



## Mr Wilson's Weekly Message

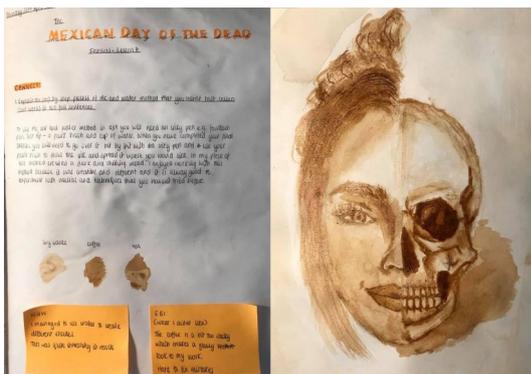


Last week United Learning held a Town Hall meeting (by telephone) for all staff across the trust. The meeting was hosted by Chief Executive, Jon Coles. During the meeting, Mr Coles outlined the steps the trust is taking to ensure all schools across the group have what we need to carry on providing education from home. He also spoke to the big question on everyone's minds... "When will schools reopen?". Mr Coles reiterated the government message that a decision will be made based on the latest daily data. Although we do not know when this will be, we have been told that when a decision is made, all

schools will be given 3 weeks notice to prepare and ensure our schools are fully ready with all necessary safety precautions in place. I will communicate with you as soon as I am told. Rest assured that the health and safety of our staff and students will be at the forefront of how we reopen. Today and every day until then, all of the staff here at The Hurlingham Academy are focused on delivering high-quality education resources that pupils can access from home. With your encouragement, students must commit time each day to completing the work set. We will not have time to catch up in the autumn, and it is unlikely there will be adjustments to the curriculum, so it is imperative students keep up. We know it is not easy to work from home, as I have found out myself. Please do remember that we are always here to support. If you have any concerns, please do not hesitate to get in touch with the school. This weekend is a bank holiday weekend, so I encourage you to take some time away from the computer screen to relax and appreciate the family and friends you have around you.

## Art Attack

Again, our pupils have been producing some outstanding artwork from home. The first photo below is from Rihanna Ingleton-Clarke (8H), who created this exceptional skull design produced working with new materials this week - coffee, tea and soy sauce. Incredibly imaginative, well done. The second collage was submitted by Valentyna Shkredko (10I), demonstrating her abstract experimenting for natural forms project, fantastic thorough development shown.



## Mr Wilson's Commendations

It's been another busy week of working from home for all pupils here at The Hurlingham Academy. This week's commendations are as follows:

The Geography department would like to congratulate the following pupils for their outstanding work; Ema, Meron (7H), Maria (7L), Bradley, Denat (7N), Thomas (8R), Matin, (8L), Erisa, Dania (8I), Lara (9H), Mary (9R), Amelia and Amiin (both year 10).

Team Science would like to congratulate the following for their hard work on educake; Adea Musa (7H), Chloe Lester (8H), Mary-Rose Bumanglag (9R), Renee Peterson (Y10) and Emir Aybars Demirbas (Y11).

The History department would like to say well done Gift Nkiribari, Isabella Zamora Grisales, Miya Hunt, Ema Rata (all 7H), Tate Dillingham, Tamzin Emmanuel Azariah, Taurie Palmer, Miguel Ambrose Prieto (all 7I), Molly, Julia, Jacopo, Alexandra, Arya (all 9H), Madison-Rae, Enrique, Aaliyah, Simon, Gabriel, Atrid, Mason, Abdirahman, Omar, Isadora, Jesse, Phoebe, Pimi, Harry (all 9R), Damian, Gabriela (9L), Basile, Chrisa (9I), Kemal, Thenisha, Zunaira, Ibrahim, Abubaker, Siobhan (7U), Saron, Jack, Abi, Asharie, Moses, Amir (7R), Maria, Malakai, Dennell (7L) Abdullah, Munir and Alfred (7N).

Maths would like to say well done to Bilal Ahmed, Siobhan Chuah, Donovan Corbin, Jaylen De-Silva, Alfred Ravrini, Tamzin Azariah, Ky Francois, Abdullah Noor, Filip Ferens, Chloe Lester, Mahad Hassan, Tiare Doyle-Spence, Elijah Downer, Pedro Aguiar Cendon Ferreira, Michelle Osorio, Lola-Rae Crookshank, Sismay Mussei, Jacopo Pirani, Anastasia Odusanwo, Mary-Rose Bumanglag, Merve Softova, Naib Haque, Enrique Garcia Fana, Lisa Depardon, Asya Melek Akyuz, Aisha Almalek, Kyle Thomas-Daly Mason, Calvin Buluku, Josie Qiu, Catalina Paredes, Beatriz Correa, Emir Demirbas and Aedriel Baltazar.

Miss Mackay would like to say well done to Amelia Rogers and Ahlam Dualeh for their improved confidence in their Media work. She would also like to congratulate Danna Acaïn, Molly Hayes and Lesharn Licorish for showing great personal motivation and resilience in the most challenging tasks and activities.

The Modern Foreign Languages department would like to congratulate Hassan Rochi, Haytham Coomber, Precious Eguajore, Emir Demirbas, Beril Dermenci, Asya Melek Akyuz, Shqiponja Hetemi, Catalina Paredes, Alejandro Ruiz Lopez, Ana Rafaela, Jaxon Davis, Kimberly Corbin, Jaziah Goulbourne, Danna Cassandra Acaïn, Giovanni Maques Dos Santos, Lara Ivanovic, Julia Oufino Scalia Vasconcelos, Tania Reynolds, Scarlett Wilson, Adam Coomber, Giulia Catalucci, Johnny Nee, Undram Munkhзорigt, Sonia Bezoyan, Hassan Jubril, Jack Benson, Maria Cendon Ferreira, Donovan Corbin, Miya Hunt, Adnan Khan, Victor Ravrini, Harun Warsame, Jake Reid, Malakai Cole and Moses Lopes.

Mr Perkins would like to say well done to the following pupils for their hard work in Business; Ibrahim Benabid, Amiin Abdullahi, Denver Gadd, Lizbeth Victoriano Silva, Kyle Dakin-Chery, Valentyna Shkredko, Nicole Tapat, Aisha Almalek, Muhammad Khan, Ayda Yegin, Alexiane Rose Plus, Kyle Thomas Daly-Mason and Aquawn Davis.

Miss Robinson would like to congratulate to following Year 8 pupils for completing the 1K challenge this week. Pupils were given the task of running 1km as part of their daily exercise. Students recorded their times on running apps like Strava and sent in screenshots of their achievements. The top three fastest students were: Elijah Omar (in just 4 minutes and 41 seconds), Josh Parent and Roxy Lester.

Miss May would like to say well done to Jack Benson for winning the Year 7 1k competition with a time of 5.07. She would also like to congratulate Jaylen Da Silva for winning the cooking competition with some fabulous cookies. Finally, she would like to congratulate Malakai Cole, Haydn Ellahee and Alfred for being diligent workers.

Last but by no means least Mr Pudney would like to congratulate the following students, who have been nominated for their outstanding work from every single one of their teachers this week; Kimberly, Jaxon, Justine, Lisa, Anna, Farah, Kani and Ana Rafaela, Teja and Elena. An excellent achievement to all. Well done and keep up the hard work.



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## VE Day celebrations at THA

On the 8th May, the Nation will come together to celebrate 75 years since VE day. VE Day was celebrated around the world when Germany surrendered at the end of WW2. This day was called VE Day for 'Victory in Europe Day'. This Friday is the 75th Anniversary of these celebrations! After six years of war, people were overjoyed that the fighting had ended in Europe. When they heard the news people had street parties, they danced, waved flags, threw streamers and kissed strangers! The idea for the 75th Anniversary of VE Day had been to recreate some of



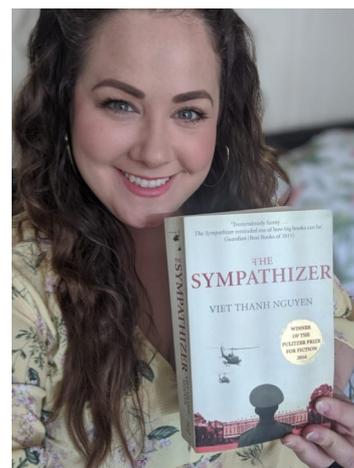
these celebrations, but the lockdown has changed some of these plans.

Instead, Ms Mowbray has put together a list of things you can do this bank holiday to celebrate at home (attached below). There's something for everyone, from art to dancing, research to writing, singing to baking! Share what you make or do with the History Department either by sending Ms Mowbray an email at [emowbray@thehurlinghamacademy.org.uk](mailto:emowbray@thehurlinghamacademy.org.uk) or tweet your History teacher at @HurlinghamHist. The best entries will win a postcard! We look forward to seeing what you make! Here's a photo of Miss Hiscock's home made flapjack for inspiration.

## What are you currently reading? – Miss Mowbray

I have been reading **The Sympathizer** by **Viet Thanh Nguyen**, which is set in Vietnam and the USA, at the end of the Vietnam War in the 1970s.

The book follows a soldier who openly fought on the losing side of the war, whilst actually being a spy for the other side... It follows his experiences as the war ended and his divided loyalties as he escapes and starts a new life in the USA. It gives you an insight into what it may have felt like to be on both sides of the conflict. It is a satirical (darkly funny) book and keeps you on the edge of your seat, but ultimately is a story of love and friendship in challenging times. I love books that help me to put myself in other people's shoes, and this story opened my mind and took me to another time, to another part of the world, to get a taste of a very different life to my own.



## Riddle of the week

A couple of weeks ago we set you two riddles to were given two riddles to try to crack. As promised, the answers are below:

"What belongs to you but used more by others?" **Answer: your name**

"What is seen in the middle of the month's March and April but can't be seen at the beginning or end of either month?" **Answer: the letter R**

This week's riddle is as follows:

"What is so fragile to say it's name breaks it?"

We would like to say a massive well done to Jaylen da Silva for being the first three pupils to submit the correct answers. See if you can also crack the riddle... answers will be published in next week's newsletter.



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