

# Mr Wilson's Weekly Message



The Academy has been a hive of activity this week with our annual House Drop Down project on Wednesday and Thursday. Every classroom has been jam packed full of creative energy, ideas flowing, teams working together and competitive fever. It really has been the best year yet! I have emphasised many times that we are not an exams factory and at Hurlingham it is important that we grow young people who are capable of going out into society as adults and contrib-

uting through their work but also their character. We educate the whole child and hope to give students not only the results they need to celebrate academic success but also meaningful and inspiring opportunities and experiences here. This week has been all about delivering on just that and as you read this we will be ending the week with a momentous Sports Day at Barn Elms. It has been truly fantastic to see how our students have responded to these opportunities. I will be announcing the winners in next week's newsletter...watch this space!

# New prefects!

We are delighted to be able to introduce you to our newest cohort of prefects who were appointed this week. They all submitted amazing applications supported by strong references from their teachers and now looking forward to leading the school over the year ahead. What fantastic role models for our school!





### **Drop Down Day House Event!**

On Wednesday and Thursday this week, the whole school were off timetable to take part in ta fantastic House event where creative, teamwork and leadership skills were all put to the test. The two days culminated in some amazing final presentations on Thursday afternoon and we could not be prouder of the way that each House worked together. Below is a write up of the event from Max Wilson in Year 10 for Unitas.





What have we been doing? - Unitas were assigned to do a House project based on The Hunger Games. This included a variety of things being made, written, and performed. Walking around the entire school, you could see all Unitas members from Year 7 all the way up to Year 10 diligently working away at whichever part of the project they were assigned.

**Why do we do these House projects?** - The main reason for these days is to build a

sense of unity and friendship within our Houses, to create a fun way of competing for

House points and to work on general management and leadership skills.

What have I learnt? - I have learnt about the importance of having good teamwork skills, have improved my writing, painting, and designing skills. I have also formed stronger bonds with the people within my year in Unitas.

Overall thoughts – In conclusion, these House projects are a great opportunity to just get out of the classroom, build key life skills, and to express our creativity while simultaneously having great fun!

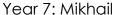




## **Mr Wilson's Weekly Commendations**

I am pleased to see our pupils working to a consistently high standard both in their online lessons 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:

The following students are top of the **Educake science** leader board this week for most correct questions answered:





Year 8: Amir



Year 9: Florian



Year 10: Arya



The following students are top of the <u>Accelerated Reader</u> leader board this week for most points achieved from reading quizzes:

Year 7: Yassine



Year 8: Zaineb



Year 9: Anis





# MAIN MEAL #ONE Pizza Slice Triple Cheese Panini BBO Chicken flatbread Pasta Kitchen Wegna Rice Bowl Pasta Kitchen Peach Upside Down cake | Chocolate & Mandarin Brownie | Peach Upside Down cake | Peach Upside Down cake

# Key dates for week beginning 12/07/21

Description	Date	Time
Thorpe Park Trip	13 <sup>th</sup> July 2021	09:00-15:30



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