

# The Hurlingham Academy

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#### Mr Wilson's Weekly Message



It has been another successful week at The Hurlingham Academy. After the success of Open Evening, we have been incredibly busy with our Open Mornings. Last week we welcomed and toured over 200 prospective parents. As principal, it has been lovely to hear so many positive comments. Parents have been particularly impressed at how calm and welcoming the school feels. The year 8 and 9 pupils who have helped with tours have really been a credit to our

community. It is lovely to see our pupils taking such pride in their school. As you all know, I believe that manners and the way our pupils conduct themselves both at school and when out in the community is of the utmost importance. It is evident that we are fast becoming the first choice school in the borough for parents. I would like to once again remind parents of our open-door policy. Open mornings are not only for prospective pupils but all members of our community. If your child already attends the Hurlingham Academy, you are more than welcome to come along and see the school in action. We look forward to seeing many more parents over the next week.

### Geography Quiz with Mr Charkham

This week's house competition saw the return of the geography quiz hosted by Mr Charkham in the Library. Topics ranged from the classic 'Flag round', to the less familiar 'Wish you were here' Postcard Challenge. Aequitas amassed an impressive 18 out of 18 points, with Caritas coming close second and Unitas a competitive third. Accuracy cost Veritas in the end who came in fourth. Questions have been raised around the extent of Mr Lewis's (Geography



dept.) participation in the quiz for Aequitas, but in the end, a strong all-round team brought it home for those in

yellow. Your turn: Can you name these flags?



#### Mr Wilson's Weekly Commendations

As always, I would like to recognise all the hard work our pupils are completing both in lessons and at home. Congratulations this week go to the following pupils, who made it to the top of our maths, science and Spanish leader boards:

Top of the leader board for Hegarty Maths this week are:

- Year 11 Adam
- Year 10 Owais
- Year 9 Ghofran
- Year 8 Inaya
- Year 7 Theo



Top of the leader board for Educake Science this week are:

- Year 11 Patrick
- Year 10 Aniza
- Year 9 Ryan
- Year 8 Chloe
- Year 7 Marwo



Top of the leader board for Memrise Spanish this week are:

- Year 11 Lian
- Year 10 Hannah
- Year 9 Daniela
- Year 8 Elias
- Year 7 Miya



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## Black History Month

Throughout October, as part of our Black History Month celebrations, we have been running a film club during lunchtime. Pupils are currently watching 'Hidden Figures' which follows the true story of a team of African-American female mathematicians who served a vital role in NASA during the early years of the U.S. space program. The film has proved so popular that we have had to relocate from a classroom to the lecture theatre. It's fair to say that pupils have been incredibly inspired by the movie. We would like to remind all students that they can come to the lecture theatre on Monday and Wednesday to continue watching the film. You are also welcome to



## Working at The Hurlingham Academy

We are pleased to announce that we currently have a vacancy for a Learning Resource Manager. If you would like to apply or know of anyone, you would like to recommend, please visit the school website for more details.

#### Getting to know you - Miss O'Reilly

Name: Miss O'Reilly

Job: History Teacher

Favourite Book: Everything I Know About Love by Dolly Alderton

**Interesting fact about me:** I once got stranded on an island in Indonesia for four days, where no one spoke English, and lived to tell the tale!

**Favourite thing about working at THA:** The community spirit! Everyone has been so friendly since I started and made me feel like part of the family.

House: Veritas

## Key dates for week beginning October 14th– Week 1

Description	Date	Time
KS3 Enrichment	Monday 14th October	15:25—16:25
Whole school assembly	Tuesday 15th October	8:30—9:00
Open Mornings	Monday 14th October Wednesday 16th October	9:00—12:00
Taste of Hurlingham	Wednesday 16th October	17:30—20:30

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