



Mr Wilson's Weekly Message



Good afternoon everyone! Another great week here at The Hurlingham Academy with so many extra-curricular activities and enrichment events. Year 9 were very lucky to have had a live production of Shakespeare's Romeo and Juliet with LAMDA in the main hall; some of Y11 visited Ibstock Place School as they consider applying for the scholarships there; Y10 had Franklin Scholars' training and began their Duke of Edinburgh experience; Y9 and Y10 also had a trip to the New Scientist Live event in central London; Y8 stepped up to show prospective parents around school as tour guides for our Open Morning events and were incredible in how they represented themselves and the school; Y8 boys also won the House football tournament! Y7 had their usual Monday afternoon of clubs such as gymnastics, debating, orienteering and orchestra. I do love our wide range of clubs and have found myself a little lost on a Monday after school now knitting club is not running this term. I have been told it could come back! There were also Black History Month competitions in Houses and the usual weekly Chess and Sudoku competitions in the library at lunch time. Every week there is always so much extra curricular enrichment happening - all of which is part of our commitment to every child's personal development. Who they are as young people and citizens is as important to us as what they know and can do, and so we want their school years to be packed with trips, events, workshops, debates, competitions, clubs and visits. This week has met that aim! Have a lovely weekend!

Ibstock-Hurlingham Partnership continues

This week we were delighted to be able to take some of our Year 11 students to Ibstock Place where a number of our students have gone on to achieve full scholarships. They learned all about the scholarship opportunity and enjoyed an extensive tour of the school. We were met by the Hurlingham Alumni- Safia, Anal and Lilian- who were able to tell us all about their first few weeks as Ibstock scholarship students.



Black History Month

October brings a fantastic opportunity for us here at The Hurlingham Academy as its Black History Month. This year we are celebrating 75 years since the Windrush.

Throughout the month students are learning more in depth information about the Windrush, as well as about some key iconic individuals that have helped shape the country to be what it is today. Our house events and house competitions have been adapted to have a Black History Month and Cultural Diversity theme as well as students getting the opportunity to enter the competition entitled 'Saluting our Sisters'. This competition challenges the students to select a female from a BAME background and create something that demonstrates their work and the impact they have had.



The end of Black History Month culminates in our 'Taste of Hurlingham' event with our Cultural Gala. The culture and diversity of our school is something we are extremely proud of at The Hurlingham Academy and this event brings it to life. The cultural gala is an evening of music, student performances, and food from all over the world together in one building.

Events on in the borough

Necklace and Mask Making

Wednesday 18 October, 4-5pm, Fulham Library

Join us as we make traditional African masks and jewellery at Fulham Library

In conversation with Dr Velma McClymont

Thursday 19 October, 6pm-8pm, Shepherds Bush Library

Join [Dr Velma McClymont](#) on her London book tour. Velma is a published writer, literary activist, poet, international speaker and the publishing director of Womanzvue - founded in June 2020

Celebrate Black History Month



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Year 9 and 10 New Scientist Trip

The New Scientist Live event is back to London and our students had a fantastic day out at the London Excel centre, getting hands-on experience with the latest technology. Students had the opportunity to interact with researchers from different universities, try laparoscopy equipment, learn about conservation and, listen to a talk on how to build a race car. Students were greatly fascinated and inspired by the potential STEM careers they can pursue in the future.



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This week in the library...



This week in the library, we had some submissions for the Manga competition by our diligent and creative Manga readers!

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

SPARX Reader leaderboard:

1– Ana Jawadifar (7I) 4051 points



2– Alfie Alli (8L) 2733 points



3– Lorenzo Ballester (9R) 892 points



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Key dates

Description	Date	Time
Whole school assembly	Monday 16th October	8:30-9:00
Open mornings	Monday 16th, Wednesday 18th, Friday 20th October	9:00-12:00
Parent Forum	Monday 16th October	18:00
Hampton Court Palace Trip Y8	Wednesday 18th October	8:30-15:30
Y10 Bomb Factory trip	Wednesday 18th October	15:30– 18:15
Y7 Parents Coffee Morning	Thursday 19th October	09:15-10:15
Cultural Gala	Thursday 19th October	17:00-19:00
BBC Media Trip	Friday 20th October	10:35-17:00
INSET Day	Mon 30th October	All day (no students)
Whole school assembly	Tuesday 31st October	8:30-9:00

