



Hillside Primary School & Nursery

'Achieving Greatness Together'

Friday 6th October, 2023



Dear Parents and Carers,
I hope you are well.

At Hillside Primary School, we recognise the importance of providing meaningful feedback so we emphasise high

expectations and fully believe pupils can meet them. Teachers will use a **pink pen/highlighter** ('Pink for praise') to identify positive aspects that are linked to a learning question. When setting a next-step, staff use a **green pen** for the children to respond to also using a **green pen**. We are also embedding self and peer assessment strategies to support feedback.

TAG Peer Assessment	
Assess your peer's work by following the steps below:	
T 	Tell your partner something they liked about their work...
A 	Ask your partner a question about their work...
G 	Give your partner a point for improvement... (Green for growth!)

It has been lovely to see so many parents and carers attending our school events this week. Thank you to

Miss Chamberlain and Mrs Tibbitts for leading our Reading workshops and to Miss Hazelwood and Miss Ola for leading our coffee morning on Wednesday . We hope you all found it useful!

It has also been a pleasure to welcome 3 visitors from Ofsted this week. Thank you for your feedback via the parent survey. This feedback is extremely important to us as part of our school development .

Wishing you and your family a wonderful weekend!

Thank you for all your ongoing support.

Best wishes,

Mrs Wass

SELF-ASSESSMENT	
How did I do?	
	I can do this! I am ready to try something new!
	I am getting there. I need a bit more help. I'm a bit unsure. I might need to practise.
	I need help! I don't understand this. I'm not ready to move on yet.



Be smart on the internet

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S SAFE Keep safe by being careful not to give out personal information – such as your full name, email address, phone number, home address, photos or school name – to people you are chatting with online.

M MEETING Meeting someone you have only been in touch with online can be dangerous. Only do so with your parents' or carers' permission and even then only when they can be present.

A ACCEPTING Accepting emails, IM messages, or opening files, pictures or texts from people you don't know or trust can lead to problems – they may contain viruses or nasty messages!

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t TELL Tell your parent, carer or a trusted adult if someone or something makes you feel uncomfortable or worried, or if you or someone you know is being bullied online. You can report online abuse to the police at www.thinkuknow.co.uk

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Hillside Heroes

If you would like to praise a member of staff, please use this

link: <https://forms.gle/N5LMsWXPJvXht5CM6>



As part of our ongoing work on Diversity and Inclusion, our assemblies this week have focused on Black History month.

Language of the month

This month, we are learning Lithuanian

'Hi – Labas'

Diary Dates

*End of half term- Friday 20th
October*

*Start of second half of autumn
term - Monday 30th October,
please note this is a non pupil
day.*

*Tuesday 31st October—
Children return to school*

*Flu vaccinations: 31st
October*

*Individual photographs: 6th
November*

*Coming soon...information
about parents evening*



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Attendance and punctuality

As you know, a good education gives your child the best possible start in life. Their time in the primary school prepares them for transfer to secondary school and gives them a secure foundation to build on. If you need any support with attendance matters, please contact a member of staff.



Attendance at Hillside Primary School

Every day counts!

Dolphin 96.3%
Butterfly 95%
Badger 94.6%
Ladybird 94.3%
Kingfisher 94%
Puffin 94%
Seal 94%
Wren 93.3%
Osprey 93%
Kestrel 92.3%
Hedgehog 91.4%
Robin 90.6%
Fox 90%
Squirrel 86.8%
Deer 86.5%

Overall attendance is 92.4% Target is 96%

Well done to Dolphins for achieving the best class attendance this week!