Mr Wilson's Weekly Message



I know I say this every week but it has been an incredibly busy week here at The Hurlingham Academy. I cannot believe all the extra curricular events that we have had this week. Charity week has been actioned packed, with dodgeball, football and baking to name just a few. On top of this we have had 2 residential trips, one to Jamie's farm and another to Barcelona, the first give final and a trip to the Trinity Book Awards. Every time I look at our school calendar it makes me so proud

to see all the opportunities we offer our pupils to extend their learning further than the classroom. I am also so grateful to all the teachers who give up their time, often in the evenings and weekends to organise and lead such events. I urge all pupils to make the most of all the opportunities we offer here, even if it might take them out of their comfort zone. I know next term we have a number of exciting events planned including trips, music concerts, drama performances and house competitions. I am looking forward to seeing all pupils engaging in as many of these events as possible.

Read, Cover, Watch, Listen

Does your child love English? Do they come home talking about RE? Or want to pursue a career in Science? Perhaps you'd love to help them foster a passion for Food, but don't know how?

We are excited to announce the launch of our new 'Read, Watch, Listen, Do' lists, which will help your child learn more about each subject and its place in the wider world. They provide links to:

- News articles related to the topics your child is studying;
- Videos and TV programmes to watch to build your child's understanding of why the subject is important in the wider world;
- Podcasts to listen to, often with interviews of key figures in that subject area;

Museums and galleries to visit and activities to carry out to further their love of a subject. Please do encourage your child to explore the Read, Watch, Listen, Do lists at home. They can be found on our website, here. You are, of course, welcome to browse the links yourself!

Some subjects may also set homework using the lists, which will be set on Satchel One, as normal. New lists will be released for each topic/year group each term.

If you have any feedback on our Read, Watch, Listen, Do lists, please do get in touch. From next half term, I will also be writing to you on a termly basis with details of what your child is learning in their subject lessons. If you would like further support with supporting your child's learning at home, I recommend you visit this page on our website, or contact your child's Head of Year.



CHARITY WEEK

This week at The Hurlingham Academy is Charity Week. We put on a range of activities for the pupils to get involved with to help us raise as much money as possible. We have planned Tug of War, Staff Murder Mystery, a Bake Sale, staff vs. students football, and Sponge the Teacher. Due to popular demand, we have had to extend football across two days because so many students wanted to play against the staff. Let's be clear though, the staff dominated the football pitch! However, the Y10s and Y11s did manage to beat staff at Tug of War which was a quick and impressive victory for them! Staff have been moving around the building trying to avoid getting killed by fellow staff members, and there have been some controversial calls so far - Mrs Wilson takes Murder Mystery very seriously, it seems! Next week we have a few more activities to do, ending with own-clothes day on Friday so we are hoping raise over £2500 by the end of next week!

Thank you for some lovely donations to the bake sale and any money donated - it truly means a lot that our community is so driven to support others in need.









Second Hand Uniform Sale

After the success of our first sale we are proud to announce that we will be holding another second hand uniform sale on Thursday May 1st 3.45-4.30pm.

In advance of this we will be collecting uniform donations until Monday April 28th. If you have any uniform at home that you no longer need, please do consider donating it to support others within our school community.





Coffee Morning

We would like to invite all parents to our coffee morning run by Kooth. If you wish to attend please use the link below to sign up:

https://forms.office.com/e/cbvdNswjas



Kooth is an NHS-commissioned service providing young people with 24/7 mental health support, self-help tools, and professional guidance.

- Scan the OR code to learn more about Kooth
- Join us for an informative and supportive session—because mental health matters!



Lost Items

Have you lost anything at school recently? To help all pupils find any lost property we will be displaying all lost items outside the main hall during lunchtime on Thursday 3rd April. We encourage all pupils to come along so missing items can be reunited with their rightful owners.



Mr Wilson's Commendations

Congratulations this week go to the following pupils, who made it to the top of our Seneca and Sparx leaderboards.

Top pupils for Seneca are:

Year 7: Reilly

Year 8: Anthony

Year 9: Aminah

Year 10: Donte

Year 11: Gabriel









Top pupils for Sparx maths are:

Year 7: Dior

Year 8: Serina

Year 9: Timur

Year 10: Bahar

Year 11: Rafael

Club Sparx VIP: Anthony



























Wellbeing Hub



This week over on the wellbeing hub we are looking at adolescent issues for autistic teenagers with Prof. Tony Attwood, International best-selling Author and Clinical Psychologist specialising in Autism Spectrum Disorders

Key dates for weeks beginning 31st March

| Description | Date | Time |
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| GCSE Drama Practical | Monday 31st March | 8:30-15:30 |
| Grammar stream event | Monday 31st March | 9:00-12:30 |
| SEND Coffee Morning | Wednesday 2nd April | 9:30-10:30 |
| Thorpe Park Trip | Wednesday 2nd April | All day |
| Year 9 Pathways Evening | Thursday 3rd April | 17:00-19:00 |
| Last day of term– pupils to finish at 13:05 | Friday 4th April | 8:25-13:05 |
| Easter Holidays | Monday 7th– Friday 18th April | All day |
| Easter Monday– Bank holiday | Monday 21st April | All day |
| Staff inset– no school for pupils | Tuesday 22nd April | All day |
| School begins for all pupils | Wednesday 23rd April | 8:25-15:30 |

