

The Hurlingham Academy

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Mr Wilson's Weekly Message



It has been a challenging but rewarding term here at The Hurlingham Academy. The end of a term always offers us a moment to reflect on the progress we have made as a school as well as a chance to look ahead and set ourselves new goals. For Year 11, summer term marks the beginning of the external exam season. Pupils have been so well prepared for their mock exams by staff including their tutors, teachers, mentors and pastoral team and I am so grateful for that. I would also like to thank parents and carers; we know this can be a high pressure time for Year 11 pupils and having

your support is invaluable to students' success. I will be taking a break this Easter holiday and I encourage you all to do the same. It is a chance to catch up on those books that have piled up on the nightstand and to spend time with our loved ones. We work incredibly hard as a community and we deserve to rest and recuperate ready for a busy term ahead. As ever, please remember that students must come back to school (Year 11 on Tuesday 23rd April; Year 7-10 on Wednesday 24th April) with full school uniform, all of their equipment and hair that complies with the school rules. Have a fantastic break!

Globe Theatre Trip

On Tuesday of last week, the English department had the pleasure of taking 40 pupils to the world-renowned Shakespeare's Globe Theatre to see a production of Romeo and Juliet. Amongst the excitement to visit this prestigious venue, there were nerves too as the date approached! Year 9 were tentative about standing for the whole of the production (just like Shakespeare had intended!) and of course crossing their fingers that the weather was kind to us for an evening exposed to the elements in a theatre with no roof. The nerves were for nothing though as we set off into central London on a mild evening. The pupils were awed by how impressive the building looked and enthralled by the performance itself. There were actors hanging from the rafters at points, performing dramatic fight choreography and regularly making the audience laugh and gasp. Most impressive of all, however, was when you glanced at the Year 9 Hurlingham pupils to find them mouthing their favourite Shakespearean quotes along with the actors as they said them. Safe to say Year 9 thoroughly enjoyed their trip back in time to the 16th Century!







Mr Wilson's Commendations

It may be the last week of term but our pupils remain dedicated to their studies both in lessons and at home. Congratulations this week go to the following pupils, who made it to the top of our maths and English leaderboards this week. Top of the leaderboard for Hegarty Maths this week are:

Year 11 - Abdujabor Year 10 - Hassan Year 9 - Abdulahi Year 8 - Daniela Year 7 - Rihanna



Our top readers this week are Charlotte, Adem, Ibrahim and Zeynep. Unitas were reading champions for the third week running having read a phenomenal 4,300,000 words in one week. Well done to all and keep up the hard work.



It is nice to see some new faces on the Tassomai leaderboard this week. Our top students this week are Susana, Samuel, Machi, Tiago, Osama and Roberto. Particular congratulations goes to Machi who has completed 88% of the whole course. With two weeks off over Easter, I've no doubt she will have completed the course in no time. Well done and keep up the good work.





Charades with Mme Grubb

The last Wednesday House competition of this term was 'Charades' with Miss Grubb in the gym, where students had to act out books, films, animals and actions for their team to guess. As the game progressed it got increasingly competitive, with some incredibly imaginative acting skills being demonstrated by all. Veritas steamed through the list, eventually taking home the victory, closely followed by Aequitas, then Caritas and Unitas.



House Winners-Spring Term

We are pleased to announce that the winners of the Spring Term House Trophy is <u>Aequi-</u> <u>tas</u>. It has been so incredibly close and after 12 weeks of competitions and challenges it is fair to say all Houses gave it their all. A massive congratulations to Miss Hateley and Aequitas House, a well deserved victory. We look forward to doing it all again in the summer term.





Key dates for week beginning April 22nd - Week 1

Description	Date	Time
Bank Holiday	Monday 22 nd April	08:25 - 15:25
INSET Day No School For Students (Only Year 11 Back To School)	Tuesday 23 rd April	08:25 - 15:25
Back To School	Wednesday 24 th April	08:25 - 15:25
Exam Essentials Evening	Wednesday 24 th April	17:30

