



## Mr Wilson's Weekly Message



As we speed towards half term this week and the UK starts to resemble some semblance of normalcy again, I was delighted to be able to welcome some visitors from another UL school, The Joan Roan, to The Academy to show them just what makes our school so special. They were blown away by the engagement students showed in lessons, the disruption free learning that was apparent in every lesson I took them to and the continued determination and drive from Year 11 in their final assessment weeks. I could not be prouder! Shortly after the half term break, we

will begin the Year 7, 8, 9 and 10 end of year assessments and I look forward to the same high levels of focus and ambition that I have seen this week.

Next week we move onto our third virtual Parents' Evening on Thursday and this will follow the same procedure as the last two where school will finish at 2:15 pm to allow for teachers to prepare for the evening of Year 10 meetings. The teacher meetings are set to strict timings and this means discussions will be extremely focused. Please ensure you arrive online at the correct time and come prepared with any questions, concerns or points for discussion regarding your child's progress. I hope you have a great week ahead and you enjoy the first slightly more relaxed weekend in a long time... I never thought I'd be so excited about having a cup of tea *inside* a café!

## Pupil Absence

Reminder: parents and carers are asked most earnestly not to arrange non urgent appointments, such as dentist, GP appointments etc during school hours, except in the case of emergency, so that considerable interference with school work is avoided. We ask that appointments are made outside of school hours where possible so that we can maximise learning time for your child. Every minute really does count in the classroom here at The Hurlingham.



If your child has a hospital or specialist appointment, please bring the letter to the school office at least 24 hours in advance where a copy can be placed on his/her file as proof of authorised absence.



## Subject In The Spotlight!

This week's subject in the spotlight is.... **Science** with Mr Ives, Assistant Principal and Head of Science



In **Science** this week :

**Year 7:** are studying a topic on Ecological Relationships. So far, they have looked at food webs and how pesticides can build up in food chains. They will shortly be moving on to look at competition, adaptation and natural selection. Once this unit of work is completed, Year 7 will begin revision for their end of year exam, which will cover the topics Variation & Reproduction, Chemical Reactions and Forces. They should use their knowledge organisers, exercise books and Educake quizzes to revise.

**Year 8:** are learning about Plants & Photosynthesis. They have looked at the equation for photosynthesis and have learned how leaves are adapted for this process. As the Year 8s are based in the Science rooms, they have also had the opportunity to do some practical work, testing leaves for starch and investigating factors affecting the rate of photosynthesis. In June, the students will have their end of year exam, which will cover Ecological Relationships, Materials & the Earth and Electricity.

**Year 9:** We have been extremely impressed with our Year 9 students, who have shown great drive and focus as we begin studying GCSE Science topics. So far, we have looked at cells, microscopes and transport across membranes, and will shortly cover atoms, elements and the periodic table, before moving on to energy. Year 9 will also have an end of year exam in June, when they can be tested on any topic from Year 7-9.

**Year 10:** In Year 10, we have completed nearly 50% of the GCSE Science course. Students are currently studying Electricity, which is the last Paper 1 topic they need to cover. Their end of year exam will include all Paper 1 content, which is topics 1-4 in Biology and Physics and topics 1-5 in Chemistry. Once the end of year exams are completed, students will move onto studying Ecology.

**Year 11:** have been working hard in Science, in preparation for their final exams. We are really proud of all they have achieved and wish them the best of luck in their next endeavours. In their final weeks in school, we will be introducing students to some A-level Science topics and will look at Covid-19 and the immune system, exercise science, designer babies and the structure of the universe.

**For further curriculum information, please go to [www.thehurlinghamacademy.org.uk/curriculum/curriculum-maps](http://www.thehurlinghamacademy.org.uk/curriculum/curriculum-maps)**



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## Homework

### Why is homework important?

As we continue our focus on the importance of homework this half term, we think it is important that parents know when and what homework is being set so that you can support and guide your children to completing tasks across the two week homework timetable. As mentioned last week, encouraging your child to start their homework on the day it is set will allow them to talk to teachers ahead of the deadline if they are struggling and access the help they need. Please see the Year 7 homework timetable below as an example. If you would like a copy of the homework timetable, please let us know!

Remember that you can use the online homework calendar on Show My Homework to see what has been set and also to remind your child of upcoming deadlines. Thank you for your continued support.

Week 1		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Year 7	7H	History KO MFL	Art Music KO	Maths Science KO	RE Geography KO	English KO
	7U	Science KO MFL	History Music KO	Maths RE KO	Geography Art	English KO
	7R	MFL	RE Music KO	Maths History KO	Geography Science KO	English KO Art
	7L	Science Music KO	Geography MFL KO	Maths Art	RE	English KO History
	7I	Art Music KO	History KO MFL	Maths Geography KO	Science KO	English KO RE
	7N	History KO Art	Science KO	Maths	RE Geography KO	English Music KO

Week 2		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Year 7	7H	History MFL KO	Art Music	Maths KO Science	RE KO Geography	English
	7U	Science MFL KO	History KO Music	Maths KO RE	Geography KO Art	English
	7R	MFL KO	RE KO Music	Maths KO History	Geography KO Science	English Art
	7L	Science KO Music	Geography KO MFL	Maths KO Art	RE KO	English History KO
	7I	Art Music	History MFL KO	Maths KO Geography	Science	English RE KO
	7N	History Art	Science	Maths KO	RE KO Geography	English KO Music

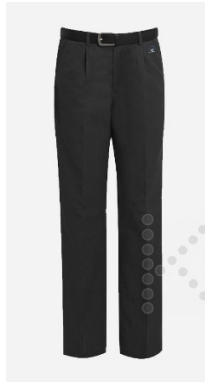


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## School Uniform Re-Sale



We know uniform can be expensive especially at the rate that our young people grow out of it and also the effect that buying new clothes has on our environment. With this in mind, we are hoping to hold a second-hand uniform sale after half term and just in time to start getting ready for the new school year in September. Help our community to reduce, reuse and recycle! Please send in any donations of uniform in good condition that you no longer require– this includes PE kits, bags, ties and general items of uniform that might be sitting in a wardrobe or drawer. We will wash and prepare all items for re-sale after half term. All items can be left at reception.

Thank you for supporting our community!



## Parent Feedback

### We want your feedback!

We are taking part in a survey run by United Learning to help us understand how you feel about your child's education since the return to face-to-face learning. We would be grateful if you could take a few minutes to complete the survey which will be open until **Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> May**, by clicking on [this link](#) and following the prompts. All responses will be anonymous.



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## Artists Of The Week

Some beautifully thoughtful Year 11 pieces produced this week for final grade awarding. Very impressive!



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## 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:

Top of the leader board for **Hegarty Maths** this **term** are:

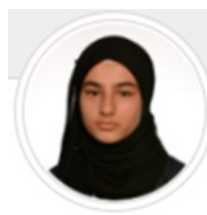
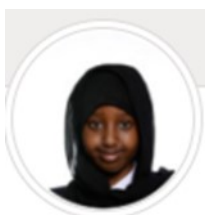
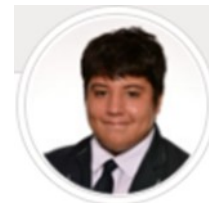
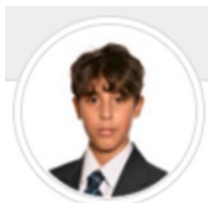
Year 7: Tamir

Year 8: Asiya

Year 9: Filip

Year 10: Zaynab

Year 11: Gonzalo



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

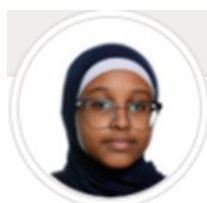
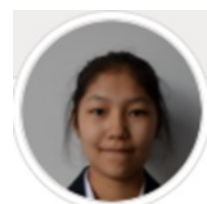
Year 7: Abdulrahman

Year 8: Hanna

Year 9: Chuqiao

Year 10: Anastasia

Year 11: Erika

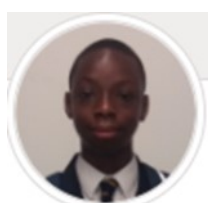
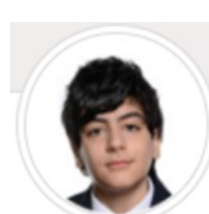
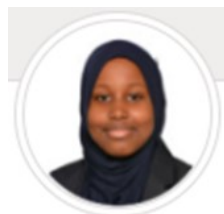


Our top readers in KS3 as recorded on **Accelerated Reader** are:

Year 7: Ahlam

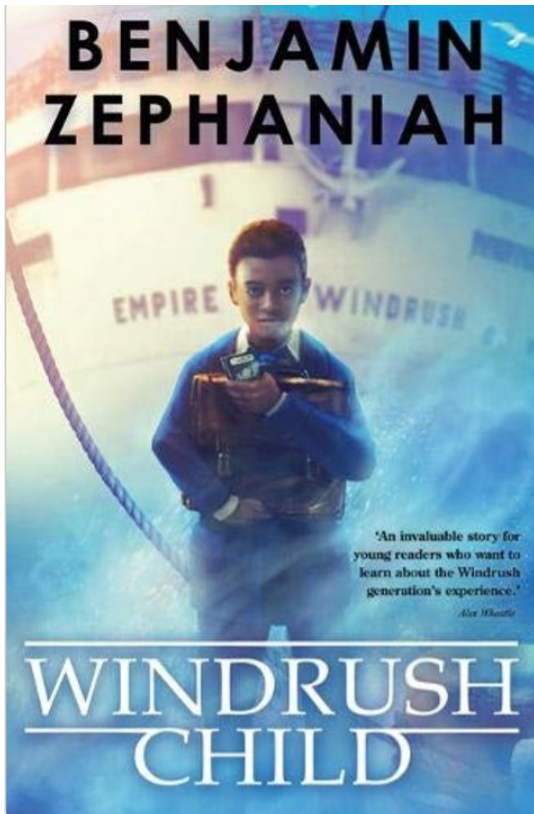
Year 8: Joshua

Year 9: Arian



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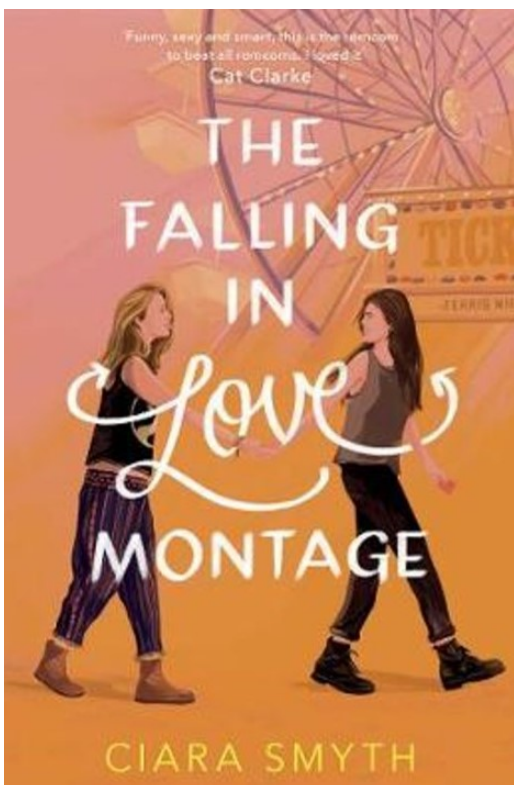
### KS3

Windrush Child

*Benjamin Zephaniah*

Leonard is shocked when he arrives with his mother in the port of Southampton. His father is a stranger to him, it's cold and even the Jamaican food doesn't taste the same as it did back home in Maroon Town. But his parents have brought him here to try to make a better life, so Leonard does his best not to complain, to make new friends, to do well at school - even when people hurt him with their words and with their fists.

How can a boy so far from home learn to enjoy his new life when so many things count against him?



### KS4

The Falling in Love Montage

*Ciara Smyth*

Falling in love, riding out change, figuring out what you want to do with your life – Ciara Smyth's pitch perfect debut simmers with romance and deep-rooted dilemmas, delivered through witty dialogue and affecting emotional detail.

Seventeen-year-old Saoirse (pronounced 'Seer-sha' - be sure to get it right) is on the cusp of crossing the Irish Sea to read history at Oxford. Except she's not sure she wants to go. She has more than enough on her plate dealing with her dad's remarriage, getting over breaking-up with her girlfriend, and coming to terms with her mum's debilitating illness. She just wants to spend her summer watching horror movies and kissing girls – no strings attached. To that end, Saoirse goes to a mate's end-of-exams party and gets it on with his cousin Ruby. Irresistibly drawn to Ruby's good looks and good heart, Saoirse accepts her challenge to embark on a summer romance with all the serious bits left out, in finest romcom tradition. But, as Ruby sagely points out, "the thing about the falling in love montage...is that when it's over, the characters have fallen in love".



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## Lunch Menu 1 w/c 24.05.21

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MAIN MEAL #ONE	50% Plant Based Bolognese, Garlic Bread & Salad	Beef, potatoes Carrot Pie and Sides	Roast chicken with trimmings and, Gravy.	Delhi Tikka Chicken Masala, Rice and Sides	Battered Fish, Chips, Peas, Lemon & Tartare Sauce
MAIN MEAL #TWO	Quorn Mince Ragu	Spicy Bean Burger, Sweet Chilli & Lettuce	Mac n Cheese 	Mughlai Vegetable Korma, Rice & Sides	Fajita Spiced Vegetable Fajitas
HANDHELD	Pizza Slice Triple Cheese Panini	Cheese Panini BBQ Chicken flatbread	Margherita Pizza Slice Chicken Fillet Burger, salsa & cheese	Triple Cheese Panini Tandoori Chicken flatbread	Fish Finger Ciabatta, lettuce & mayo
BOWLED OVER	Vegan Rice Bowl	Pasta Kitchen	Noodle Street	Pasta Kitchen	Pasta Kitchen
DESSERTS	Chocolate & Mandarin Brownie	Peach Upside Down cake	Toffee Apple Crumble	Lemon Drizzle	Jam & Coconut Sponge

## Key Dates For Week Beginning 24/05/21

Description	Date	Time
Early finish on <u>Thursday only</u>	Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> May	From 14:15
Year 10 Parents' Evening	Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> May	16:00-19:00



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