



17 March 2017

HILLSIDE ACADEMY NEWSLETTER

Welcome to this week's Newsletter.

Dear Parents / Carers

This year all children will be taking part in specially designed Hillside Academy tea towels. These are a wonderful keepsake and we are really looking forward to seeing our first ever Hillside Academy tea towel! Please make sure you return the attached order form before Tuesday 4 April so that we can secure your order.

On Thursday the Y6 children attended the Crucial Crew, organised by South Yorkshire Police. Children were taught life skills about making the right choices and keeping themselves safe, and knowing there will be consequences for their actions.

On Friday 24th March, Mrs Pritchard will be holding a KS2 SATs meeting for parents of children in Y2. If you would like to attend, please come to the school's main entrance at 2.45pm of Friday 24th March.

During the Easter break, Year 6 children are invited to attend a SATs Easter holiday help session. This session will be run by Reach 4 and will take place on 19th April at Denaby Main School. Please see the separate letter and consent form.

Please remember to send in any photographs of your children reading a book in an interesting place outside of the school environment – this is part of our new Rainbow Rewards. You can either print a photograph off and bring into school, or if you don't have access to a printer, you can email any photographs into admin@hillsider4.org.uk

Finally, I am pleased to announce that all children will receive their Hillside Academy book bag next week! Friends of Hillside have donated their final funds to school and we have been able to purchase a bag for each child using this money. We are still looking for water bottle suppliers and as soon as we find a competitive supplier, we will be able to provide a Hillside Academy water bottle for each child with the remaining funds donated by Friends of Hillside.

Thank you all for your continuous support.

M Walton,
Principal

CELEBRATIONS

Attendance Awards

1 st Place	Kingfishers 96.7%
2 nd Place	Skylarks 94.2%
3 rd Place	Puffins 94%
4 th Place	Woodpeckers 86.1%

REMINDERS

PARENTS EVENING

Parents evening will take place on Tuesday 21st March. Thank you to everyone who has returned their time slot letter.

BOOK AND BISCUIT

Please continue to support your child by encouraging them to read and to buy a biscuit in school for 20p. This week we raised £9.80 taking the total to a fantastic £66. Well done to the School Council members for running the book and biscuit event. Keep up the good work! Only another £34 to go until the School Council reach their £100 target. I am sure we can achieve this before the Easter break.



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RED NOSE DAY

Hillside Academy will be taking part in Red Nose Day on Friday 24th March. Children are invited to bring £1 and to wear something red on Friday 24th March. All proceeds will go towards Red Nose Day. We have more noses for sale! These are available on a 1st come 1st served basis.

FUN WITH PHONICS

Thankyou to all parents that have been attending the Fun with Phonics sessions each Thursday 08.30 – 09.00.

BREAKFAST CLUB

Please can I remind parents and carers that our Breakfast Club begins at 8am. Children will be admitted between 8 – 8.15am and the cost is now £1 each morning for each child; unless your child is in receipt of Pupil Premium in which case Breakfast Club is subsidised at 50p. If you are unsure if your child is in receipt of Pupil Premium funding, please call in to the School Office to check this.

Children not attending the Breakfast Club should wait in the playground to be collected by a teacher at 8.30am. If it is raining, children should stand under the canopy where they will be collected from there by a teacher. Any children arriving after 08.45am must enter the school via the reception area as the cloakroom door will be closed and the register will have been taken. Children or parents must inform the office staff if they arrive late. This is in accordance with our safeguarding procedures.

PE KIT

Children must bring the correct PE kit to school. Our PE kit is black shorts and a white t-shirt. This is not an optional kit, this is part of our Hillside Academy uniform. Children not bringing the correct kit will not be able to take part in PE lessons.

SAINSBURYS ACTIVE KIDS VOUCHERS

Thank you to everyone that has donated Sainsbury's Active Kids Vouchers. Please continue to support us by sending in your vouchers which will enable us to purchase active or cooking equipment.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Our current clubs are:

Monday: Year 2 SATs booster class run by Mrs Pritchard takes place 3.15 – 4.15.

Tuesday: Craft / Baking Club run by Mrs Jackson and Mrs Holmes takes place 3.15 – 3.45. This is open to Woodpecker class.

Wednesday: Hillside Choir, run by Mrs Jackson, takes place 3.15 – 4.30. This is open to years 3-6.

Thursday: Year 6 booster class run by Miss Walton takes place 3.15 – 4.15.

Thursday: Sports club, run by Coach Owen 3.15-4.15. This is open to Woodpeckers and Kingfishers.

Friday: Sports club, run by Coach Owen 3.15-4.15. This is open to Puffins and Skylarks.



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TERM DATES 2017

Tuesday 21st March: Parents evening

Friday 24th March: Red Nose Day

Friday 7 April 2017: School closes for Easter

Monday 24 April: School re-opens

Monday 1 May 2017: School closed for May Day bank holiday

Friday 26 May 2017: School closes for half term

Monday 5 June 2017: Inset day

Tuesday 6 June 2017: Inset day

Wednesday 7 June 2017: School re-opens

Friday 21 July 2017: School closes for summer break

Monday 4 September 2017: School re-opens