



Mr Wilson's Weekly Message



This week I had the pleasure of receiving the data from the parent and pupil surveys that were completed in December. I am delighted to announce that we have much cause for celebration here at The Hurlingham Academy. It was so nice to read all the positive comments regarding your children's education. As you know, I am committed to continuous improvement, and will not rest until we are not only the best academy in the borough but the best academy in London. I truly believe that our pupils really deserve it. Over the next few weeks, I will be looking at the feedback and discussing suggested areas for development with staff and parents to ensure that we are providing the best education for our pupils that we can.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those parents who took part; your feedback really is valued. As ever, I would like to remind all parents and members of our community that we pride ourselves in having an open-door policy that extends further than the classroom door. Truly, our doors are open to the public every day, as anyone who would like to see The Hurlingham Academy in action is welcome to a tour or a conversation with a member of senior staff. If you would like to meet with me, do contact my PA who can ensure I am available to meet.

Geography Field Trip

On Monday 20th January, Year 10 Geography students embarked on a 3-day residential trip to the Field Studies Council - Flatford Mill near to the Essex/Suffolk border. Their aim was to investigate how coastal management at Walton on the Naze impacts the community. Students carried out a series of methods to investigate this, such as measuring the beach profile and analysing sediment at two sites on the coast – one with coastal defences and one without. They then discussed their findings and analysed their results back at the centre, concluding that the coastal defences impact the community positively because they prevent coastal erosion meaning attractions such as the Naze Tower do not fall into the sea. Although cold, the weather was glorious, and the sun shone throughout the trip. Students worked very hard and were a credit to the school. They are now well-equipped with the knowledge and understanding needed for 15% of the GCSE geography exam. Well done Year 10 geographers!



Spelling Bee with Ms Hiscocks

It was a close call in the house spelling bee this week. Each house had to put forward three members to compete in spelling various tricky words correctly. Veritas and Aequitas were the first to drop out, and it was a close competition between Unitas and Caritas with Caritas just taking the lead in the final round (no favouritism was shown I promise). It was a tough challenge and a well-fought battle by all those who took part. Well done.



Mr Wilson's Commendations

It's been a busy week here at The Hurlingham Academy with pupils revising hard for their assessments both in school and at home. Congratulations this week go to the following pupils, who made it to the top of our maths, leaderboard.:

Year 11 - Hassan

Year 10 - Yara

Year 9 - Adem

Year 8 - Anais

Year 7 - Christopher



I have no doubt that all your hard work will be reflected in your assessment scores.

Key dates for week beginning January 27th - Week 1

Description	Date	Time
Whole School Assembly	Monday 27 th January	08:25 - 9:00
Whole School assessments	Monday 27 th January– Friday 31 st January	08:25 - 15:30



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