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# Parents' Newsletter

26<sup>th</sup> May 2017



## A Note from Mr Newman ....

Following the tragic events in Manchester on Monday evening, as a school community we paused, yesterday morning, to reflect and show our support for the victims, their friends and families. Form tutors also spent time discussing Monday's events with our students.

#### Exams

GCSE and A Level exam season is now in full swing. I have been hugely impressed by the commitment our students have shown with the final preparations for their exams over the past two weeks, working so positively with each other and our teachers. Year 11 students have been embracing all of the final warm-up sessions and have conducted themselves in an exemplary way during all of their exams. School has also been busy on Saturdays and we have a full revision programme planned for May half-term. I continue to be enormously grateful to our teaching staff for their commitment to supporting our Year 11 and Sixth Form students. Some of our students have also continued to benefit from specialist teaching from Haileybury staff in some subject areas. I wish our students every success with their remaining exams before the Year 11 Leavers' Assembly, Year 11 Prom and Year 13 Dinner and Dance.

Teachers have been busy marking assessments from our most recent Assessment Fortnight. Our final assessment period of the academic year takes place in June with End of Year Exams for Year 7-10 and Year 12 students. I would urge all students to fully prepare for these exams to give an accurate indication of their progress during this academic year. We will then report the grades from these exams in the final Progress Update of the year which will be published in the last week of term in July.

#### **Pivotal Education**

You will have received a letter from Mrs Goodes, Assistant Principal this week about our work focused on developing positive relationships with our students, working with an organisation called Pivotal Education. The Pivotal framework places emphasis on developing positive relationships whilst maintaining our high



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## **School Calendar**

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#### SUMMER TERM

Tuesday 18th April - Friday 7th July 2017 Half-term Monday 29th May to Friday 2nd June AUTUMN TERM Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> August to Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2017 Monday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2017: First day for Year 7, Year 11, Year 12 and Year 13 Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2017: First day for Year 8, Year 9 and Year 10 Half-term Monday 23rd October to Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2017 SPRING TERM Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January to Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> March 2018 Half-term Monday 12<sup>th</sup> February to Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2018 SUMMER TERM Begins on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> April: Friday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2018 Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> April: Year 11 & 13 Students only Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> April: All Students return Half-term Monday 28<sup>th</sup> May to Friday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2018 STAFF TRAINING DAYS

Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> August 2017 Friday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2017 Friday 6<sup>th</sup> October 2017 Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2018 Monday 9<sup>th</sup> April 2018

15.5.17-23.6.17: Year 11 GCSE Exams & A Levels 26.5.17: Year 9 Young Enterprise Event w/c 29.5.17: Half Term 14.6.17: Year 6 Parents' Transition Evening 19.6.17: Parents' Forum 5.30pm w/c 19.6.17: End of Year Exams Years 7-9 & 12 & Year 10 Intervention Week w/c 26.6.17: End of Year 10 Exams 26-27/6/17: Year 12 Induction Days 28.6.17: Year 13 Dinner and Dance 30.6.17: Sports Day 4.7.17: Year 6 Transition Day 5.7.17: Year 11 Leavers' Assembly 6.7.17: Year 11 Prom 7.7.17: Progress Updates live on Insight 7.7.17: End of Summer Term (1.20pm finish)

expectations of students to create a calm and positive culture so that effective learning can take place. We will be explaining more about this work at the next Parents' Forum on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> June 2017.

#### **Student Successes**

I have met many students recently as we aim to celebrate their successes more publicly. We have established 'Students of the Week' with a weekly winner from each House. Year 9 students recently had Hot Chocolate with the Principal to discuss the brilliant geography work which they have been completing - **Iasmina Khakipour, Chloe Ahern, Harvey Cushings, Maddison Murphy, Maja Obarowska, Candice Boatin and Sam Marandaz** have all been consistently achieving highly in their geography assessments due to their consistent positive attitude to learning and perseverance. To see such interest and motivation for their work, inspired by their teachers was wonderful. We have also had four students recently graduate following their participation in the Brilliant Club programme, **Holly Waughman, Denzel Agyemang Duah-Anim, Sean Love and Millie Spires** - full details later in the newsletter. Having the opportunity for these students to be coached and inspired by a current university PhD student was a wonderful opportunity - they rose to the challenge superbly. My thanks to Mrs Green for coordinating this new opportunity for our students.

When we return after half-term, the school will be participating in our Mock General Election on 8th June. This is an excellent opportunity to help our students to understand the democratic system in our country and be more informed about the General Election when it takes place.

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Mr R Newman Principal

#### **News from Haileybury Academy Trust**



We have been delighted to welcome groups of Haileybury Turnford students to Haileybury this term, where they have had revision classes in GCSE science and A level mathematics and psychology. The Head of Modern Languages at Haileybury has also been working with HT Spanish students, as they polish their skills in preparation for the forthcoming public exams. The Haileybury teachers who have been working with these HT students have commented on how committed and courteous they have been, with some even asking for additional lessons. We intend to continue this practical support for HT students next year.

It was a pleasure too, to welcome HT's Senior Leadership Team to Haileybury earlier this term, where they met their counterparts on the Haileybury Senior Leadership Team, exchanging ideas and good practice over tea and cake. We look forward to developing relations between both sets of teaching staff, at all levels, in the weeks and terms ahead.

Finally, Haileybury Turnford's governing body continues to meet regularly, where we are committed to raising standards and opportunities for all the young people at HT. We are looking too at how we can improve the working environment for students and staff at HT. While there will be some refurbishment and decoration this summer, the governors are committed to making more substantial improvements to the site in the medium term. We will, of course, keep you informed of any plans when these are confirmed.

On behalf of the governors of HT, I wish you well for a good half term holiday and very good luck for those taking important exams.

Mr R Matcham Chairman of Governors

#### **The Principal's Book** The following students have been entered into the Principal's Book for excellent work in the period since the last Parents' Newsletter. **English Assessment** Music **Rebecca Fletcher 7LD** Natalia Michalik 9HJ Alvesha Diedrick 7LD **Danny Jackson 9AS** Mason Presland 7WK **Courtney Chorley 9SL Sports Studies** Sammy Chistopher 10RC **Gardening Club** Uche Uwakwe 7CB Science Lewis Young 9DD **Poetry Published** Chloe Parker 9HJ Jon Milazzo Sixth Form Amy Burgess 9EG Tasha Browne 9MF Food Technology **The Brilliant Club** Ellie Clark 10RC Nikki Furley 10LS **Millie Spires** Holly Waughman **PSD** Prep **Denzel Agyemang Duah-Anim Dollie Ayres 7LD** Tia Szaawatkowski 7LD

## **Current House Positions**

Below are the current House positions. House points are calculated by adding up all of the Vivo points, 96% or higher attendance and any competitions that have taken place since the start of the academic year to date.

Overall September to Present				
Position	House	Points		
1	Pankhurst	24296		
2	Bevan	24221		
3	Turing	23585		
4	Shackleton	22649		

## Well done Pankhurst

Mr N Megaw Assistant Principal



## Student of the Week – 8<sup>th</sup> May 2017

Bevan Harvey Cushings 9 EG Always going above and beyond in his English lessons, setting a superb example with his excellent work ethic! - English	<b>Pankhurst</b> Jordan Maisuria-Wake 9EG Excellent perseverance in lessons - Business
Shackleton Louie Smith – 10RH Excellent attitude to learning since Easter. Won 10Sc5 star of the week - Science	Bevan Daisy Jarvis – 11OH Going above and beyond to ensure she gets the best grade possible in her GCSE PE exam. An outstanding student who has worked tirelessly to be the best she can be a true credit to teach - PE

## Student of the Week – 15<sup>th</sup> May 2017

<b>Bevan</b> <b>Tasha Browne 9MF</b> Great improvement in both batting and fielding in cricket, picking up a new sport quickly with proficiency - <i>PE</i>	Pankhurst Lucy Allen 9MF Great courage and focus in lessons – <i>Music</i>
<b>Shackleton</b> <b>Jodie Kline – 8CO</b> Great French assessment – achieved 5- <i>- French</i>	<b>Turing</b> <b>Ceren Gidsli – 8CO</b> She perseveres with French and is consistently hardworking despite still trying to learn English at the same time. Her effort and behaviour is exemplary - French

Students are nominated by staff, then one student from each House has been selected – will you be next?

Mr N Megaw Assistant Principal

#### **Students Graduate from The Brilliant Club**

On Wednesday of last week, four of our most able Y10 students visited Kings College London to celebrate their graduation from the Brilliant Club. These students have attended a series of universitystyle seminars with a PHD tutor on 'Nature and the memory of forgetting' after which they submitted a 2000 essay, completed in their own time, and without support or guidance from teachers. The students who entered work achieved top grades ranging from a  $1^{st}$  to 2:2 – a huge achievement. The students enjoyed a fun tour of the campus, a good lunch and a formal graduation ceremony with other schools. Congratulations to Holly Waughman, Millie Spires, Sean Love, Denzel Agyemang Duah-Anim and Owen Furley (who was unable to attend) – we are extremely proud of them.



#### Year 10 - Cheshunt Rugby Under 15's Triumphant Double Promotion

Cheshunt RFC under 15's A & B's ended their successful season on a high on Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2017 beating Saracens RFC in two great games of rugby, with both sides being represented by Year 10 Haileybury Turnford students past and present.



The following students played pivotal roles in the successful campaigns - Charlie Dean, Dylan Newman, Ibi Tanak, Joe Matthews and Charlie Terry.

Assistant Year Achievement Coordinator and Coach, Mr Duligall, is extremely proud of all the players and their performances over the campaign. Their positive attitudes and dedication throughout the season long campaign are a testament to them, representing themselves in a commendable manner, well done!

#### Year 10 & 11 – Business Studies Exam Warm Up Session

Business students from Year 10 & 11 attended an exam warm up session on the morning of 24<sup>th</sup> May 2017. The 30 minute session was very well attended and supported by the whole Business department (Mr Lindquist, Mrs Shivalkar, Mr Megaw, Miss Tailor, Mr Walsh and Mrs Green). Students were taking pointers and asking some really good questions. A real show of commitment by all.



A particular mention to **Ellie Robinson, Mia Andic & Lois Green** of Year 10 who turned up to school at 7.15am to get in some last minute revision.

I'm sure students would also like to thank Mr Megaw for providing some healthy breakfast snacks.

Well done all, and good luck!

**Mr S Lindquist** Year Leader – Year 10

#### From the Music Department

Year 9 music students have been working towards their Arts Award Bronze certificate during their GCSE music course this year. Part of the Arts Award certificate comprises of learning a new skill and then sharing that skill with others.





Our Year 9 music students have been learning a new instrument through having instrumental lessons with our team of visiting instrumental teachers. The students have recently been sharing this skill through teaching a friend to play their instrument at lunch times in the music block. This activity has been lots of fun for the students and has been an excellent learning experience for all.

#### **Instrumental lessons**

Changes to instrumental lessons from September 2017:

To all parents who pay for their child to have instrumental lessons at school, we wish to advise you of the following changes from September 2017. The changes are coming into effect as recommended by Hertfordshire Music Service, who provide instrumental tuition for the school.

Parents will be invoiced in advance of the start of each term. Invoices that are not paid by the first lesson of each term will result in your child ceasing instrumental lessons until payment is made.

Lessons will only be allowed to stop at the end of a term and written cancellation notice needs to be received by the school by the preceding half term.

This means that if your child has music lessons in the Autumn term but does not want to continue music lessons in the Spring term you need to give written notice to the school by Friday 20 October 2017. The school will not make any refund in respect of music lessons if you choose to end them without giving the appropriate notice.

Charges for instrumental lessons will be increasing from September as follows. The charges are for 11 lessons per term.

Shared (2)	(30 minutes)	=	£110.00
Individual Tuition	(15 minutes)	=	£110.00
Individual Tuition	(20 minutes)	=	£148.50
Individual Tuition	(30 minutes)	=	£220.00

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact me at <u>nicholsons@haileyburyturnford.com</u>

Mrs S Nicholson Subject Lead for Music

#### Minute Silence for the Manchester victims and their families

Students Mark Connell, Barney Howlett, Sophie King, Joanna Evenden and Ben Hajdu from Year 8 and Jamie Telfer, Stefania Urziceanu, Idil Attundal, Dollie Ayres and Jamie Curry from Year 7 joined Mr Newman and Miss Williams for a minute silence at our flagpole yesterday morning for the victims, friends and families of the Manchester attack on Monday.





#### **Reader of the Month – May**



Reader of the month for May is Year 7 HT student **Koray Hassan**. He enjoys coming along to the library with his friends. They often sit together and choose History books to read whilst in the library at break and lunchtimes. As a result of his regular reading his latest reading assessment shows he is making impressive progress. Well done!

Mrs A Saunders Learning Resources Manager

## Life Education – Cheshunt Fire Station – May 2017

Congratulations to **Bashkim Dobranja**, Year 10 and **Sonny Athenasi**, Year 8 on their completion of a week long programme run by Cheshunt Fire Station.

Mr Lindquist & Mrs Elliott visited the station on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> May 2017 to observe the boys in their "Passing Out" parade where they illustrated their dedication and a wide range of skills, representing the school in an exemplary manner. Well done!







## Haileybury Turnford supporting The Sick Childrens Trust



Staff and students hand a cheque over to The Sick Childrens Trust for £242.50.