



Hill Avenue Academy

Newsletter



Welcome Back!

Welcome back to the second half of our Spring Term. This half term is 6 weeks long and will end on Thursday 1st April.

We are thrilled and excited that all pupils will return to school on Monday 8th March in line with government guidance announced on the Covid-19 pandemic recently.

Over the course of the first two weeks of this half term, our remote learning offer will still be in place as it has been so far this year.

Therefore, please ensure that you are accessing learning through Microsoft Teams up until Monday 8th March.

All the very best from: Mr Harvey, Mr Gibbons, Miss Nair, Mrs Evans and Mr Cartwright.

Thank you!

We have been amazed and blown away by all of the fantastic learning and efforts you have put into remote learning over the past half term.

We appreciate all of the hardwork you, your families and carers have put into supporting you during these unprecedented and difficult times.

Alongside your remote learning, we have thoroughly enjoyed seeing pictures many of you have sent in of you learning new skills or spending time with your families. From baking cakes to family walks, it has been fantastic to see many of you embracing the challenges you and your families have faced.



Returning to school

We have been amazed with how resilient our children in school have been with the changes they have faced. We are looking forward to welcoming all of our children back on Monday 8th March.

Upon returning, please remember to only bring your coat, lunchbox and any medical supplies in as we aim to keep all of our children and staff safe as the pandemic is still ongoing.

All adults on, or near, our school grounds are required to wear a face mask please to protect yourselves and other families around you.



Useful Links

School Website:

<https://www.hillavenueacademy.com/children/home-learning-page-hill-avenue>

YouTube:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCp1YU1_MXpxWdTytnsE40Wg

Email addresses

If you require support at any time, please email:

Year1@hillavenueacademy.com

Year2@hillavenueacademy.com

Additional learning

You can use any of the above apps or resources we offer as a school for remote learning at any time. These will continue to be available when the children return to school.

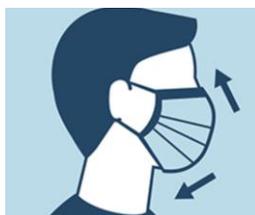
Afterschool virtual clubs continue to be available. These are:

Computing club – Mr Harvey

Cooking club – Miss Nair

Science club – Mr Gibbons

These can be accessed through our school's YouTube channel.



ADDITIONAL

Information

Online Reading Diary

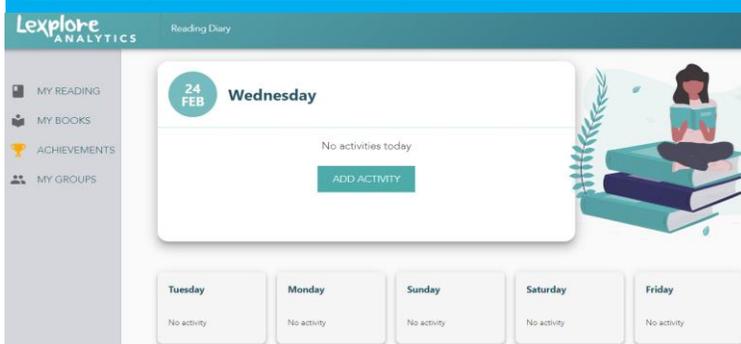
We have had the privilege of developing a working partnership with a company called Lexplore Analytics who are based in Sweden. Lexplore are a pioneering company in leading educational innovations.

We have teamed up with Lexplore to use, develop and create innovative ways of enhancing the way we can collaborate with you as parents/ carers to work together in creating fantastic futures for your children.

Currently, we are trialling the use of an online reading diary to reduce paper use in making us, and the world, more sustainable. First of all, we want to say thank you to all the families who have already signed up for the reading diary. If you have not done so already, you will be sent a link via Parentmail to connect your child to their class. The reading diary app works on any device with internet connection and is simple in it's use.

A tutorial on using the software can be found here:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wqmVr_HuhfM&feature=youtu.be



Device loaning return

If you have loaned a device from Hill Avenue Academy during this recent lockdown we are expecting you to return the device upon your child returning to school on Monday 8th March.

This is in line with device loan agreement which was signed upon you taking the device(s) from school. Can you please ensure the device is returned in the same working condition it was handed out with all of the relevant casing and chargers attached.

Failure to return the device upon your child returning to school will result in charges as signed for in the device loan agreement.

Recovery Curriculum

We are incredibly aware that every child across the UK has missed valuable time in school as part of their education. We have devised a bespoke recovery curriculum through our timetabling to ensure our children at Hill Avenue Academy can make rapid and sustained rates of progress to close any gaps in learning there may be due to time away from school.

We have ensured there are additional learning opportunities in the core subjects alongside a balance of foundation subjects to ensure the children are still taught a broad and balanced curriculum. However, we have also ensured that we have time for the children to develop socially, physically and mentally as they return to normality back in school.