



Mr Wilson's Weekly Message



On Tuesday we had my favourite event in our calendar– Open Evening. It's fair to say this year's did not disappoint. Despite the cold, it proved to be our busiest ever with over 400 potential parents and pupils visiting throughout the evening. It gave me such an overwhelming sense of pride when I stood to give my talk and looked out to an absolutely packed hall. Although our doors are always open to anyone who wishes to see The Hurlingham Academy, Open Evenings and Open Mornings do serve as a special treat. They are a chance to see the students, staff and school shine as they discuss what they are most passionate about:

learning. As I joined various tour groups throughout the evening, led by our exceptional Prefect team, I noticed how much pride our students have in their school. Year 11 Prefects spoke with authority as they described the rationale behind our systems and explained how they plan to achieve outstanding results this year. They were also able to share so many personal stories about how the school has helped them throughout their time with us. As is so often the case, it was listening to our students, rather than my own voice, on Open Evening that I learnt the most. We strive to be the best both academically and pastorally, supporting our pupils throughout their secondary school career and ensuring we fully prepare them for the next chapter of their journey. From listening to the reflections the prefects were sharing, I am confident that we are providing the very best schooling experience for our pupils. I am now looking forward to our upcoming open mornings, where parents will be able to come in and see the school in action. If you wish to attend an Open Morning, please visit our school website for more information.



Open Evening

- Tuesday 27th September 2022 - 5:00 - 7:30pm.
- Principal's talk at 6:15pm

Open Mornings October 2022

- Monday 3rd - Friday 7th October
- Monday 10th October
- Wednesday 12th October
- Friday 14th October
- Monday 17th October
- Wednesday 19th October
- Friday 21st October

Book online by scanning the QR Code below.



Year 7 enrichment

On Monday we launched our after school enrichment programme with Year 7. It was fantastic to see the whole year group trying new activities and building new relationships. The list of clubs we have on offer this term is as follows:

- Textiles Club
- Arts and Crafts club
- Build your own business
- Chinese culture club
- Coding club
- Communication award
- Debate club
- Boys football
- French culture club
- Gymnastics
- Marimba club
- Moving up
- Netball
- Numeracy
- Running club
- Science club
- Urban rangers
- Young Authors
- EAL club
- Fencing
- Film club

If any pupils from Year 8-10 would also like to join a club, please speak to Mme Cabo.



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Mr Wilson's Commendations

It has been another impressive week here at the academy, with pupils once more working hard on their studies both in the classroom and at home. Congratulations go to all the following pupils who made it to the top of our maths, and science leader boards this week.

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

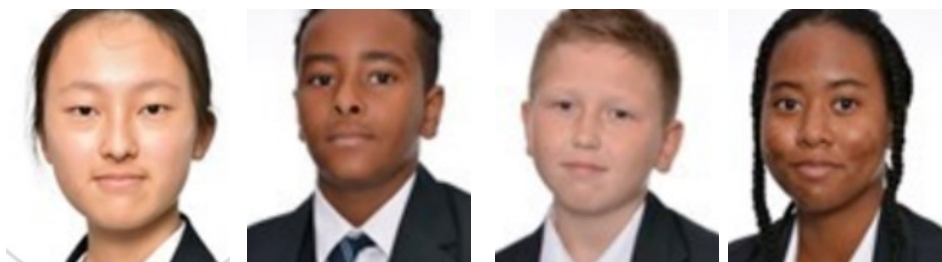
Year 7: Eglentina

Year 8: Mahdar

Year 9: Jay

Year 10: Miya

Year 11: Chuqiao



Top of the leader board for Educake this week with most correct questions answered are:

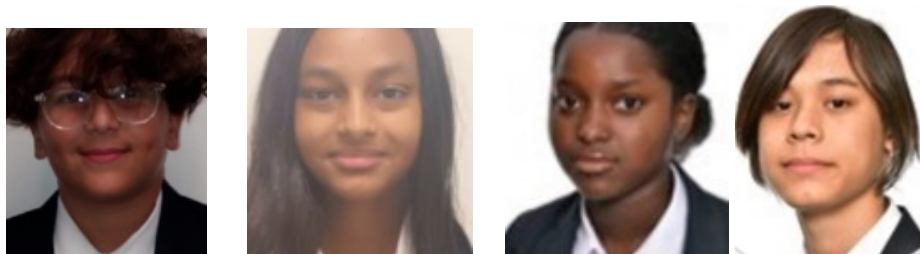
Year 7: Isaac

Year 8: Omar

Year 9: Ameera

Year 10: Nila

Year 11: Liam



Getting to know you Ms Hall

Name: Ms Hall

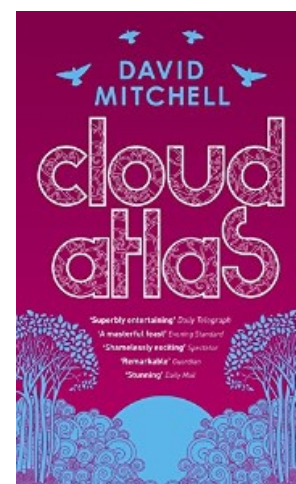
Job: Teacher of English and drama

Favourite Book: Cloud Atlas by David Mitchell

Interesting fact about me: I have lived in Australia

Favourite thing about working at THA: I love how welcoming all the pupils have been

House: Caritas



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Subject In The Spotlight



This week's subject in the spotlight is.... Science with Ms Wong.

This week in Science...

Year 7 have been learning about particles and separation methods. They are completing practical work on filtration, evaporation, and distillation. Soon they will learn about paper chromatography and solubility.

Year 8 have been learning about the periodic table, the atomic structure and formation of ions. They will be able to understand and use the periodic table effectively by the end of this module.

Year 9 have completed the module on biological system. They have learnt how the muscles and bones work together and, the effect of exercise on breathing and respiration. They are now starting their chemistry module. Soon, they will learn about chemical reactions between acids and alkalis.

Year 10 have been learning about the heart and how it pumps blood around the body. Students have also been learning about heart diseases and risk factors for non-communicable diseases. These topics have allowed them to identify lifestyle factors that are linked to various diseases in the UK such as Type 2 diabetes and coronary heart disease. Soon students will look at structure and bonding in Chemistry.

Year 11 have been learning about the nervous system and hormones in the menstrual cycle. Students looked at how the body can self-regulate through homeostasis and negative feedback to regulate conditions such as blood sugar levels. Students are now moving on to the unit Forces and Motion where they will learn about the effects of forces in everyday life and the work of Isaac Newton.

For further curriculum information, please go to www.thehurlinghamacademy.org.uk/curriculum/curriculum-maps



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House events with Mr Pudney

Another thrilling week in the House system as we continued our regular competitions into week three of the school year.

Rowing was Tuesday and it was once again Caritas and the experienced Head of House, Miss Hayward, who led her House to victory. Unitas made lots of progress on the machines by finishing in a close second place compared with fourth place last week.

Miss Eshelby then hosted a teabag throwing competition! Pupils and staff had to get the tea-bags into a House mug from a distance of their choosing, with each distance worth a different amount of points. Caritas again reigned supreme and have clearly been practicing at home! They scored 125 points, and in joint third place were Unitas and Veritas.

Countdown was as close as ever, all Houses coming up with excellent words and performing great mental arithmetic, with a four-way tie for the points at House Countdown.

Join us again next week for updates!

See below for scores!

Term 1

1st	Aequitas	575
2nd	Caritas	550
3rd	Veritas	375
4th	Unitas	350



Key dates for weeks beginning October 3rd and 10th

Description	Date	Time
Whole school assembly	Monday 3 rd October	08:30 - 9:00
Open Mornings	Monday 3 rd - Friday 7 th October	09:00 - 12:00
Year 11 final push evening	Thursday 6 th October	17:00-18:00
Whole school assembly	Monday 10 th October	08:30 - 9:00
Year 10 welcome to GCSE evening	Wednesday 12 th October	17:00 - 18:30



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