in and have a look - with children growing so quickly, why buy new when you can have good quality pre-loved school uniform?
- Please check Parent Pay and bring your account up to date for payments of trips and dinner money before the end of term.
- Moving up Day (12<sup>th</sup> July) – children to attend their usual class for registration.
- Next week, Year 6 will spend Monday and Tuesday at Helsby High School. Those Year 6 children not attending the high school should come to school as usual and they will work/help in other year groups.
- School reports were sent home this week with your child. You are welcome to speak to teachers and see children's work on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> June from 3.30-5.30pm. Please return the slips sent home with the reports.
- Min Y Don September 2022– Current Year 5 parents are invited to attend a Min Y Don meeting on Wednesday next week at 3.30pm in preparation for next term's residential – please send back your form C's.
- On Wednesday and Friday afternoons next week, the Year 6 children will be holding their traditional 'Pound Grow'. They have used a pound (gifted by the Friends of Hillside) to start a small business and attempt to make a profit raising funds for the school. Please send your child into school with some money if they wish to take part (max £2). Please see the Y6 class page for a full list of attractions including rock painting, penalties, name the teddy and cupcakes!
- On Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> July at 2.45pm we will be officially opening the new 'Reading Hut'. Parents are welcome to join us if they are available.
- Year 6 parents are invited to see their children share some of their talents at a special leaver's assembly on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July. There will be performances at 9.30am and at 2pm.
- Please be aware that when parents are permitted to take photos/videos by school, such as at sports day/PTA events, **they are for personal use only – and not to be shared on social media.** We do not have permission to share images of all of our children and so insist that when photos/ videos are taken, they are solely viewed privately – e.g. not shared on class WhatsApp/Facebook pages.
- **Household Support funding - we are pleased to offer families eligible for Free School Meals food vouchers for use over the school holidays.**

**We have also been allocated a small 'pot' of funding for families who the Local Authority described as "just above the FSM threshold." I am sure you will agree that this is a rather difficult measure for school leaders to identify within their families. So, at Hillside we have decided that the best way forward is to rely on your honesty. We will retain this money in school and any families who feel that they are in need of support financially and meet this threshold, please contact me (in confidence) on my email address**

**head@hillside.cheshire.sch.uk. We can then chat about how we can best support you. We will be ordering the vouchers on Thursday 14th July so please contact me before this date, in order to receive Tesco vouchers to support you financially over the summer holidays.**

### **Important dates**

11/7/22 & 12/7/22 Transition day Y6 Helsby High School	12/7/22 – Moving Up Day – Children spend the day in their class	14/7/22 Reception class bug ball
14/7/22 – (3.30pm – 5.30pm) Optional drop in session for parents to speak to teachers and see children's work.	13/07/22 and 15/07/22 Year 6 Pound Grow Enterprise Project	14/07/22 Y6 Bowling Trip
18/07/22 – Y6 parents invited to Bible Explorers Assembly	20/07/22 Reading Hut Official Opening 2.30pm	21/07/22 Year 6 Leavers Assembly 9.30am and 2pm
School closes Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July @ 2pm	School re-opens Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> September 8.55am	Min Y Don Year 6 – 12 <sup>th</sup> – 16 <sup>th</sup> September 2022

School contact details: [admin@hillside.cheshire.sch.uk](mailto:admin@hillside.cheshire.sch.uk) Tel: 01928722991 please only email your child's class teacher directly if it is related to their performance; class/homework or you have any concerns. For all other correspondence, please contact the school office.

Useful forms: [Absence request form](#) [Administering Medicine consent](#)