




Happiness  
Esteem  
Achievement  
Responsibility and Respect  
Truth  
Spirituality and Service

# Hilltop Junior School

Hill Avenue, Wickford, Essex, SS11 8LT  
Email: [hilltopjun.admin@heartsacademy.uk](mailto:hilltopjun.admin@heartsacademy.uk)  
Website: <http://hearts-hilltopjun.uk>  
Tel: 01268 734649  
 @HilltopJun



Head of School: Mrs A Waite

## Weekly Newsletter

Friday 14th September 2018  
Newsletter No: 2

**Attendance w/beg:** 5 September 2018  
Whole School: 98.83%  
Classes of the week: 5H with 100%  
**Well done!**

3F: 99.26%	3LA: 97.78%	3RV: 99.23%
4A: 99.26%	4G: 96.79%	4PD: 98.28%
5H: 100%	5K: 99.26%	5P: 98.85%
6G: 99.31%	6LT: 98.62%	6W: 99.31%

### Letters Home This Week

Parents Evening & Clubs Booking System  
Lower School Curriculum Evening  
Upper School Curriculum Evening  
Year 6 Residential Visit kit list and meeting date

### Jeans for Genes

In recognition of the above charity we will be holding a **non uniform day on Friday 21 September** where children may wear something made of denim to school in return for a £1 donation.

**Week Beginning: 17th September 2018**

**School Dinners**  
Week 3



### Upcoming Diary Dates

#### September

20 Upper School Curriculum Evening  
21 Jeans for Genes  
24 School Photographer  
25 Lower School Curriculum Evening  
26 Year 6 Liddington Meeting

#### October

1 Assessment Week  
9 Whole school open morning  
12 Last day of half term  
29 Children return to school  
29 Year 6 Residential Visit to PGL Liddington

#### November

6 Parents Evening 3.30 to 5.00 pm  
7 Parents Evening 3.30 to 5.00 pm and 6.00 to 8.00 pm

#### December

3 Assessment Week  
7 HJSA Disco  
12 Lower School Production  
13 Lower School Production  
19 Last day of Autumn term

### Clubs

This term we will continue with outside agencies running some of our after school clubs for which there will be a small charge payable on the day to the instructor.

**Dodgeball:** Run by Elite Sport started 13th September for all years from 3.15 - 4.15 pm. £3.50 per week.  
**Tennis:** Run by Sports4Fun, will commence in October (further details to follow)  
**Football:** Years 3/4 run by Mr Herring on Fridays from 21st September, 3.15 - 4.15 pm.  
Years 5/6 run by Mr Waterhouse on Tuesdays from 18th September, 3.15 - 4.15 pm  
**Netball:** Run by Miss Fellowes on Mondays, from 17th September, 3.15 - 4.15 pm  
**Dance:** Run by Mrs Ayeni and Miss Arthur on Mondays, from 17th September, 3.15 - 4.15 pm  
**Choir:** Run by Mrs Leech on Tuesdays, from 25th September 3.15 - 4.10 pm booking details to follow

Children have been given a letter to bring home with an individual code to enable you to book places on line for the in-house clubs starting next week. Bookings will be open from 7.30 pm tonight (Friday 14th September) on a first reply basis. However, if you do not have access to the internet, our office staff will be pleased to make a booking, depending on availability, from Monday morning onwards.

We are still hoping to arrange more clubs this term and further details will follow.

**Secondary School Admissions**

For parents who have children in Year 6 who will be starting Secondary School (Year 7) in September 2019 the school admission process has opened. Applications can be made online via [www.essex.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.essex.gov.uk/admissions) and the closing date is **31 October 2018**. Applications received after this date will be considered as late and you may reduce your chance of being offered a place at your preferred school. Please remember it is the responsibility of parents to apply for a school place at the correct times.

**Bromfords School**

We have been asked to let you know that parental tours recommence on 17th September to 19th October, with an Open Evening taking place on Thursday 4th October between 5.30 and 8.30 pm.

**Parking**

It is very important to us that children and their families feel safe and happy on their way into and out of school. Can we therefore please remind you that cars should not be parked on the road markings, on bends, across driveways or on pavements. No parents or carers should drive onto the school site unless by prior arrangement with the office staff at the Infant or Junior schools.

Please would all parents/carers take extra care to park safely and appropriately. Staff are currently needing to spend time dealing with cross parents and neighbours and this time would be better spent teaching and caring for your children.

Please pass this message on to any adults who also currently drop off your children to school.

**Residents concerns:**

We have been asked by residents to remind you of the danger a small number of parents are causing by driving onto the footway by our Hill Avenue entrance. Also that parking is not permitted in the residents car park and garage area outside number 90 to 104 Hill Avenue. We are saddened that some residents have recently been intimidated by some of our parents and have asked that for the future they provide us with the car registration of any offender so that we can "name and shame".

Thank you for your continued support to keep our school a safe place for everyone.

**Music lessons - Guitar places still available!**

We currently have vacancies should your child like to learn to play the guitar. The current cost per term is £75 (for low income families there is a £46.50 voucher available towards the cost). If you are unable to buy an instrument Essex Music Services offer a very reasonable hire service. All the necessary information and forms can be obtained from the school office. Places are allocated on a first reply basis.

**School Nurse Drop In**

Please do have a confidential chat with our school nurse if you are worried about your child's health. The drop in sessions are as follows:

Highcliffe Delivery Site, Rettendon View, SS11 8JE. Tel 01268 720170. 3.30 - 4.30 pm every 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month.

Wickford CLC, Grange Avenue, SS12 0LZ. Tel 01268 562879. 3.30 - 4.30 pm every 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month.

**Pierced ears—Jewellery**

May we also please remind you that the only jewellery allowed are stud earrings and watches. Stud earrings must be removed during PE for health and safety reasons, in order for children to participate. If you want to know what days your child has PE, please speak to the school office.

**Discussions with teacher**

If you wish to speak to your class teacher, please ask for an appointment through the school office. Could we politely ask you not to go to the classroom door via the Infant School. Thank you

**Staff Training**

On Wednesday 12th September, staff from Hilltop Infant and Junior School received training on Stonewall. Stonewall is an organisation to help prevent the bullying or discrimination towards any person regardless of sexuality, ethnicity, religion, etc. The very sad statistics demonstrate what a serious issue bullying can be with over 25% of young Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual people attempting to take their own lives due to discrimination. The aim of Stonewall, as well as HEARTS, is to make our schools and communities a safe and loving environment for everyone to feel accepted in so that we can all be who we are. The main theme which we encourage all parents to share at home is 'Everyone is different, Everyone is special'.

**Twitter**

We are pleased to say that your response to our Twitter feeds has been fantastic. Please keep following and reading the posts.

**Parental Volunteers**

Do you have half an hour to spare, a morning or an afternoon to be a volunteer in school? We are looking for help with reading, swimming and trips. If you have some time to spare, please contact the school office.