



A FEW WORDS FROM MR NEWMAN

When I reflect on our busy year I am reminded of the real progress we continue to make as a school community. It has been an action-packed end to the Autumn Term, with many of the recent events showcased in this Christmas edition of HT News.

There have been so many highlights in recent weeks, including our end of term Christmas events. Last week we had two Music Concerts which showcased the talents of our musicians in Year 8-11. We also had our HT Mock General Election which was an excellent opportunity for our students to learn much more about the UK's voting and election process. On Wednesday last week we had our wonderful Christmas Carol Service at Haileybury Chapel which was very much enjoyed by students and staff. We supported Save the Children's Christmas Jumper Day last Friday and along with our cake sale organised by Year 7, we raised nearly £700 in total. On Tuesday this week it was wonderful to celebrate this summer's Year 11 and Year 13 exam results at our Certificates Evening, and we have also had events for this term's most hard working and committed students before finishing term today with our Achievement Assemblies.

Thank you for your support for the school throughout 2019. It has been a really successful year for our students and staff with an uplift in GCSE, vocational and A Level exam results in the summer. Highlights included the wonderful Year 11 maths results which showed that our students made significantly greater progress from Key Stage 2 compared to students of the same ability profile nationally. We had great success in many subject areas in the sixth form, and our students secured a wide range of great destinations in the world of work and in higher education beyond HT. Following our work with Channel 4 and our secret entrepreneur, Paul Rowlett, we secured significant new resources for our students including over 100 new specialist PCs which our students have benefited from in Art & Photography, Media and Design & Technology this term, and there will be new opportunities for students in Business in the new year as a result of Paul's support. The opportunity to work with Channel 4 has made a huge difference to the quality of education we have been able to provide to students in these curriculum areas. Next year we expect to see new classrooms being built to go alongside the fully refurbished Science laboratories that Professor Robert Winston opened this term. We are fully staffed for January 2020 and look forward to another successful twelve months for the school, improving the quality of the education that we can provide for your children.

I wish all students and families a very Happy Christmas and peaceful New Year

DATES AND EVENTS

AUTUMN TERM

Monday 2nd September to Friday 20th December 2019

Half-term (2 weeks)

Monday 21st October to Friday 1st November 2019

SPRING TERM

Monday 6th January to Friday 3rd April 2020

Half-term

Monday 17th February to Friday 21st February 2020

SUMMER TERM

Tuesday 14th April to Friday 17th July 2020

Tuesday 14th April – Year 11 and 13 students only

Wednesday 15th April – All students return

Half-term

Monday 25th May to Friday 29th May 2020

20th December 2019 - School Closes at 1.30pm

6th January 2020 - Staff Training Day 4

7th January - All students return to school

13th January – Year 11 Tate Modern trip

15th January - University applications deadline

16th January - Year 12 Parents' Evening 4.00pm-6.00pm

17th January – Year 12 Houses of Parliament trip

22nd January - Year 9 Geography RGS Workshop

24th January - HT News published

27th January - Holocaust Memorial Day

5th February - The Scholars Programme Graduation – Year 10

6th February - Year 7 Parents' Evening 4.00pm-7.00pm

10th February - Parents' Forum 5.30pm-6.30pm

11th February - Safer Internet Day

11th February - Positively Mad – Exam busters and Super Study Skills workshops for Year 11 and Year 10

11th February - Music Trip to Royal Festival Hall for London

Philharmonic Orchestra Schools' Concert – various year groups

14th February - HT News published

17-21st February Half Term

27-28th February – School Production

2-6th March – National Careers Week

2nd March – Year 9 DTP HMenACWY Vaccinations

5th March Year 9,10,12 & 13 Theatre trip

5th March – Year 10 Parents' Evening 4.00pm-7.00pm

8th March – International Women's Day at Haileybury

9-13th March British Science Week

13th March - HT News published

16-17th - March CCF Field Day

19th March – Year 8 Parents' Evening 4.00pm-7.00pm

24th March – Music Concert 5.00-6.15pm

26th March – Lunchtime Music concert 1030pm-1.55pm

26th March Year 7-10 & 12 Awards Evening 6.00pm-7.00pm

27th March – Year 11 & 13 Group Photographs

31st March – KS3 Harry Potter Studios trip

2nd April – Year 11 Parents' Evening 2.4.00pm-7.00pm

3rd April – HT News published

3rd April – End of Term, school finishes at 1.30pm

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The Principal's Book

Congratulations to our students who have signed the Principal's Book for excellent work and contributions to the school.

Excellent Work Mason Hodgson Thomas Brown Andie Smyth Cadance Ross	Singers and Readers at HT Carol Service Adam Beat Gabriella Newallo-Ragbir Louie Mabbett Madelina Zavadoschi Dante Barzy Seval Basri	Music for Assemblies Stephanie Pearce Samuel Featherston Alexander Lawrence Reece Shaw Athletic Trophy Alexa Forster	Christmas Card Competition winners Kaitlyn Mungaroo Aaliyah Dixon Gabriella Newallo-Ragbir
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Students of the week: 2/12/19

Shackleton	Pankhurst	Bevan	Turing	Austen	Bader
Abigail Blunt	Lily Clayton	Idil Altundal	Lydia Rotsa	Gaetano Ciucea	Teresa Sumison

Students of the week: 9/12/19

Shackleton	Pankhurst	Bevan	Turing	Austen	Bader
Daniela Machado	Gabriella Newallo-Ragbir	Alex Waldon	Kaitlyn Mungaroo	Adam Beat	Flavius Ghita

Students of the week: 16/12/19

Shackleton	Pankhurst	Bevan	Turing	Austen	Bader
Aaron Barker	Christiana Bardo	Emily Harrison	Andie Smyth	Tia Campbell	Mackenzie Paulding

Principal's Award – November



Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11	Year 12	Year 13
Richard Amoako	Sam Fleming	Eren Deniz Goztas	Baran Oksuz	Mollyrose McKiernan	Andrea Lazar	Kayleigh Denman

Hot Chocolate with the Principal

Well done to the Year 8 students **Kai Henry, Harrison Lincoln, Connor McGreevy, Alfie Verrier, Louie Mabbett Mason Hodgson, Joel Pinto and Vince Mistretta** who were nominated to join Mr Newman for a Hot Chocolate this week for consistently getting everything right and making excellent progress in Geography this term.



Curriculum Round-up

The partnership between Haileybury and Haileybury Turnford strengthened with a day of masterclasses for students from both schools

Students enjoyed a series of sessions including one which posed the question: 'What is success?', others explored the academic importance of economics. Teachers from both schools delivered talks before the day was rounded off by Patrick McCrae, co-founder and CEO of art company Artiq, who encouraged the Lower School and Year 7 students to aim high.

"We needed to improve the attainment and aspirations of the high-achieving students," said Mr Datta, Haileybury Turnford's Partnership Director of School Improvement. "We thought the best way of doing that is to start in Year 7. That way we can build up a culture of aspiration from the very beginning, exposing them to co-curricular activities and they will gain a much broader understanding of the world and ultimately, we believe this will help them to achieve highly, not just at school but beyond." The aim is to have at least two such events each term with older students eventually acting as mentors for younger year groups.

There are also plans to introduce GCSEs such as Astronomy and Latin – both taught at Haileybury – which could be integrated into the Haileybury Turnford curriculum.



Annual Mayoral Debate



Haileybury Turnford participated in the annual Mayoral Debate on Wednesday 4th December, alongside six other local schools from the Broxbourne area. The six students representing our school were **Lilly Richardson, Andrew Cartwright, Danny Smith, Tate Lambie, Francesca Sorce and Bradley Bolton**. Their performance was truly outstanding; they were passionate, concise and very authentic. The arguments were compelling, yet they shrewdly found perfect moments to make it a little light-hearted. **Francesca Sorce's** electric questioning for the opposition drew breaths away in the first round, which planted the tone that was expected from our valiant team.

Inspiring Dance workshop at HT



HT Dancers had a fabulous workshop with Mel Simpson from Strawberry Dance on 11th December. She led an intense and inspiring Jazz workshop with our Year 11 and 12 Dancers to support their BTEC curriculum. We also welcomed Sixth Form students from Robert Barclay Academy which proved a great opportunity to collaborate with another local school. Thank you both to Strawberry Dance for leading our workshop and to RBA for joining us too.

HT House update – Well done Bevan

Autumn House Points		
Position	House	Points
1	Bevan	20590
2	Pankhurst	20028
3	Bader	19686
4	Austen	19319
5	Turing	19276
6	Shackleton	19027

HT's Carol Service at Haileybury Chapel

On Wednesday 11th December we had our Carol Service at Haileybury Chapel. It was a splendid occasion for our school community, providing an opportunity for our Year 7 and 8 students, staff and families to come together and reflect on the Christmas story. Music was provided by **Seval Basri** and **Dante Barzey**, accompanied by Mrs Nicholson. Readings were from Year 7 students **Adam Beat** and **Gabriella Newallo-Ragbir**, Year 8 students **Louie Mabbett** and **Madelina Zavadowschi**, Head Boy **James Evenden** and also from **Mr Newman**. We were also fortunate that Hailebury's Chamber Choir sung. Our thanks to Reverend Dominic Newstead for leading this years' service and making it such an enjoyable part of the HT Christmas season. Our Year 7 students had a creative writing task to write about their experience at the Carol Service, a selection of their brilliant work can be found towards the end of the newsletter.



Athletic Trophy for Year 10 student

Congratulations to **Alexa Forster** who was awarded the Most Promising Young Athlete trophy for 2019 at her Athletics Club at the beginning of December.



Year 7 Christmas Card Competition

Thank you to our Year 7 students who designed Christmas cards for the Year 7 House Competition. The three winning designs are shown and will be printed as this year's school Christmas cards.

- 1st place with 150 House points - **Aaliya Dixon** 7Bader
- 2nd place with 100 House points - **Kaitlyn Mungaroo** 7 Turing
- 3rd place with 75 House points - **Gabriella Newallo-Ragabir** 7Pankhurst



All entries also received 25 house points for their houses.



Christmas Hampers for some of our families

Christmas is a difficult time for some families. The staff at Haileybury Turnford wanted to make things a little more festive for them and put together some Christmas hampers. Our thanks to Mrs Elliott and Mrs Davey for their hard work to coordinate our Christmas hampers.

Christmas Jumper Day

HT had a Christmas Jumper Day on Friday 13th December. Staff and students raised an amazing £626.93 for Save the Children charity. Well done to everyone who took part.

Year 7 & 8 End of Term Celebrations

A good time was had by students in Year 7 & 8 on Tuesday 17th December when they celebrated an excellent term.



Year 11 & 13 Certificates Evening



Thank you to all parents, students and staff who attended our Certificates Evening on Tuesday evening this week. A fantastic time was had by all, with tea and festive cakes. Students who completed Year 11 last year were present to receive their certificates, as were former Year 13 students. We were delighted to welcome back so many of our students and it was great to hear their stories of how life at university or in the world of work is progressing.

As well as receiving their certificates, four of our students were presented with academic achievement and progress awards. These included **Sam Marendaz** and **Andreea Lazar** from Year 11 and **Liam Kline** and **Danny Phillips** from Year 13. Congratulations to all!

Year 7 & 8 Top Readers

Congratulations to our top 12 readers this term from both Year 7 and 8. They were invited to the Library on Wednesday morning to celebrate their achievements and be presented with their certificate and a cupcake. Well done to all.



Year 7 students	Year 8 students
George Blunt	Raphael Francis
Anastasia Filimonova	Emmanuel Sintim
Danai Cole	Henryk Maciejewski
Connie Sorce	Bright Siaw
Olivia Sorce	Lily Clayton
Millie Webster	Reggie Heaton-Pratt
Matthew Pereira	Daniel Lear
Jake Rixon	Kadie Spink
Gabriella Newallo-Ragbir	Sydney Power
Natasha Thompson	Chloe Ramthor
Ben Staples	Harrison Lincoln
Gaetano Ciucea	David Sterrett



Music lessons at HT for Brookland Junior School pupils



Year 5 pupils from Brookland Junior School have had music lessons taught by Mrs Nicholson, our Subject Leader for Music throughout this term at HT.

It was been excellent to work in partnership with Brookland Junior School's pupils and staff to provide these opportunities. Mr Newman, recently visited a Year 5 lesson: "The Year 5 children looked to be thoroughly enjoying themselves and were responding brilliantly to working in our specialist music room. We look forward to working with another Year 5 class from Brookland Junior School next term and hope this collaboration goes from strength to strength."

Reason to Cheer – Autumn Term

Each month HT staff nominate a colleague for going "above and beyond" at school. This term's winners were:

September – Mr R Duncan, Mrs K Harris, Mrs C Winborn and Mrs J Monck

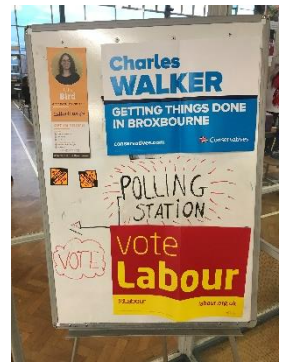
October – Dr R Netting, Mrs S Nicholson, Mrs J Amatruda and Mrs J Jarvis

November – Mrs M Quinn, Miss E Kaposi, Mrs K Blaskett and Miss J Keys

Mock Election held at HT

During assemblies over the run up to the General Election, students learnt about our election process. Part of this included a 'Meet the Parties' event on Monday 9th December. On Tuesday 10th December, all students had the opportunity to vote in HT's Mock General Election.

With 263 votes (37%) the Conservatives took the election. However, they were closely followed by the Liberal Democrats with 223 votes (32%). Labour came in third place with 183 votes (26%) in total. The Green Party came in fourth place with 35 votes (5%). There was 82% turnout from our student body.



Due to our first past the post voting system it means the Conservatives won the election ballot despite not gaining an overall majority of votes. This therefore means that if the school was the constituency of Broxbourne, the Conservatives would have won the seat in Parliament.

The Conservatives managed to win the most votes in 4 of our 6 Houses, with the Liberal Democrats winning the remaining two. Labour managed to come second in two of the House votes.

Carol Service – Creating Writing task

Our Year 7 students were tasked to write about our Carol Service which took place at Haileybury Chapel. A selection can be found below from **Gabriella Newallo-Ragbir, Courtney Riches, Adam Beat and James Hajdu**. Well done to all students who took part.

"On Wednesday 11th December 2019, Year 7 and Year 8 students were invited to attend Haileybury to participate in a Carol Service in their Chapel. At this service, I was chosen to read a passage from The Old Testament to the congregation. When I arrived at the Chapel after the short coach journey, I was very shocked as it was a very grand and magnificent building. The doors to the Chapel were welcoming and I felt comfortable going in. Inside, it had elaborate and intricate designs on the stone walls and pillars. The ceiling had gold writing encircling the grand dome. At the beginning of the celebration, we were welcomed by the Reverend, we then stood up and sang the first carol. Afterwards, the Reverend guided us through the Lord's Prayer and we all said Amen at the end. This was followed by the readings performed by the chosen students and the Principal.



I started to feel anxious and worried as my time to complete my reading was approaching. When hearing the Reverend ask for the two readers to come up to the altar, I began to feel even more nervous as I did not want to mess up my speech in front of everyone. As I grabbed the microphone, I knew I needed to speak clearly and not rush through my speech. After delivering my speech, I felt proud and was relieved that I had not messed it up. After me, Mr Newman addressed the congregation with his speech and following this the Reverend began the closing of the celebration which ended after the final prayer.

To end the day, we were directed into a huge hall where we had orange juice and biscuits. We socialised with each other for a short while before heading back to the coach for our return journey to Haileybury Turnford."

Gabriella Newallo-Ragbir – Year 7

"On Wednesday 11th December we went to Haileybury for a Carol service. First of all, Year 7 and Year 8 students met in the main hall and waited for the coaches to arrive. Then we walked down Mill Lane quickly, so not to arrive at Haileybury late. I was on coach 2 and I sat next to my friend Grace. The short journey to Haileybury was fun.



On arrival, we saw a huge dome with a spire pointing towards the sky. I was really nervous as we were about to enter a private school and didn't want to get anything wrong. The chapel was also huge and inside was so neat and tidy. I felt relaxed as I walked in and sat next to my best friend.

During the service, we sang three carols and I lost my voice through the second one. We sang: Away in a Manager, O Come all ye Faithful and A Little Town of Bethlehem. After, everyone went into the hall and we had juice and biscuits. My friends and I took more. We were very sneaky! Finally, we left for the coach. I sat next to Grace again and we had a fun time."

Courtney Riches – Year 7

“The Carol service was a daunting task for me. We walked out into the cool winter’s breeze. I stepped carefully along the road, making sure not to tread in any puddles. We made it to the cosy double-decker that we would be taking to Haileybury, our destination.



We arrived and I respectfully climbed out of the warm bus. Then I saw it, Haileybury Chapel, white as the White House and majestic as a unicorn. It was almost like it wasn’t real, like something out of a myth. The cobbled path took us to the Chapel, leading me to my opportunity. We sat down in the wooden pews, then I was handed my order of service, including the piece that I would be reading.

The first carol went in a flash. It was my turn ... I stood up and nervously walked to the lectern. I read aloud! I was so proud. After, I walked humbly back to my pew and sang the rest of the carols and listened to other readings. Immediately after the service, we went to the hall for refreshments before getting the coach back to school. We arrived back in time for lunch and I ate some warming food.”

Adam Beat – Year 7

“When we were getting ready to go to the Haileybury Carol Service, my heart was beating so fast it was almost like it was cheering. Excitedly, we got into lines and started to walk happily. As we all got in the bus, our legs were shaking with excitement.



Eventually, we arrived and saw the amazing buildings, the height of office blocks and a huge dome, the shape of a sphere with wide, stained-glass windows that reflected the bright, beautiful sun into our amazed faces. It was fantastic!

As we moved closer, we could see inside the Chapel. It had phenomenal paintings that towered over us with iridescent patterns that you could see everywhere! I felt amazed looking at this because it was so perfectly decorated.

We sat down after gazing at the Chapel and started to sing our carols. After we sang one of them, we looked behind us to see an impressive organ. It had many different pipes that were as long as a giraffe’s neck: it was huge! Once we had finished our first carol, we all sat down to listen to people read from the Bible. It was interesting as I learnt new things about Jesus and God.

After the readings, we sang two more carols and then the service was over. I was sad to leave as I had seen and learnt many new things. As we drove away, it was almost like the chapel was trying to tell us to come back, but we drove off and went back to school in time for lunch.”

James Hajdu – Year 7

PE Fixtures

Date	Fixture & Result	Result
2/12/19	Year 10 Boys Football District Cup Vs St Mary’s C of E High School	Lost 5 - 2
5/12/19	Year 7 Boys District 6-a-side football tournament	4 th Place
5/12/19	Year 10 Boys National Cup Vs Archbishop Sancroft High School	Won 3 - 0
6/12/19	Year 9 Boys County Cup Vs Samuel Ryder Academy	Lost 3 - 2
11/12/19	Year 7 Girls Football District Cup Vs Chauncy School	Lost 6 - 0



Spotlight on Staff – Mrs Blaskett

Mrs Blaskett has been working as Sixth Form Administrator at Haileybury Turnford for four years. Our Head Boy & Girl, **James Evenden** and **Lauren Wollaston-Smith** took a few minutes out of her busy day to find out a little more about her.

One thing you like about working at HT	Every day is different
One thing you do in your spare time	Watch Spurs play
One thing you have learned in life	To listen to others
One thing you wish you'd known earlier	To pursue a career in Education
One thing you would save if your house were on fire	Bella, my dog
One thing that defines a good teacher	Patience
One thing you would like to experience again	Life without today's entertainment i.e., social media and reality TV
One thing you could not live without	My morning Costa
One thing that defines a good student	Hard working
One thing that you like to watch	Storage Hunters & American Pickers
One thing you are waiting for	To win the lottery
One thing that might surprise people to know about you	My interest and collection of vintage advertising signs
One thing you love about your job	Building relationships with our students
One thing that makes you smile	Going on holiday

And finally - we are saying farewell to Mrs Jones

This week we say farewell to Mrs Debbie Jones, our Food Technology Technician who has worked at Turnford School, and more recently at Haileybury Turnford for the past 19 years. Debbie first joined Turnford School in January 2000 as senior lunchtime supervisor, and then quickly moved to the Food and Textiles Department. She has been a brilliant colleague, and has supported generations of students with very important life skills. Nothing is ever too much for Debbie - she is a very popular member of staff, always keen to support both students and staff alike. Debbie is retiring at the end of term, and we wish her a long and healthy retirement with her family.

**WISHING ALL OUR STUDENTS AND
FAMILIES A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS AND
HAPPY NEW YEAR**



HaileyburyTurnford

AMBITION • PRIDE • SUCCESS

We want to be a vibrant school, developing every aspect of our students.

We will make sure that each student has the opportunity to reach their potential, and can leave us with the qualifications, skills and qualities they need for a successful life.

We will draw on Haileybury's 150 years of outstanding achievement, and combine that with Turnford's strong sense of community, to create an exceptional school.

We believe that excellent teaching, academic success, the best pastoral care and enriching co-curricular opportunities are hallmarks of an excellent school, and will mean our students thrive, flourish and succeed.

Excellent teaching and ambitious learning

- There will be excellent teaching for every student in the school, so they get outstanding exam results.
- Our teachers will give stimulating and challenging lessons, raising aspirations and inspiring our students to learn.

Respectful and well-behaved students and excellent pastoral care

- We will expect our students to:
 - Do everything with pride and ambition
 - Behave well
 - Respect each other and all adults in the school
 - Take responsibility for their actions
- We will expect our parents and carers to support their children and the school.
- In return, we will work closely with them, so all our young people are able to reach their potential.
- We will support the students with the best pastoral care, so they are happy and feel safe at school.
- We want our students to develop the qualities they need to be good members of society when they leave school, contributing to the global, national and local communities they live in.

Enriching co-curricular opportunities

- We will offer our students a diverse and vibrant co-curricular programme to encourage their personal development.
- We will give them opportunities in leadership and teamwork to develop their confidence, resourcefulness and resilience.