



## Mr Wilson's Weekly Message



Firstly I would like to welcome everyone back, all be it virtually, and I hope you all had a restful Easter break despite the lockdown. Last week I wrote to all parents outlining the plans for home learning this half term. After careful consideration, we decided to change the school timetable, to ensure workload is manageable for all pupils. Pupils now have three 1 hour lessons per day. I cannot stress enough the importance of pupils completing this work, so students don't fall behind when school reopens. As mentioned in my letter, your feedback on the changes is very much welcomed. This is unprecedented times for all, and I am keen to ensure that we are providing our pupils with the best possible education throughout this difficult time.

As well as daily work, you also will have received a phone call from your child's tutor this week. All staff here at The Hurlingham Academy are here to support both you and your child through this time. If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact the school or your child's Head of Year. I would also like to thank you again for all the emails and kind words of support and encouragement to our staff. This means a lot as we go through these unprecedented times. I am looking forward to welcoming all pupils back to school as soon as we can, but until then continue to stay safe, exercise and enjoy the family you have around you.

## Mr Wilson's Commendations

Pupils have been working hard on their class work all week and have once more been submitting some outstanding pieces of work.

The Geography department would like to congratulate the following pupils for their outstanding work; Jordan Alexander, Alan Yang, Amir Rustamov, Jaylen De Silva, Tegan Braithwaite-Ducklin, Christopher Mil-san-Korma, Chloe Lester, Xin Lin Liu, Elsie Gibson Larry Paxton, Samuel Mateus, Kelsey Andrews, Jack Hill, Chrisa Tsalia, Ana Rafaela Ribeiro Rijo and Gintare Galisauskaite.

The Science department would like to congratulate the following for their hard work on educake; Jordan Alexander, Myla Mighty, Mischa Jim-Lawson, Muhammad Khan, Arina Goncharova, Precious Eguaroje and Aedriel Baltazar.

Maths would like to say well done to Afran Baheru, Alan Yang, Omar Dhoonshe, Ky Francois, Sismay Mussei, Chuqiao Zhou, Isaac Kechad Cardenas, Chenrui Gao, Imraan Ahmed, Adem Yahiaoui, Thomas Avgoustidis, Abdirahman Omar, Jesse Rivero Vela, Julia Oufino Scalia Vasconcelos, Isadora Rego Bueno, Josie Qiu, Sara Zamora Grisales, Bobby Fearon, Lizbeth Victoriano Silva, Samre Haile, Maria Casteneda Porras, Aedriel Baltazar and Precious Eguaroje.

Miss Hiscocks would like to say a massive well done to Alfred (7N), Justin Ryan Tendan, Rose Asigbee, Sonia Bezoyan, Erisa Geraj, Chloe, Max Wilson, Felix Castagno Mayenco, Ezana Teshome, Mischa Jim-Lawson, Mary-Rose Bumalang, Pimi Surinchai, Simon Gidey, Isadora Rego Bueno, Hannah Ciftci, Ayman Coomber, Seifalla Ibrahim, Monica Enkhbat, Emir Aybars Demirbas, and Fatima Galan Boulayoun.

And finally Miss Robinson would like to congratulate Bailey Kidd, Elijah Omar, Myla Mighty, Dalal Karim, Chloe Taylor-Botwright and Dania Bendaoud for all their hard work across their subjects.



## Celebrating Earth Day at THA

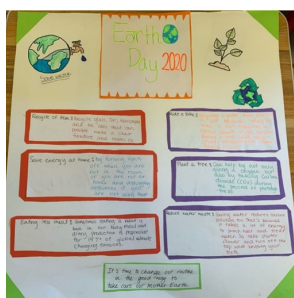
On Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April, The Hurlingham Academy celebrated Earth Day 2020. This year marks 50 years since the first Earth Day took place across the world and the theme for this year is climate action. The Geography and Science departments marked the day by getting students involved in a creative competition in which they had to come up with solutions for how we can help preserve and look after our Earth and present these in a creative way. Staff and students were also asked to make pledges to demonstrate their commitment to making this world a better place for us and future generations. The responses to our creative competition were fantastic, and it was so hard to decide on the overall winners! In the end, there were just too many great entries to choose from, so we are pleased to announce two winners from each KS3 year group:

Year 7: Jaylen De Silva 7L and Jack Benson 7R

Year 8: Bianka Brzezinska 8L and Hasan Jubril Alao 8H

Year 9: Tania Reynolds 9H and Mary-Rose Bumanglag 9R

Well done to all of you – postcards in the on their way! Here is a reminder of their fantastic creations:



We also had some fantastic pledges from staff and students. Below are some of our favourites:

Anastasia Giampoulaki (7H) – 'I will limit my showers to 5 minutes and switch off the lights if the room is unoccupied.'

Abdallah Omar (7H) – 'I pledge to always carry a reusable water bottle and not use single-use bottles.'

Anwar Mussa (7U) – 'I'm going to use less electricity and only use it at appropriate times.'

Khayriyyah Verstaen (8H) – 'I pledge to go vegetarian for a week every month.'

Niamh Faleye (8H) – 'I will limit my use of single-use plastic, recycle, and use reusable sustainable plastics.'

Anis Yahiaoui (8U) - pledges to reuse boxes and small plastic bags.

Justin Ryan Tendan (8U) - pledges to minimise the plastic in his house and eat the food given to him.

Georgij Gjorgiev (9H) - pledges to use less paper and recycle used paper.

Danna Cassandra Acain (9H) - is going to spend more time in her garden and spend less time on her phone.

Eishan Ahmed (9U) - pledges to carry a reusable water bottle.

Abdirahman Omar (9R) – 'I will recycle instead of throwing everything in the waste bin.'

Teja Pierre (10H) – 'I pledge to reduce my food and electricity wastage.'

Beril Dermenci (11H) - pledges to stop buying things she does not need and try to buy second hand items such as clothes and books to reduce waste.

## Riddle of the Week

Each week in assembly Miss May is setting her year 7's a riddle of the week. Over the Easter holidays pupils were given two riddles to try to crack:

"What belongs to you but used more by others?"

"What is seen in the middle of the months March and April but can't be seen at the beginning or end of either month?"

We would like to say a massive well done to Megan Nafi, Nila Hunter and Jaylen De Silva for being the first three pupils to submit the correct answers. See if you can also crack the riddles... answers will be published in next week's newsletter.



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