Newsletter 25.06.2021

Mr Wilson's Weekly Message



I am so pleased to be able to say that our formal assessments are now over for another year. I was yet again blown away by the seamless operation of assessing four year groups in a two week period in every single subject they study. The efforts that go into preparing for such a busy time do not go unnoticed and I would like to thank staff and students for their hard work at this extremely busy time. Students have approached every exam with maturity, focus and determination, and I know that this

level of commitment is going to pay off. Not only now but in setting the standard for their future exams and also their professional lives ahead. It has been proven that the pressure and slight stress we feel at exam time is actually healthy for the brain and it is this adrenaline that puts us in a great position to deal with any challenge thrown at us. Whilst our staff are now furiously marking away so that we can share your end of year reports and rank orders, it is important to remember that we do not wind down here at The Hurlingham Academy. Every minute of every lesson is now spent on moving forwards and preparing you for your next steps into Year 8, Year 9, Year 10 and Year 11. Now is the time that I expect my students to rise to a new set of challenges ahead. We look forward next week to meeting our new Year 7s, Year 9 graduation where we will congratulate Year 9 on completion of KS3 and welcome them formally to KS4, the search for our amazing new prefect team in Year 10 and the prestigious Golden Postcard trips to celebrate the fantastic year of achievement that we have had. With so much going on, I genuinely do not want this term to end!

Year 9 Excellence Club

On Thursday afternoon the Year 9 Excellence Club took an excursion to Shakespeare's Globe. We explored this unusual and unique theatre space on a private tour and were even treated to VIP access to a real life rehearsal of Romeo and Juliet...two weeks before the general public! We observed the actors and director at work honing their performance and enjoyed a sense of how vibrant and relevant Shakespeare's plays are in our contemporary world.





Subject in the Spotlight!

This week's subject in the spotlight is.... Art with Head of Art, Ms Sullivan



This week in:

Year 7 - are studying Modern architectural design - looking at artist Camille Walala and the Art movements that have inspired her bold modern art. These include The Memphis Art movement from the 1980's, Optical Art and The Ndbele Tribe. Students are working towards creating an abstract watercolour painting of the Hurlingham Academy school building to demonstrate their newly learned knowledge. These pieces will be displayed in school on completion.

Year 8 - are studying the Aboriginal Art culture - learning about symbolism, storytelling, dreams and marking making, and the art styles significance throughout art history.

Students are working towards creating a mixed media final design that tells their own story through symbols, using either cardboard or fabric to display their final piece.

Year 9 - are studying Modern Street Art -looking at the work of artists including Banksy and Thierry Guetta. Students have been creating subject portraits using key societal figures in the age of now.

Students are working towards creating an A3 mixed media portrait piece inspired by the two artists. This piece will consist of pastels, acrylic, and collage methods.

Year 10 - are currently preparing for their end of year Art assessment - producing a surrealist natural forms composition piece using mixed media. Students have been developing their final idea using a wide range of drawing mediums. Including acrylic paint, watercolour, pastels, ink and biro.

Students will spend the final few weeks of the year working on their new Year 11 individual coursework project - this project details a theme of interest in which students have personally selected to explore. This project will continue through to Year 11.

For further curriculum information, please go to www.thehurlinghamacademy.org.uk/curriculum/curriculum-maps



Artists of the week!

Some excellent posters made in Art recently to celebrate our wonderful NHS and key workers





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: Aaliyah

Year 8: Anastasia

Year 9: Anais

Year 10: Nikol









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

Year 7: Yassine

Year 8: Hanna

Year 9: Justin

Year 10: Cherise









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

Year 7: Misha

Year 8: Helena

Year 9: Aaliyah



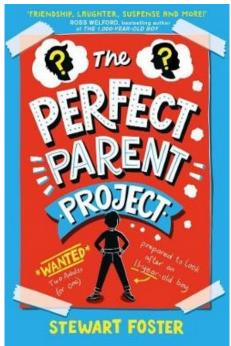






Books of the week- New Books in the library!





KS3 book of the week

THINGS MY PERFECT PARENTS MUST HAVE:

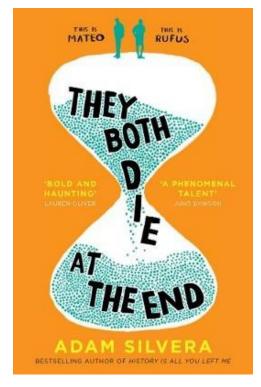
- 1. A mega mansion like the ones footballers live in
- 2. A garage wall with a basketball hoop
- 3. No gerbils
- 4. Holidays to Disneyland

All Sam wants is a family of his own, a home instead of a 'house' and parents he knows will still be there when he wakes up. Because Sam has been in and out of foster care his whole life and he can't imagine ever feeling like he truly belongs. Then his best friend Leah suggests that rather than wait for a family to come to him, he should go out and find one. So begins The Perfect Parent Project ... But Sam may just discover that family has a funny way of finding you.

KS4 book of the week!

On September 5th, a little after midnight, Death-Cast calls Mateo Torrez and Rufus Emeterio to give them some bad news: they're going to die today. Mateo and Rufus are total strangers, but, for different reasons, they're both looking to make a new friend on their End Day. The good news: there's an app for that. It's called the Last Friend, and through it, Rufus and Mateo are about to meet up for one last great adventure - to live a lifetime in a single day.

Another beautiful, heartbreaking and life-affirming book from the brilliant Adam Silvera, author of More Happy Than Not, History Is All You Left Me, What If It's Us and the 'Infinity Cycle' series.





House competitions

In the build-up to Sports Day on July 9th, we decided that Year 10 would be given the Tug of War event! Each House lined up with strong competitors - Adem rallying his Unitas army, with Conor, Chikayzea, and Shyloh leading the other Houses in each match. We managed four high quality matches during the lunch break, and Veritas reigned supreme under the baking sunshine! Fantastic event to break up what has been a very focused assessment period for Year 10. We are looking forward to rematches at Sports Day!











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	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MAIN MEAL #ONE	Meatball Marinera Garlic & Herb Seasoned Wedges	Flavoured Chicken Strips in Flatbread with salads & sauces	Roasted Chicken Cranberry Sauce Sage & Onion Stuffing & Gravy	Madras Chicken, Garlic Rice & Sides	Battered Fish, Chips Peas, Lemon & Tartare Sauce
MAIN MEAL #TWO	<i>Vegan</i> Veggie Chilli Garlic & Herb Seasoned wedges	Falafels & Houmous In Flatbread with salads & sauces	Aubergine parmigiana	Mughlai Chickpea & Lentil Dahl Garlic Rice & Sides	Quorn Dog, Onions & Salsa
HANDHELD	Pepperoni Pizza Slice Cheese Panini	Cheese & Red Onion Panini Chicken Flatbread	Cheeseburger Margherita Pizza Slice	Tikka Folded Naan with mint yoghurt & Bombay slaw	Fish cake Fish Fingers
BOWLED OVER	Pasta Kitchen	Flavoured Chicken & Cous Cous	Pasta Kitchen	Noodle Street	Pasta Kitchen
DESSERTS	Chocolate Cake	Orange Bread & Butter Pudding	Berry Crumble	Carrot & Courgette Sponge	American Pancakes & topper

Key dates for week beginning 28/06/21

Description	Date	Time
Year 6 Induction Day	30 th June 2021	09:00-15:00
Year 9 Graduation	1 st July 2021	13:30-15:00
Year 8/9 immunisations	2 nd July 2021	09:30-15:00



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