

# **The Hurlingham Academy**

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#### Mr Wilson's Weekly Message



Over the past 2 weeks I have had the pleasure of meeting many new families who have joined our community and taking them on a tour of The Hurlingham Academy. I can honestly say that the feedback I have received from parents about our pupils and the lessons they have observed has been humbling. It makes me so proud to hear that The Hurlingham Academy is becoming a real landmark in the community, known for both our fantastic outcomes and our supportive culture. Hearing such fantastic feedback has really made me stop and reflect on just how far we have come and what we have achieved. Walking around the school this

morning I observed calm and purposeful lessons, with all pupils engaged in their lessons. At break and lunch this week I have enjoyed observing the new friendships blossoming within our new Year 7 cohort as well as the great relationships between staff and pupils. This week Year 7 had their hotly anticipated House Sorting Assembly where they found out which House they will be a member of. It has been so lovely to observe them talking to their teachers about their Houses and seeing the friendly rivalry develop.

I am incredibly excited for our annual Open Evening on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> September, followed by our Open Mornings. I can't wait to be able to open our doors and show off all the fantastic work that is happening across the academy. I look forward to seeing many of you there.



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#### **Open Events**



#### **Open Evening**

Tuesday 27th September 2022 - 5:00 - 7:30pm. Principal's talk at 6:15pm

#### **Open Mornings October 2022**

- Monday 3rd Friday 7th October
- Monday 10th October Wednesday 12th October
- Friday 14th October
- Monday 17th October
- Wednesday 19th October
- Friday 21st October

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This week's subject in the spotlight is.... maths with Head of maths, Mr Capes.

This week in: maths

**Year 7:** Year 7 are currently focussing on building their basics numeracy, looking at decimals, place value and negative numbers. These are some of the most core skills of Mathematics and must be understood very well to be successful at GCSE. Once these skills have been mastered, students will be moving onto their first ever Algebra unit.

**Year 8:** Year 8 are currently learning about indices, prime factorisation and rounding to significant figures. They will then be moving onto their second fraction unit of Key Stage 3. These are all GCSE topics which, if mastered, will prepare them very well for Year 9 and their GCSE.

**Year 9:** Year 9 are starting the GCSE Scheme of Work. They are currently studying decimals, estimation and factors and multiples. They will then move onto fractions. This is the last time they will study these topics before their GCSE exams, so it is very important that they master them this term.

**Year 10:** Year 10 are currently studying the GCSE unit of Rearranging Formulae and Linear Graphs. It is a new and very important GCSE topic that they have never seen before. They are crucial if they are going to understand later topics in the syllabus and have real world applications. They will then move onto studying Speed, Density and Pressure.

**Year 11:** Year 11 are studying a variety of topics, depending on their tier of entry in Maths GCSE. Students on Higher Tier are studying Algebraic Proof, Quadratic simultaneous equations and Functions, whilst Foundation students are studying Trigonometry and Transformations. Students need to also be revising everything from Year 9 and 10, completing past papers and seeking support from teachers when they find a topic they do not understand.

	Word	Definition
30	Sum	Add up
31	Product	Multiply
32	Integer	Whole number
33	Ascending	Smallest to largest
34	Descending	Largest to smallest

Compound Measures				
73	Speed =	Speed = Distance ÷ Time		
74	Density =	Density = Mass ÷ Volume		
75	Pressure =	Pressure = Force ÷ Area		



#### Mr Wilson's Weekly Commendations

With the new academic year in full swing, it has been great to see pupils getting straight back to their learning both in the classroom and at home. Congratulations this week go to the following pupils, who made it to the top of our maths and science leader boards:

Top of the leader board for Educake this week with most correct questions answered are:

Year 7: Aisha

Year 8: Fatemah

Year 9: Goldie

Year 10: Ana

Year 11: Joaquim



Top of the leader board for maths this week are:

- 7: Reda
- 8: Mya
- 9: Taima
- 10: Miya
- 11: Muna



## Getting to know you - Mr Haltalli

Name: Mr Haltalli

Job: Teacher of Science

Favourite Book: The Boy, The Mole, The Fox and The Horse by Charlie Mackesy

Interesting fact about me: I have been a qualified swimming pool lifeguard since 2011

**Favourite thing about working at THA:** Being part of a great team and watching students achieve their potentials.

House: Unitas



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#### Notice from the NHS



# Does your child suffer from asthma?

## Are you aware of the four asks?

 Get an asthma action plan in place

2. Understand how to use inhalers correctly

Schedule an asthma review

 every year and after every
 attack

4. Ask about the impact of outdoor and indoor air pollution Join us for #AskAboutAsthma from 12-18 September 2022 to access advice through podcasts, webinars, blogs and many other resources at

healthylondon.org/a sk-about-asthma

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#### House Competitions with Mr Pudney

On Wednesday afternoon, Y7 pupils were in their very first House Assembly. This was a special occasion where they found out which House they would be in, and similar to the sorting hat in Harry Potter, pupils had to wait for the big reveal at the end of assembly to collect their badges and be welcomed in by their Head of House.

The House system plays a vital role at The Hurlingham Academy, as we promise to create selfless, hard-working, and creative citizens. The House system does exactly that. We have competitions running every week to meet all the needs of our pupils, and we offer many opportunities for younger pupils to work with the older year groups. Competitions range from sports, to reading, art work, individual games, activities in teams, and a fun and exciting quiz every now and again!

Please look out for their shiny new House badge as they get ready for school!



#### Better Leisure centre free membership

Better Leisure centres which operate in Hammersmith and Lambeth are offering free six month memberships to families who are resettling from Ukraine. To apply for a membership please click on the following link or visit the better Leisure centres website: <u>Better: The Feel Good Place. Join us now.</u>



## Key dates for week beginning September 19th - week 1

Description	Date	Time
No school for staff or students	Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> September	08:30 - 15:30
Open Evening	Tuesday 27 <sup>th</sup> September	17:00 - 19:30

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