



## Mr Wilson's Weekly Message

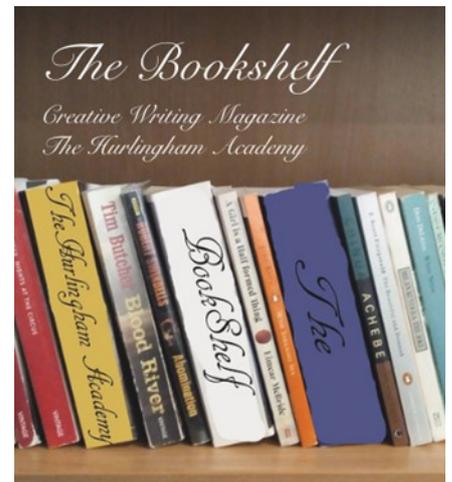


As a community, results are important to us. We care passionately about who wins the House Cup, we cheer loudly on Sports Day (especially to see which teacher has won the staff relay) and we know that the GCSE results of our Year 11 pupils will matter to them for a long time. As the first external GCSE exam approaches on Monday, I feel confident that our pupils are ready. They have worked exceptionally hard throughout KS4 and particularly in the lead up to their GCSE exams. Year 11 start revising at 8:30 in the morning and often continue

until 5:30 in the evening. Pupils have worked independently with Miss Quinton at Learning Lunch since September as well as having chosen to come in on Saturdays for study sessions. Their teachers have prepared them thoroughly for every question on every paper and ensured they have the very best resources to revise. So what happens now? We need the support of parents and carers at this time to ensure pupils are in school for their 7:30am cram sessions and that they are properly prepared. We also need pupils to be looking after themselves by getting a good night's sleep and avoiding too many distractions during the exam season.

I truly believe that all pupils can succeed when they work hard; I have no doubt that this set of exams will lead to some brilliant results that our pupils truly deserve.

I am also pleased to announce that this week sees the start of something very special here at The Hurlingham Academy, our very own student led magazine. A small group of Year 10 pupils have been working tirelessly in the writing, editing and illustration and I have to say that the final product looks fantastic. I cannot wait to read a copy this weekend.



## Bite size Health care summer school

Every year we apply for places at Bite size Health care summer school, which is a university run summer school. It has lively, interactive courses designed to increase awareness of a range of educational and career opportunities in medicine and healthcare and gives participants an insight into studying healthcare subjects at university. It is a really competitive programme and I am pleased to announce that 3 pupils from The Hurlingham Academy have been accepted; Mohammed, Eishan and Mischa. This is a great opportunity; congratulations to all three for a successful application.



## Mr Wilson's Commendations

As the GCSEs fast approach the Year 11s continue to impress us with their revision at home. Once more it is nice to see this commitment to learning being reflected further down the school. Below are our top pupils for maths, English and science this week.

This week's **Hegarty Leader Board** is as follows:

Year 11 - Christopher

Year 10 - Bryan

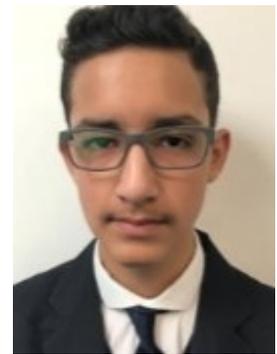
Year 9 - Jamil

Year 8 - Abdulahi

Year 7 - Molly



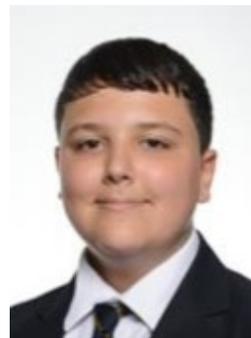
There was little change in the Hegarty Maths leader board this week and it was topped once more by Bryan who this week completed over 9 hours of Hegarty. However, we must also congratulate Jamil who was a very close second with 8.9 hours. An amazing achievement for both pupils, well done.



In **Tassomai** this week we have Troy at the top of the leader board for the 3<sup>rd</sup> week running. I am also pleased to announce that we now have 6 Year 11s who have completed the whole course. This is a great achievement and means these pupils will be able to go into their science exam feeling confident. I can't wait to see your results in August.



This week we have no change in the reading leader board, with our **top readers** Jude, Jannat, Adam and Adem for the second week running. Again, it was Caritas who came top much to the annoyance of Mr Cheetham. An amazing effort by all pupils. Well done Caritas!



## Sports Day warm up with Mr Cheetham

This week's house competition was part 2 of the Sports day warm up..... sprinting! The students lined up eagerly to prove themselves and really build the competition in the run up to Sports day. KS3 came in force, with Mykala, Elisabetta, Gabriel and Tylisha reigning champions. It was Caritas who came out on top, reinforcing their status as Sports day champions. They were closely followed by Veritas with Unitas and Aequitas coming third and forth. It seems Unitas and Aequitas may have to join Mr Cheetham with some training before the big day!



## Getting to know you - Mr Davis

**Name:** Mr Davis

**Job:** Teacher of English

**Favourite Book:** Blood Meridian by Cormac McCarthy. It's the most cinematic book I've ever read and it has got a great storyline.

**Interesting fact about me:** I live on a boat!

**Favourite thing about working at THA:** The enthusiasm and level of engagement of our pupils.



## Key dates for week beginning May 14<sup>th</sup> - week 1

Description	Date	Time
GCSE exams begin	Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> May	All day



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