



## Mr Wilson's Weekly Message



I can not believe that we have already completed our first week of the GCSE season. I am so proud with how our Year 11 pupils have dealt with their first major exams. Each morning school is buzzing with revision classes from 7:30am. On Monday morning there were a few nerves, but this just shows how much our Year 11s want to succeed. After every exam, they have been flooding out of the hall with smiles on their faces saying how pleased they were with the paper. This just reinforces to me what I already know, that our pupils are incredibly well prepared and supported by their teachers. My favourite moment, of course, is the truly deserved satisfaction that pupils will feel when they receive their results. I know that it may feel like you still have a long way to go, and there are still a lot of exams ahead, but I promise you Year 11, that you really will be so incredibly proud of what you have achieved come 25<sup>th</sup> August. I want you to keep that thought in mind over the next couple of weeks and as I said last week, we are all behind you, supporting you.

## Performing Shakespeare

On Tuesday, two of our Year 7 pupils Karim and Nicole represented The Hurlingham Academy at the national head of Performing Shakespeare and what a day it was! The pupils were very nervous/excited from the get go but from the second we left school they were the model students. The venue was in Green Park, a beautiful old house and we performed in the Churchill room, opened by Churchill himself. The students then had a workshop with an actor to get them prepared and Karim and Nicole took it upon themselves to befriend every nervous student and told them 'I know you will be great'. After that we fought our way through to eat the most cookies and the performances then began and they were brilliant! Each student was extremely confident and did their school proud, making it extremely tough competition. In the end the pupils were beaten by a Year 9 another school, however our students were named highly commendable above all the others and their feedback was 'saying your are Year 7 and came runners up, phenomenal. Just think what you can do next year!' I must say I have never been prouder of our students. Their resilience, their focus, their kindness and their maturity. When they realised they hadn't won said that boy deserved to win but madam we know what we now have to do next year. They were a credit to themselves, families and Hurlingham.



## Subject in the spotlight



This week's subject in the spotlight is.... Modern foreign languages (MFL) with Head of MFL, Ms Cabo.

This week in: MFL

**Year 7:** Students are now finishing 'my city'. They will soon move on to learn the future tense and how to refer to future plans. Revision lessons will start soon after to prepare students for the up-coming exams.

**Year 8:** Students have been working on the topic of holidays. They have reinforced the past tense to narrate events they did on holidays in the past and they have started to reinforce the future tense and conditional to talk about wishes.

**Year 9:** Students completed the module on global issues and have learnt vocabulary related to environment and how to protect the environment and help others. They will be completing an end of topic test to consolidate the learning of the unit.

**Year 10:** All students have now learnt about the topic of festivals and customs. They have completed descriptions in the present, past and future and have learnt about different events happening in Spanish and French speaking countries. Next week they will focus on music festivals and writing skills.

**Year 11** are continuing to prepare for their GCSE exams which will start next week with the reading and listening. We wish all Year 11 pupils the best of luck.



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## Mr Wilson's Commendations

Congratulations this week go to the following pupils, who made it to the top of our maths and science leader boards:

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

Year 7 - Raami

Year 8 - Dimalat

Year 9 - Nila

Year 10 - Lilian

Year 11 - Omar



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

Year 7: Zainab

Year 8: Shuayb

Year 9: Ayub

Year 10: Niamh

Year 11: Adem



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## Sporting News

On Tuesday 10 girls made the journey to QPR stadium to participate in a 18 team 7a-side tournament. They had to endure the relentless heat whilst playing 6 league games. losing 1, drawing 2 and winning 3. This gave us enough points to win the league and go through to the quarterfinals. We were up against Pimlico- Ellie scored an absolute worldy from 18 yards out, top corner for 1-0 and then Ricki-Lee slotted home from outside the area to make it 2-0

Through to the semi-finals we were up against a team we had already beaten in the league, but we had to go into the game forgetting about previous results. The game was tight and although we hit the bar and post, it was looking like this game was doomed for penalties. Penalties it was, and the three girls who stepped up to take them were Ricki-Lee, Ellie and Enfrata. Who scored all 3 and won 3-1 on penalties.

The final arrived at 4:30pm and the girls were raring to go against Haydon school. We started the better team and had all the chances, unfortunately the game finished 0-0 and went to sudden death penalties. Ricki-Lee stepped up to go in goal again and made a great save to put us in the driving seat. Enfrata had to score for us to win, unfortunately Enfrata put it wide. Haydon stepped up and scored which then meant we were under pressure to score to stay in it. Unfortunately Ellie stepped up and her strike hit the crossbar and bounced down but did not cross the line..... we had lost on sudden death penalties to Haydon.

The day was a fantastic and the achievement of finishing 2<sup>nd</sup> out of 18 schools is something to be so very proud of. Well done to all the pupils who participated.

### Key dates for weeks beginning 23<sup>rd</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> May

Description	Date	Time
Whole school assembly	Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May	08:30 - 09:00
GCSE exams continue	Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May	08:30 - 15:30
First Give Final	Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> May	13:45 - 16:45
Half term	Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> May– Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June	All day
Start of half term 6 for all pupils	Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> June	08:30 - 15:30



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