



# Hulme Hall Grammar School

## Senior School Newsletter

9th November 2018

Celebrating the individual since 1928

### Presentation Evening 2018

#### Tickets

By now we are hoping that you have all ordered your tickets for this year's Presentation Evening at the Stockport Plaza on Wednesday. **Please don't leave it too late as entrance is by ticket only.** Letters have been emailed out and hard copies sent home with your children. However, if you need to download a copy please click on the link on the School website – go to the Parents tab/Letters.

Please be aware that there are two different types of tickets. One has been issued to our Class of 2018, Governors and Guests, who are invited to a fizz and nibbles reception upstairs in the Art Deco Café from 6pm onwards.

All other parents and guests from JLC to current Year 11 have a general invitation ticket. You may take your seats in the stalls on arrival or adults may choose to purchase pre-drinks in the downstairs bar from 6pm onwards.

#### Uniform

Please ensure that your sons' and daughters' uniform/appearance is pristine – it is definitely a night for shiny shoes! No jumpers; girls wear opaque tights; hair tied back; etc.

**NO mobile phones or bottles to be in blazer pockets.**

#### Planning your Journey and Arrival at the Plaza

- Please plan your journey and give yourself plenty of time to take into account traffic, parking and walking from the car parks. Parking information is available on the Plaza website.
- All pupils and parents are asked to be in their seats in the auditorium for 6:45pm for a 7pm prompt start. All our meticulous planning and rehearsals will be spoilt if pupils arrive late.
- No food or drink is allowed in the auditorium. Plaza Front of House Staff will direct you if you are unsure.
- Please alert the staff if you require wheelchair/access arrangements.
- To comply with current Health & Safety guidelines, please be aware that all bags are subject to inspection on arrival.

#### End of the Evening

Please do not leave before the end of the evening – we hope to finish no later than 9pm—but will know better after Wednesday's rehearsal!

Inform your son/daughter of their transport arrangements home and a meeting point at the end, as the foyer will be busy.

We are really looking forward to our annual celebration and hope you all have a great evening!



#### Mobile Phones

Please remember to turn off Mobile Phones for the duration of the evening.



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### Testing Times

The Year 11s had the opportunity to gain an additional qualification in Mathematics this week to enhance their GCSE studies. They sat an AQA Certificate in Functional Skills Mathematics Level 1/Level 2.

The exam aims to promote mathematical thinking and transferable skills that are useful in everyday situations and the world of work. In studying for this qualification it is hoped that students will also enhance their performance at GCSE Mathematics through the acquisition and sharpening of problem solving skills.

Thanks to the Mathematics staff for promoting this additional qualification and learning opportunity. We hope to share the results with you in the coming weeks.

### Impressive Inspection

You will all have had an email this week to let you know that the ISI Regulatory Compliance Inspection Report is now available for parents to view. We are delighted to have passed and met all the regulatory requirements! The report is live on our School website under the About Us/ Inspection.

### Lest We Forget

It was great to have everyone in the hall on Monday morning returning to school smart and smiling after a well-deserved half term break! Our assembly was on Remembrance Day and Mr Bradford shared some thoughts and images from the fantastic British Legion website.

Their message is this: ***“In this exceptional centenary year, we’re leading a national movement to say ‘Thank You’ to all who served, sacrificed and changed our world during the First World War.”*** As always, we have gone the extra mile to educate our pupils regarding the importance of remembering.

In PE pupils even built ‘trenches’ and enacted the Christmas Truce, with its famous football match. A moment from the Great War that almost everyone knows about and which demonstrated that underneath the carnage, a flicker of humanity still glowed. To support the work carried out by the British Legion, we have once again been selling products to fundraise for the Poppy Appeal.



### Dates for your Diary

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> November  
**Presentation Evening**  
Stockport Plaza  
Whole School Event

Monday 26<sup>th</sup> November  
**Mock Exams Commence**  
Year 11 only

Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> December  
**Christmas Carols Cale**  
**Green Park**  
Choir Performance

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> December  
**PTA Christmas Fair /**  
**Christmas Celebration**  
Whole School Event

### Save the Date!

Thanks to the staff and parents who took the time this week to support the PTA meeting. The PTA Christmas Fair was the main point on the Agenda and will be held on the same evening as the Christmas Celebration on Wednesday 12th December so please “Save the Date!”

If any parent has a business that would like to donate a raffle prize or you have a contact that can donate gift tokens, etc please contact our PTA Chair Amanda Hufton either via the School Office or via the PTA contact form which is on the school website.