

# Hilbre High School Humanities College Parents' Newsletter



## 28th September 2015 – Week A

Date	Event
Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> September	
Tuesday 29th September	Open Morning 9.30-11.20am
Wednesday 30 <sup>th</sup> September	Year 11-13 Photograph 51 trip to London
Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> October	School Photographs
Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> October	School Photographs

#### Dear Parents/Carers

As we approach the end of September the school is now in full swing. I continue to be impressed with the students and how their their uniform, punctuality and attitudes to learning are all really positive. As I walk around the school I see very exciting lessons taking place and students fully engaged in their learning.

We had our first meeting of the Governing Body this week and they too were pleased with the way all at Hilbre have started the new academic year. We also welcomed parents of our Year 12 students to an informal parents' evening. Our students in the 6<sup>th</sup> Form have also made a very positive start and are now settled on to their Level 3 courses.

We have recently appointed 4 new colleagues; 2 that work in English and 2 in Mathematics. Their roles are to work with students that are struggling in these subjects or who need an extra challenge to get higher grades. I am confident that this will continue our efforts to improve outcomes for students.

I would like to thank Miss Mackie for all her efforts with fund raising to support the Macmillan Nurses.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mark Bellamy Interim Principal

## **HILBRE STARS OF THE WEEK**

## **HOYLE HOUSE**

Name of Student	Form
Thomas Waterman	7AMA
Harry Boffey	7EGU
Sofia Murad	8AEL
Spencer Murphy	8HRO
Ryan Evans	9TBA
Callum Grey	9NMO
Harry Saunders	10KAR
Haydn Bailey-Walsh	10KPE
Shirin Tahmasebi	11LHA
Nathan Hawker	11TBL

#### **ROYDEN HOUSE**

Name of Student	Form
Michael Gannon	7RST
Gracie-Mae Herbert	7NST
Freya Roberts	8TMA
William Fennah	8SBU
Elliiot Mackie	9AFY
Ryan Senior	9MHE
Jessica Bradley	10NAR
Brandon Scott	10FLE
Lydia Hardman	11SMK
Harriet Harrison	11PLE

#### **DEE HOUSE**

Name of Student	Form
Kate Young	7KMI
Alan Jackson	7MKN
Nathan Jones	8SFL
Leo Henshaw	8KTE
Louis Williams	9LEA
Jordan Fawkes	9SRO
Jack Gibson	10JCL
Matthew Coburn	10JWA
Liam Bicket	11NMA
Ellie Byford	11SHO

## **SCHOOL EVENTS THIS TERM**

Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> September – Open Morning, 9.30-11.20am Interim Principal's talk 9.30am.

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> October – Welcome to Key Stage 4 Evening

Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> October – Friends of Hilbre High School meeting 6-7pm

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> October – UCAS deadline for applicants to Medicine, Oxford and Cambridge

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> October – Year 7 "Meet the Form Teacher" Evening, 5-7pm

Monday 26<sup>th</sup> – Friday 30<sup>th</sup> October – October Half Term

#### **GREENPOWER ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHALLENGE**

Our team took part this week at Aintree race course. The first event went well where we covered a distance of 29.3 miles over the 90 minute time. The second race was disappointing due to weather conditions, wind and driving rain. The race was stopped a few times due to vehicles sliding off the track, etc. However, our team performed well with quick 12 second pit stops. We are hoping that the distance covered is far enough to qualify the team for the final in October. Thanks to parents and sponsors that supported us at the race.

We are still looking for sponsorship for our Engineering Club that runs every Tuesday after school. For further information please contact Mr Gregg (greggj@hilbre.wirral.sch.uk).

## **FRIENDS OF HILBRE**

Friends of Hilbre 50:50; if you would like to keep your number from last year please send your £12 into the School Office clearly marked 50:50 for the attention of Mrs Myers along with your name and your child's form.

If you would like to join the 50:50 Club, please send £12 into school with your name, child's name, form and your e-mail address and Mrs Myers will issue you with a number. For further information, please contact myerse@hilbre.wirral.sch.uk

## DOCTOR/DENTAL APPOINTMENTS IN THE SCHOOL DAY

If your child/ward has a Doctor's or Dental appointment within the school day, please ensure they bring the details to the Main Office/House Office or their Form Teacher. This allows us to issue your child with a permission note to leave the site, as pupils are required to sign out of school.

Thank you.

Mrs Cundall
Office Manager

## **6<sup>TH</sup> FORM**

All Mock Examinations will start for 6<sup>th</sup> Form students on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November. It is important that students prepare well by attending Directed Study and planning a revision timetable at home. Study Skills advice can be found on the school website in the Learning and Support section.

## **SHOW MY HOMEWORK**

We do not give out parental logins for Show My Homework; we only issue logins to pupils. If you require access to SMHW then you can use the filters on the right and filter down to your child or you can ask your child for their login and use that.

If you have any queries regarding SMHW then please e-mail ictsupport@hilbre.wirral.sch.uk in school hours and we will assist in the first instance. Thank you.

#### **ICT Support**

#### SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

These will be taking place as follows:

Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> October Single

Single photographs for Years 7, 9, 11 and 6<sup>th</sup> Form

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> October Form photographs for Years 7, 8, 10 and 11

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#### **MATHEMATICS HOMEWORK FOR YEARS 7 - 10**

The Mathematics Department has recently subscribed to the Pearson online homework package called Active Learn and for each unit of work, pupils will be expected to complete a number of homeworks.

Pupils have been shown how to login and use this package during their Mathematics lessons over the past fortnight but to assist parents and carers the login process is summarised below:

- Click on the **Active Learn icon** on the front page of Moodle.
- Login is their normal computer login with the word **hilbre** at the front. Please note the first letter of their surname and their initial must be in capitals.
- Password is hilbre123 unless they have changed it. It can be reset by the teachers, if necessary.

I hope this information is helpful, but should your child encounter any problems, please e-mail me at bassettt@hilbre.wirral.sch.uk

#### Mr Bassett

**Progress Leader: Mathematics** 

#### 'PHOTOGRAPH 51' FEATURING NICOLE KIDMAN - BIOLOGY TRIP TO LONDON

On Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> September students will be required to come to school at the normal time, 8.45am in casual clothes. There is some walking involved throughout the day so trainers and comfortable clothes will be required. Students will need a waterproof coat.

Students should bring a packed lunch for the train and some money for an evening meal, which will be in Covent Garden. Students will also be able to go into the shops in Covent Garden so they may wish to bring some spending money and will be allowed to go around Covent Garden for an hour but must stay in groups of at least 3.

We will be returning on the 20.07pm train from London Euston and will arrive at Liverpool Lime Street at 22.25pm where we will be picked up by a coach and will return to school for 22.50pm. Students will need to be picked up from school at that point and are expected to be in school on 1st October at normal time.

Jane Whisker Interim Vice Principal

#### **RUGBY**

## Boys (all years) training Tuesday 15:30 – 16:45pm Girls training Monday 15:30 – 16:45pm

This year we have entered the Cheshire Shield, the second tier of the County Cup competitions. The teams competing in this are Years 8, 9, 11 and 1<sup>st</sup> XV. For these games we would welcome all support from parents.

All fixtures for the whole year can be found on our school sports website www.hilbrehighsports.co.uk. found at the top of our school website under Sports Fixtures.

# **Rugby Fixtures/Results For September Updated**

Tue**29 Sep**2015

**9** 16:00 **Rugby Union U13A** 

v Central Venue League

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#### Wed30 Sep2015 16:00 v Mosslands School **Rugby Union U15A** Α 16:00 **Rugby Union U16A** v Mosslands School Н Thu**1 Oct**2015 16:00 **Rugby Union U14A** v Mosslands School Α v Mosslands School 16:00 **Rugby Union U12A** Η Tue 6 Oct 2015 16:00 **Rugby Union U16A, U15A** v Central Venue League Α

## **FOOTBALL**

Boys' football training for all years takes place every Wednesday. Girls' football takes place every Thursday. Please look on the sports fixture website for more details.

Congratulations and thank you to all managers and players this week!

#### Results

Year 7	Hilbre	3	Ridgeway	1
Year 8	Hilbre	5	Ridgeway	5
Year 9	Ridgeway	3	Hilbre	6
Year 10	Hilbre	3	Ridgeway	1
Year 11	Ridgeway	4	Hilbre	3

Next week Merseyside football cup matches are as follows:

Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> September Year 7 away at UAB. Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> September Year 9 away at Hillside High. Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> October Year 11 away at St Edmunds Arrowsmith Liverpool

Mr Teasdale PE Teacher

#### **SPORTS KIT**

There are a minority of pupils who attend their PE lesson not equipped with kit. Would parents please check with their child when they have PE lessons and ensure that their child attends these PE lessons fully equipped with kit.

During the half term, if a pupil comes to their lesson without kit, in the first instance, we will phone home/use call parent. The second time they do not bring kit we will issue them with a lunch/break detention. Any future 'no kit' will result in an after school detention. Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.

Mr Blackstock

Progress Leader: PE

#### **ENERGY DRINKS**

As a 'Healthy School' we are becoming increasingly concerned with the number of students drinking energy drinks with a high caffeine content. One particular brand of energy drink contains more caffeine than two cups of coffee, and this can make students feel irritable and restless.

The Food Standards Agency recommends that drinks with a high caffeine content are labelled with 'not recommended for children'. Therefore, we no longer allow students to drink such energy drinks on the school site. This includes Red Bull, Monster and Rockstar.

We appreciate all of your support in this matter, and would ask parents and carers not to buy these drinks for students to bring into school.

#### **CHARTWELLS' MENUS**

#### **Meal Deal**

Available from the canteen every day and includes:

Main meal

Cake/cookie/fruit/pudding

Couplet drink

