



Hulme Hall Grammar School

Senior School Newsletter

19th October 2018

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Happy Holidays

The last 7 weeks have flown by and we are all ready for a well deserved break! Regular newsletter readers will recognise that it has been a very busy term. We are particularly proud of our new Year 7 pupils who have coped extremely well with their transition to Key Stage 3.

In our weekly assemblies, we are constantly praising our pupils for extending a warm and caring welcome to the record number of 'over-age' pupils who have joined us in Years 8-10 since September.

Whilst it has been 'business as usual' we also managed to get through an inspection and will be happy to share the report with you when it is released for publishing. In the meantime, we wish you all a relaxing half term and look forward to welcoming everyone back on Monday 5th November.



Festive Fun

The PTA plays an important role in school. Their fundraising activities provide resources and opportunities for our pupils such as new Hockey Goals and Football Post Weights for the new All-Weather. This means we can play more sporting fixtures against other ISA Schools and that the £2,456 spent on these items will benefit all pupils throughout the school.

Earlier in the term, they also bought train tickets for the JLC trip to Cadbury World.

Our next PTA Meeting will be after the half term break on Tuesday 6th November. In order to encourage a greater turn out, we will be hosting the meeting directly before the end of the school day at 2.45pm across the road at Stockport Cricket and Lacrosse Club.

There is only one Agenda item and that is the School Christmas Fair. If you would like to join us for coffee and cakes and offer your ideas or support for our next event, then we would be delighted to see you there!



Amazing Ambassadors

Our Open Morning proved to be very popular last Saturday. It was great to showcase our school to current and prospective families and gave them the opportunity to 'get a feel' for who we are.

Everyone was excited to see our outdoor developments – especially our fantastic Pre-School Outdoor Classroom and newly laid All-Weather Sports Surface.

A big thank you goes to all members of our Hulme Hall community for ensuring that the event was a success. It was a real team effort with our new Headmaster, Governors, Staff, PTA, Kitchen and Maintenance all working hard to make our visitors feel welcome.

As always our pupils were the stars of the morning! They were tremendous ambassadors for the school showing great confidence and assurance in their dealings with parents.

Well done and thank you for giving up your Saturday morning!



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.....or Careers Education Information Advice and Guidance, is an important and integral part of our CPSHE Curriculum.

Last Term our current Year 11 students attended Transition Taster Days at Aquinas College and Cheadle College. This term they have continued to make 16+ future plans. Families have been attending Open Mornings and College Events and to support them with their choices, HHGS has organised and welcomed visiting speakers from Xaverian College, Cheadle & Marple College and The Manchester College.

This week our Year 11s had a 'Mock Interview' with a member of The Manchester College's Student Liaison Team to help them prepare for 'the real thing!' The college advisors were impressed with our students' preparedness, maturity, confidence and thoughtful planning. Next on the list of 'things to do' is maximising college applications and preparing CVs and Personal Statements.



Dates for your Diary

Mon 22nd October –

Fri 2nd November

Half Term

Tue 6th November 2018

PTA Meeting

2:45pm

Stockport Cricket &
Lacrosse Club

Wed 7th November

New Pupil Parents'
Afternoon/ Yr 7 PPRs
Issued

All Yr 7s and new over-age
pupils appointments

Friday 9th November

Yr 8,9,10 & 11 PPRs Issued

Wednesday 14th November
Presentation Evening

Stockport Plaza
Whole School Event

Monday 26th November

Mock Exams Commence
Year 11 only

A fond
farewell
to Mrs
Carson
who



leaves us after 16 years at
Hulme Hall. We wish her all
the best for the future.

Exam Stress....or Exam Success?!

Whilst the rest of you are having a lie in.....sunning yourself.....welded to your mobile phone..... or being let loose on your X Box this holiday, just spare a thought for our Year 11s who will be spending a good chunk (we hope!) of their half term preparing for their Year 11 Mock Exams.

Exam Week for them commences not long after our return - on Monday 26th November 2018. The good news is that the Mocks will be over before Christmas and if pupils prepare well and perform to the best of their ability, they can bask in their success over the festive period. The comforting news is that if all does not go to plan and results are below expectations then it is not too late to do plenty about it!

There is no doubt that the new style GCSEs are more rigorous and demanding, so having a 'practice' exam in each subject is more important than ever. On this note, we will leave you to think about a famous quote which sums up our advice to you all – **"With Hard Work and Effort, You Can Achieve Anything!"**

Supporting Our Local Community

Our local church, St George's, is hosting a Moonlight Craft Fair on Friday 9th November between 3pm and 9pm. Please do go along and support our local community. There will be over 50 stalls with a huge variety of crafts and art so you can get a head start on your Christmas shopping!