



# Hulme Hall Grammar School

## Senior School Newsletter

5th October 2018

Celebrating the individual since 1928

### Miss Smith Goes the Extra Mile!

On Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> October 2018, Miss Smith, Teaching Assistant in our Junior Learning Centre, will be competing in the Manchester Half Marathon. We are delighted to report that she will be raising money for our nominated charity Beechwood.

In the 'run up' to half term, we will be having a 'sprint finish' to boost our charity work for them! The final cheque presentation will take place at our annual Awards Evening in November, so please send into school any outstanding "Loose Change Collection Houses" that may be lurking at the back of a cupboard.....or better still, 'dash' to your computer and support Miss Smith by clicking on her Just Giving Link and making a donation.

[www.justgiving.com/fundraising/tabitha-smith3](http://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/tabitha-smith3)

### Dates for your Diary

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> October 2018  
**Curriculum Enrichment**

**Day 1**  
Years 7-11

Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> October 2018

**Open Morning**  
All pupils should attend

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> October –  
Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> November  
**Half Term**

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> November 2018

**New Pupil Parents' Afternoon**

All Yr 7s and new over-age pupils appointments

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> November 2018

**Presentation Evening**  
Stockport Plaza  
Whole School Event

### Going For Gold

Hulme Hall is proud to report that we are now a Licenced Organisation (LO) and will be running the Duke of Edinburgh's Award for pupils from Year 9 upwards. Starting this year with the Bronze Award, we are hopeful that the scheme will grow in strength and allow us to offer the Silver Award and ultimately encourage our young people to 'Go for Gold' at 16+!

Mr Ryan, our new Biology teacher and HHGS Duke of Edinburgh's Award Manager, has been blown away by the interest and enthusiasm shown at Tuesdays DofE Information Evening. Over 30 pupils across Years 9 and 10 have signed up and are eager to begin working towards their Skill, Volunteer and Physical Sections. We are very lucky to have secured the support of Matt Woodcock at NW DofE and Richard McEvoy from NACRO who will be leading us through our first Expeditions. We can't wait – let the adventures begin!

For further details please contact Mr Ryan at [j.ryan@hhgsvle.org](mailto:j.ryan@hhgsvle.org)



### Parent Power

This week saw the first PTA meeting of the year with new Chair, Amanda Hufton. The PTA are fantastic at providing those 'extras' that make a difference to your child's education and plans are being put in place to run a number of fun fundraising events.

Thank you to all the staff and parents that attended and we hope to see a few more faces at our next meeting.

To find out more about our forthcoming PTA events please visit the School Website and complete the Contact Form.



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## William Packs A Punch

At Hulme Hall we are always excited to hear about the many diverse activities and achievements earned by our students outside of school. We recently reported Year 11 pupil, Drew Bickerton's call up to the England Lacrosse Talent Pathway and this week it is the turn of Amateur Boxer William Connolly-Rogers in Year 10.

William competed in his first amateur boxing skills bout at Lancashire Cricket Club's The Point venue in front of 600 spectators and an official judging panel. This follows 2 years of training three times a week and a massive personal commitment from William to maintain a healthy diet and a personal fitness programme. His dedication and resilience will no doubt pay off in the future and in the meantime, all his progress, improved skills and competition log will count towards his GCSE PE scores. Well done William!

If your son/daughter has a talent or achievement to share and celebrate, then please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Smith or Mr Bradford  
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## Sporting Success for Students

Since the start of term our PE Department and Sports Teams have been busy competing and honing their skills against a number of other ISA schools including Beech Hall, Bridgewater, Beech House and Cransley.

Whilst our football and netball teams are increasing in confidence and working on improving skills, tactics and teamwork, the basketball teams this week have shot their way to success! The U14 boys slam dunked their way to a 14-0 win over Cransley, whilst the U16 boys secured a 10-2 victory. Miss Lucas and Mr Anderson are rightly proud of their teams' success but can't help but single out two fab performances from Year 8 player George Barratt and Year 10 player Bailey Latham. Well done to all our players!