



Mr Wilson's Weekly Message



As the last day of Term 4 draws to a close, I look back and marvel at how much has changed and how quickly we've had to adapt to this new reality. On Monday, I hosted our first Skype staff briefing and it was so lovely to be able to speak to all members of staff, even if it was remotely. I know how much your children miss coming to school but I would like to reassure you that our teachers are working extremely hard from home to provide high quality lessons online. Our students have

shown great resilience and continue to submit some fantastic pieces of work. Thank you for all you are doing to support your children's learning at home. Though lots of aspects of our life may have been put on hold, education hasn't stopped and I'd like to offer my heartfelt thanks to our community for all your efforts as we all learn to adjust to our new norm. I am confident that we will get through this together. During the Easter break, please make sure you take time away from screens to relax, read a book, exercise and enjoy the family you have around you. Teachers have assigned one piece of work for students over the holiday so please ensure they complete it. I expect all students to sign in online Tuesday 21st April by 9.15am, ready for the start of Term 5. Please don't hesitate to contact us if you have any concerns during this difficult time. Enjoy your Easter and I look forward to welcoming you all back virtually at the start of next term.

Year 8 Poetry Competition

At the beginning of the week Miss Robinson launched a poetry competition with year 8, and it has been great to see so many entries. I am pleased to announce the winner is Larry Paxton with the following poem:

"In self isolation, its very sad,

I'm helping my sister, my mum and my dad.

At this point it's not very fun,

But there is one thing that I'm good at, and its getting my homework done.

I can't wait to go back to school, hip hip hooray!

Guess what I'm doing now, the same thing every day.

We like board games and we want more

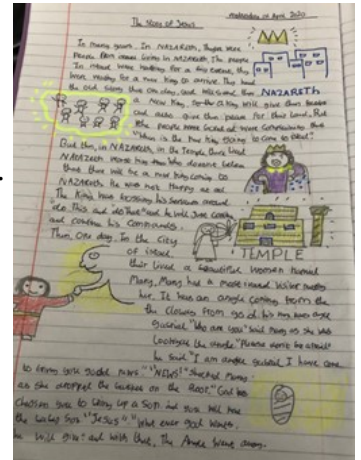
But obviously we can't because we have to stay indoors."



Mr Wilson's Commendations

Pupils continue to work incredibly hard, and yet again my inbox has been full of teachers emailing to say how pleased they are with our pupils. Again, I would like to take the time to congratulate those pupils who have shown real resilience and produced some fantastic pieces of work this week.

Firstly, Miss Hiscocks would like to congratulate Christopher Milsan-Korma for his fantastic story of Jews. He produced an amazing six page document complete with pictures. This really is an excellent example of a pupil taking ownership of their learning, and a real pride in their education. Well done Christopher. Miss Hiscocks would also like to say congratulations to the following pupils for their excellent independent work; Alexandra, Julia and Ali (all from 9H), Phoebe, Mary-Rose, Isadora, and Abdirahman (9R), Chloe Salmon, Chloe Taylor-Botwright and Dania (8I), Rose, Elijah, Imraan and Jahnai (8U), Saron, Jack, Abigail and Jake (7R) and Angel, Angel and Bradley (7N).



The maths department would like to congratulate the following pupils for their fantastic engagement this week; Ameen, Christine, Adam, Marwa, Zunaria, Ema, Demi, Malakai, Taurie and Christopher (year 7), Filip, Chloe Zhou, Joshua, Hamza, Dalal, Elsie and Sismay (year 8), Danna, Daniela, Anastasia, Max, Isadora, Scarlett, Mary-Rose, Chamiah, Aya and Emilly (year 9), Jaxon, Seif, Muhummad, Anna, Aaliyah, Jake, Alexiane, Faye and Sara (year 10) and Haytham, Beril, Gavriela, Mijgona and Aedriel (year 11).

Finally Mr Pudney would like to say well done to the following year 11 pupils, who have been mentioned by a number of their teachers for their hard work and commitment to their learning; Savanna, Hassan, Precious, Hamza, Valentina, Gavriela, Paige, Isis, Carla, Carl, Lilian, Nam, Gintare, Ibtisam, Rio and Adam.

Congratulations to all pupils mentioned. I look forward to hearing about more of your fantastic efforts after the Easter break.

Key dates for week beginning April 6th

Description	Date	Time
Easter Holidays	Monday 6th— Friday 17th April	08:25 - 15:30
Staff inset	Monday 20th April	08:25 - 15:30
Start of summer term— online learning commences	Tuesday 21st April	08:25 - 15:30

Please note that during the Easter break, The Hurlingham Academy will be closed for all pupils. Childcare for children of key workers will be provided by 'Let me play'. If you would like more details regarding options for key workers over the Easter break please email Miss Reid.



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