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Principal's Welcome

Newsletter: 9th September 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you have all had a wonderful summer break and enjoyed some well-deserved time with family and friends. We hope everyone is feeling refreshed and ready for the exciting year ahead.

It was lovely to see everyone's smiling faces as they began the new academic year at Hillside Primary School last Wednesday.

Start of the School Day

Please remember that our school doors open at **8:25am** each morning for **Breakfast Club in all classes**. We encourage children to arrive promptly so they can settle into the day and make the most of the opportunities available before lessons begin.

Parking

Walking to school is good for children's health and the environment. We know that parents see the benefits of walking to school, including improvements in mood and behaviour in their children. From reduced congestion to health and mood improvements, the whole community benefits when more children walk to school. If you do drive to school, please park on Ing Lane or surrounding streets and walk the down Headfield Road. Please be mindful of neighbours and do not park on yellow lines or the roundabout.

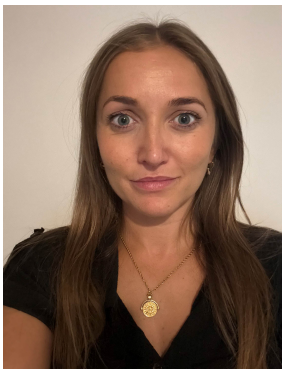
Welcoming New Staff

We are pleased to introduce several new members of staff who have joined our Hillside team:

- **Miss Robinson** – Vice Principal



- **Mrs Walker** – Assistant Headteacher and SENDCO



- **Mrs Reynold-Browne** – Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL)



- **Mr Cowie** – Site Manager



- **Mrs Mustafa** – Pandas class teacher



We know they will be a wonderful addition to our school community, and we are excited for them to be part of the Hillside family.

Classroom Entrances

To help ensure a smooth start and finish to the school day, please use the following entrances:

Playground Side Entrance

Sharks Penguins Pandas Lemurs Wolves
Rhinos

Front of School Entrance

EYFS Whales Leopards Tigers

Arbor and Class Dojo

Please ensure you are signed up to Arbor. This is the system we use for attendance, lunches, school trips and parent communication.

Class teachers use Class Dojo to send class linked information to parents. Please ask your child's class teacher for a sign up code for Class Dojo, if you have not signed up already.

Uniform

School uniform is one of the ways we show that we are a community, so please make sure that your child is wearing the correct school uniform. Shoes must be black - plain black trainers are also suitable. If you need help with uniform please speak to the office, who can refer you to uniform exchange.

Looking Ahead

We are incredibly excited about the year ahead and the opportunities it will bring for all our pupils. Thank you for your continued support and partnership. Together, we will ensure that every child has a happy, successful and memorable year at Hillside.

Safeguarding at Hillside

Safeguarding is extremely important to us. If you have any concerns or would like to speak to a member of staff, please get in touch.

Our Safeguarding Team:



Cathryn Reynolds-Browne—DSL



Naz Ismail—DDSL



Sarah Barlow— DDSL



Serann Thornton—DDSL



Nicole Robinson—DDSL

Class Teachers 2026 - 27

EYFS - Owls - Mr Hussain, Miss Pearson, Miss Tariq, Miss Kauser, Miss Sykes, Miss Sullivan

Year 1/2 Penguins - Miss Chalk, Miss Cook, Mrs Baines

Year 1/2 Sharks – Mrs Lamont, Miss Gill, Miss Ishaq

Year 1/2 - Pandas—Mrs Mustafa, Miss Hanif

Year 3/4 Whales—Miss Richards, Miss Kimmings

Year 3/4 Wolves - Mr Alsop, Mrs Haddouche, Mrs Steele

Year 4 Lemurs – Mrs Ali, Mrs Rhodes, Miss Ramsden, Miss Whitehead

Year 5/6 Leopards – Mr Amjad, Miss Dziopa

Year 5/6 Rhinos - Miss Lachman, Miss Benjamin, Miss Razaq

Year 6 Tigers - Miss Storer, Miss Kimmings

Term Dates 26-27

Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
Wednesday 2nd September – First Day back	Monday 4 th January – INSET day school closed	Monday 12 th April – Back to school
Friday 2 nd October – INSET day school closed	Tuesday 5 th January - Back to school	Monday 3 rd May – School closed May Day
Thursday 22 nd October – Break up for October half term	Friday 12 th February – Break up for February half term	Thursday 27 th May – Break up for May Half-term
Friday 23 rd October – INSET day school closed	Monday 22 nd February – Back to school	Friday 28 th May – INSET – school closed
Monday 2 nd November – Back to school	Thursday 25 th March – Break up for Easter	Monday 7 th June – INSET – school closed
Friday 18 th December – Break up for Christmas holidays		Tuesday 8 th June – Back to school
		Wednesday 21 st July – Break up for Summer holidays