



Headteacher's Bulletin

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Headteacher's message:

I would like to thank all who attended our 60th Birthday Exhibition. It was a fantastic celebration of our children's work and celebration of Hillside's 60th Birthday. We have received some great feedback including much appreciation for our brilliant Y5 and Y6 tour guides who did a fantastic job.



Last week, Year Six had a wonderful time on their MinYDon residential—a fantastic way to kick off what will be their final year at Hillside. Thanks to Mr Newman, Mr Cook and Mrs Moore for taking them. Year 6 parents, please see the attached flier with details of the Helsby High School open evening next Thursday at 6.15pm.



Further to last terms communication survey, class teachers will continue to email you a weekly round up each Friday. This bulletin will now be emailed fortnightly as well as posted on the school website.



Adam Khan—Headteacher



Free School Meals

Please check if you are eligible for Free School Meals by using this eligibility checker. Not only does your child receive Free School Meals, but school receives additional funding called Pupil Premium towards additional curriculum support. Therefore we would also like to encourage all families (including KS1 families) to apply to allow school to access additional funding support as soon as possible. Those currently in receipt of FSM have also received additional household support funding during school holidays in the form of Tesco vouchers.

[Click here to see if you are eligible and to apply for FSM](#)

Attendance Reminder

Parent(s)/carer(s) should avoid booking a family holiday during term time. Parent(s)/carer(s) do not have the right to take their child or young person out of school for such a holiday. Head Teachers can only authorise holidays during term-time in very exceptional circumstances. A request for absence form should be completed prior to absence and is available on our website or from the school office. If a parent/carers chooses to take their child out of school for 5 days or more without the approval of the Head Teacher, they may be issued with a Fixed Penalty Notice. You can find our policy on the website [here](#)

We further want to remind parents/carers that you must contact the school office using the attendance line or email admin@hillside.cheshire.sch.uk each day of the child absence due to illness. **Please contact us by 9.15am**, stating what symptoms your child has, when they started to feel unwell, if doctor's appointment has been made and when they are likely to return to school. **If you just state 'poorly, ill or not well' the school office**

Parking

Please ensure that when parking on Bates lane that you do not park in front of driveways. Please also switch engines off when waiting. As much as we appreciate the limited parking available to parents, we must also consider our neighbours. Thank you to parents who have been parking further away from school and walking to collect/ pick up their children. We would also like to encourage a one way system travelling up Bates Lane from Chester Road, exiting onto Old Chester Road and round past the cemetery.

Diary Dates 2024: (new in red)

25th September—FOH PTA Meeting 7pm Horn's Mill Pub

30th September—Reception '25 Open Morning

1st October—KS2 Harvest Breakfast

2nd October—KS1 Harvest Breakfast

3rd October—Parents' Reading Meeting 5pm

4th October—Harvest Assembly 2pm St Paul's Church

25th October—Finish for October half-term

5th November—Children return to school

Annual Book Fair 30/09—02/10

Our annual book fair will open to customers after school from Monday 30th September until Wednesday 2nd October. You can have a preview of the books available using [this link](#). Children will have been given time in the day to have a look at the books available. If you wish to purchase any books, please come into school using the Y5 and Y2 doors once you have collected your child at the end of the day. Please note that payment can be made by cash only.

St Paul's Harvest Service—Friday 4th October 2pm

Parents are welcome to join us for our annual Harvest Service at St Paul's Church, Helsby at 2pm on Friday 4th October. Each class will contribute to what is always a special service with our fabulous Reception class making their Hillside debut performance!

Parents Reading Meeting 03/10 at 5pm

On Thursday 3rd October at 5pm, parents are encouraged to join us for a reading meeting where teachers will be sharing some important information on how we can work together to develop your child's reading—the most vital key to wider academic success. The meeting will last about 40 minutes and you will have an opportunity to speak to your child's teacher.

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:

Please see the attached FOH newsletter inviting you to their next meeting at 7pm on the 25th September at the Horn's Mill Pub.

FOH can be contacted on

friendsofhillsidefundraising@outlook.com

[Click here for school lottery!](#)



Reception 2025 Open Days

We will be inviting prospective parents for Reception 2025 intake into school for an open morning on:

Monday 30th September

Thursday 24th October

Wednesday 13th November

On each of these days there will be tours of the school at 9.15am and 10am.

Contact details:

Please contact the school office to notify or request absence at: admin@hillside.cheshire.sch.uk

or call **01928 722 991**

Website links: [School website](#) [Absence request](#)

[Administering medicine consent](#) [Lunch Menu](#)

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**Pupils feel happy and
enjoy their learning**
(Ofsted July 2023)



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Year 6 Open Evening

Thursday 26th September 2024

5:30-7:30pm

(depending on your Primary School)

We will be operating two main talks during the evening. We have divided the students into two different sessions depending on the Primary School they currently attend:

5:30pm - Ashton Hayes, Elton, Frodsham CofE, Horn's Mill, Kingsley CP and St Luke's.

6:15pm - Alvanley and Manley, Aston by Sutton, Frodsham Manor House, Helsby Hillside, Kingsley St John's, Frodsham Primary Academy and all other schools.