



Mr Wilson's Weekly Message



The end of a term gives me the useful chance to reflect on what we are doing well, as well as how we could do better. The Spring term has offered students plenty of challenges. From simply being able to get to school through the ice and snow, to a set of mock exams that tested both their short and long term memory.

It has also brought about opportunities. We have recognised the incredible sense of community that we have by starting our PTA. We have also seen students' honesty as they have found valuable items belonging to members of the academy or the public, and have handed them straight into reception, seeking no reward. Our students' respect for their community has also been evident in the past fortnight, as we have had our Easter prizes out on display in the main corridor. The Easter eggs were placed there to motivate pupils to complete as many hours on Hegarty Maths and Accelerated Reader as possible. I have every trust in our pupils that these tempting treats can be in the corridor, unsupervised, and that only those who win them will take them home.

Year 7 Field Work

On Friday 23rd Ms Reiss took 60 students from 7D-7A to the Thames River at Chiswick to investigate processes and features. This was an opportunity to see what some of the geography students are learning about in lessons in the real world and deepen their understanding of rivers, but also to have some fun! The teachers had a great time too – especially when we spotted the Oxford University rowing team training for the boat race.

The students awarded with a free place for their excellent effort and hard work in geography were: Jack, Sebastian, Hamza, Samuel, Shyloh, Chamiah, Adem and Laili.

Here's what some of the students had to say:

"I had an amazing time on the geography trip! I explored a pier on the River Thames, waded into the river to find, catch and discover different species. I learnt amazing things and disturbing things... London is sinking! I enjoyed everything!" Adem, 7A

"The geography trip was very fun. I learnt a lot about rivers. We went down to the foreshore and investigated which creatures were living in the Thames. On Friday during low-tide, the river was only 2.56m deep!" Tania, 7A.



Mr Wilson's Commendations

Though the Easter holidays are fast approaching, our students show no signs of winding down, both in the classroom and at home. Congratulations this week go to the following pupils, who made it to the top of our maths, science and English leader boards:

This week's Hegarty Leader Board is as follows:

Year 11- Elizabeth

Year 10- Nyam

Year 9- Jamil

Year 8- Abdulahi

Year 7- Molly



Elizabeth has topped the whole school leader board for a fourth consecutive week, smashing through the target of 12 hours to win an Easter egg. Well done Elizabeth.

In Tassomai this week we have to say congratulations to Jack and Danyall in Year 11, who have answered the most questions correctly in the past week. Well done to both and keep up the hard work.

This week's top readers are Lindrit, Luna, Mirren and Adem. It was Veritas' turn to top the leader board this week, with 7 pupils reading over 10,000 words in one week. An amazing effort by all pupils and well done to Mme. Subhan.

First Give

This week our First Give project came to an end. Over the past term Year 8 tutor groups have been researching and choosing charities to fund raise for. Throughout the term we have had a range of fundraising events. From car washes to sponsored silences, it's fair to say pupils really rose to the challenge. On Tuesday pupils presented their work to parents and staff, and the winning tutor group was awarded a bonus £1,000 for their charity. The winning tutor group was 8B, who rose over £120 from their bake sale and



sponsored silence and gave a fantastic presentation about their chosen charity, Mind. Congratulations to all the pupils who took part, the money raised is going to a fantastic cause.



THA Rugby

Last week 7 of our Year 9 pupils competed in the National School Sevens as part of the Middlesex All Schools team, competing against some of the strongest rugby schools in the country.

Over half of the team was made up by Hurlingham Academy pupils: Rio, Sergio, Tibo, Donald, Nam, Malachi and Omari.

They were the core of the team and brought energy, enthusiasm and some notably big tackles to the matches. Their coach was extremely impressed with how they all performed, and especially by how they represented their school with pride and a 'never back down' attitude. Well done to all those who took part.



Getting to know you— Mme Ling

Name: Mme Ling

Job: Head of mathematics and Head of Houses

Favourite Book: The Rosie Project by Graeme Simsion, I couldn't put it down. In fact it is the only book I've ever managed to read cover to cover in one day.

Interesting fact about me: Though I am yet to learn to drive a car, I am very good at the helm of a boat and I spent a lot of my childhood on the water..... Not a very useful skill when you live in London!

Favourite thing about working at THA: I know everyone says this but it has to be the sense of community. I love how we all work together and support each other.



Key dates for week beginning April 16th -week 1

Description	Date	Time
Year 11 back to school	Monday 16 th April	8.25am
Whole school returns	Tuesday 17 th April	8.25am
Year 11 Exam Essentials Evening	Thursday 19 th April	5.00pm



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