



Hanham Matters

Weekly bulletin for Hanham Woods Academy

Week Beginning 12th November 2018

Our Year 11 students finished their Pre-Public Exams (PPE's) this week. They have worked very hard in preparation for these exams and focused really well for the last 2 weeks whilst sitting up to 15 different exams. Their teachers will be marking and analysing these exams and re-teaching groups or individuals key topics. Results will be available in a couple of weeks and given to the students during a PPE Results Day on Tuesday 4th December ahead of Year 11 Parents' Evening on Thursday 6th December.

On Friday 16th November we held a non-uniform day to support and raise money for Children in Need. Students and staff donated £1 to wear non-uniform to the Academy for the day. Some students wore spots or 'Pudsey' Ears but Mr Watson, Head of Maths stole the show with his amazing suit and tie combination!

The group stages of the South Gloucestershire Football competition have reached a climax and Years 7, 8, 9 and 10 have all qualified for the knock-out stages. Well done to all the students involved and a huge "Thank you" to the PE staff who give willingly of their time on a regular basis.

Next Friday we will be running our second Personal Development (PD) day. These PD days are vital to ensure that we develop our students in wider aspects such as spiritually, morally or culturally. Their academic development is still highest priority but engagement with these days is also vitally important. Different Year Groups will be off timetable undertaking the following activities / themes:

Year 7 – Performing and Creative Arts Focus day – students will be exploring the use of make-up to portray different images in film and theatre productions (consent forms for use of make-up are required);

Year 8 – Careers and Options – students will explore option subjects and experience taster sessions ahead of further guidance in selecting which subjects to opt for at GCSE;

Year 9 – Holocaust Education – students will be exploring the sensitive subject of Holocaust Education and themes related to it;

Year 10 – World of Science day – we are working with UWE and Bristol University to provide an interactive Science day to promote curiosity;

Year 11 – RAF Immersion day – the RAF will be delivering a range of sessions to motivate, inspire and develop our Year 11 students.

Finally, I would like to thank all parents/carers who have completed the parent/carer survey we circulated last week. We will close this survey later this week so there is still a chance to contribute to this. The feedback is looking more positive than this time last year and more detailed feedback will be discussed at my upcoming Parents/Carers' Forum on Thursday 29th November.

Many thanks

Mr Kneller
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CALENDAR – Week Beginning 19th November:

DATE	EVENT
Monday 19 th November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Badminton Club (Girls and Boys) 3.15-4.30pm • Hockey (Girls and Boys) 3.15-4.30pm
Tuesday 20 th November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cross-country (Girls and Boys) 3.15-4.30pm • Netball Training (Girls) 3.15-4.30pm • Year 8 Boys Football ESFA cup v Fairlands (Away – Mid Somerset). Leaving 1pm returning approx.5.30pm • Drama - Mary Poppins Rehearsals 3-4.30pm
Wednesday 21 st November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lectures @ Lunch 12.50pm – Mr Singleton “<i>WW1: My family & other soldiers</i>” • Girls Netball fixtures • Boys ESFA Football fixtures • KS3 Table Tennis and KS4 boys and girls badminton competitions at HWA 3.30 – 5.15pm
Thursday 22 nd November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Drama - Mary Poppins Rehearsals 3-4.00pm • Art – GCSE catch up 3-4pm • Year 7 Boys Football ESFA cup v Gordano (Home) KO 2.30pm
Friday 23 rd November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Personal Development (PD) day – alternative student timetables - more details to follow • Drama - Mary Poppins Rehearsals 8-8.30am • GCSE PE & BTEC Sport Targeted Support 3.15-4.30pm

CALENDAR – Week Beginning 26th November:

DATE	EVENT
Monday 26 th November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Badminton Club (Girls and Boys) 3.15-4.30pm • Hockey (Girls and Boys) 3.15-4.30pm
Tuesday 27 th November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cross-country (Girls and Boys) 3.15-4.30pm • Netball Training (Girls) 3.15-4.30pm • Football Training (Boys) 3.15-4.30pm • Drama - Mary Poppins Rehearsals 3-4.30pm
Wednesday 28 th November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lectures @ Lunch 12.50pm – Ms Bourne “<i>Volunteering to work with animals</i>” • Girls Netball fixtures • Boys ESFA Football fixtures
Thursday 29 th November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parents/Carers’ Forum 5.30-7pm • Drama - Mary Poppins Rehearsals 3-4.00pm • Art – GCSE catch up 3-4pm
Friday 30 th November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Student voice lunch 12.40 – 1.20pm • Drama - Mary Poppins Rehearsals 8-8.30am • GCSE PE & BTEC Sport Targeted Support 3.15-4.30pm