

Newsletter 17.11.23

### Mr Wilson's Weekly Message



Good afternoon everyone,

Yet another packed week of enrichment at The Hurlingham Academy! Highlights include our Y8 boys beating Fulham Cross Academy 2-0 in football, Y10 Duke of Edinburgh and Debate Mate and obviously our Y9 history trip to Belgium. I am so pleased that every year, we offer so many of our students opportunities to go away; Students learn and experience things and make memories which enrich them

for life. Again, on Monday, we have 75 Y10 students off to Suffolk and the Essex coast for three days on their geography GCSE field trip. I am grateful to our staff who give up their own time to make these trips possible - they are such a committed team in ensuring our students have an outstanding secondary education both inside and outside the classroom. Have a lovely weekend! Mr. Wilson



#### **Parents Evening**

We are pleased to announce that we will be holding Parents' Evening for Year 9 in person, in the school hall on Thursday 30th November, from 4.30-7.00pm. During the evening, you will have the opportunity to meet with each of your child's teachers, to discuss their progress.

Appointments with teachers are offered on a first-come-firstserved basis. However, we would be grateful if you could use our online form to let us know whether or not you are able to attend. You can access the form here:

https://forms.office.com/e/4BJkAcqjnn.

Students are expected to attend parents' evening with their parents. As this is a formal school occasion, they are expected to wear their uniform.





Y8 started their season with a convincing win over local rivals, Fulham Cross Academy.

We began with a familiar squad to last season's line up, but added some athletic and physical prowess in CJ and Milad, as well as some slick flair in Rio. All playing up from Y7!

The boys kept possession well and physically matched a strong FCA who made the first half difficult. Despite this, up steps our talented captain - Kairon, who is currently playing at Fulham FC, who put his first free kick of the game into the top corner which gave their keeper no chance of saving. 1-0 up. Shortly after, we were awarded another free kick in a dangerous position. Guess what happened? Kairon nestled another free kick into the top corner! 2-0 up. We were sitting comfortably, until one of their attackers sprinted through on goal. This attack was met by the calm Harrison in goal who did well to get down and save his shot, and hold onto the ball! We played out the rest of the game confidently, and ended the first game of the season with a good win against a tough opponent.



Well done to all the boys involved - plenty more to come this season!



# Subject in the Spotlight-

It has been another busy and very creative month in the art department!

We have had visits from artists of the Bomb Factory Art Gallery in Chelsea for Year 10 and The Courtauld Institute of Art for Year 11.

Year 7: This week Yr7 students have been learning the fundamentals of art and design: exploring the formal elements. Students have interpreted the work of modern artist David Hockney whilst being introduced to mark making, composition and colour theory through Henri Mattise' famous, 'Drawing with scissors' technique. Students have learnt basic colour theory and watercolour painting skills. Next week students will be developing their knowledge on the formal elements, to be able to complete their own mixed media landscape paintings.

Year 8: This week Yr8 students have been developing their personal ideas whilst looking at endangered animals as a project focus. Students have created 3D, mixed media sculptural collages of their chosen endangered animal, using a range of recycled and sustainable materials. Next week students will design their final project pieces - combining cardboard sculpture and recycled decorative methods.

Year 9: This week Yr9 students have been developing their anatomical drawing skills, learning to accurately draw a proportionate face, whilst developing a secure understanding of tonal shading and mark making. Additionally, students have looked at Picasso's famous cubist portraits, and re-created their own using soft pastels and coloured paper. Next week Yr9 will be introduced to 3D paper manipulation methods - creating abstract face cut outs. Students will be putting their skills to the test later on this term to create a mixed media self-portrait - for their final project piece.

Year 10: This term Yr10 have been completing a series of skills workshops whilst working on their Project, 'Our World, The Climate Around us'. Students have completed a wide range of workshops. These include; drawing with ink, biro, observational pencil studies, painting, and working with mixed media. This week students have been working with artists from, 'The Bomb Factory Art Foundation' in Chelsea: introducing sculpture and 3D form to projects. Students will next develop personal ideas from own observational ideas and photos that they have collected/ taken. They will realise their successes from the past term and demonstrate their best skills in their mock art exam early next year.

Year 11: This term Yr11 are working towards creating a final idea to present for their GCSE Art personal themed coursework projects. Students were given a starting theme of, 'War and Conflict' and were asked to explore something personal to them within this theme. For example: 'The War on beauty standards', 'The War on cultural inequality'

This week students have been working independently, using a wide range of materials to experiment with.

Students have researched, investigated, developed and began planning their final creative outcome! Exciting final pieces will be produced in the December mock, we cannot wait to see them! Students project work has been supported by a visit and workshops provided by The Courtauld Institute of Art at Somerset House



#### Mr Wilson's commendations

It has been another impressive week here at the academy, with pupils once more working hard on their studies both in the classroom and at home. Congratulations go to all the following pupils who made it to the top of our leader boards this week. Photos of 1st places below

### SENECA leaderboard:

### 1. (Yr11)

Marley Thomas



#### SPARX Maths leaderboard:

1. **(Yr8)** 

Ashtian Neckles

2. (Yr9) Delano Skyers



2. (Yr8) Alfie Alli **3. (Yr7)** Grayson Cook



**3. (Yr11)** Rhys Rachek



# SPARX Reader leaderboard:

**1. (Yr7)** Bruno Burcheri



**2. (Yr8)** Badis Bouchaoui



**3. (Yr9)** Malika Sakr





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To make the gloomy and rainy November days better, this week the library celebrated World Kindness Day! Students wrote a nice message or a compliment for another student or a member of staff. They also had the chance to write a positive message on a bookmark. Ms Sroya will distribute these bookmarks randomly into borrowed books. Hopefully it will make someone's day better! Happy reading!



## Key dates

| Description                       | Date                             | Time          |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------|
| Geography GCSE Field-<br>work Y10 | Mon 20/11/2023 to Wed 22/11/2023 |               |
| D of E Donor Visit                | Mon 20/11/2023                   | 15:30 - 17:00 |
| Spoken Word Workshop -<br>7H      | Tue 21/11/2023                   | 11:30 - 15:30 |
| KS4 Mock 1 Ends                   | Thu 23/11/2023                   |               |
| Green Futures Day 1 - Y7          | Mon 27/11/2023                   | 09:00 - 16:00 |
| INSET Day                         | Fri 01/12/2023                   | 08:00 - 16:00 |

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