



HOE VALLEY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Student Spotlight

Success in the Anthea Bell Prize for Young Translators

We are delighted to celebrate the success of our students in this year's Anthea Bell Prize for Young Translators. With over 25,000 students participating nationwide and more than 5,400 entries judged, the competition was highly competitive, with organisers praising the exceptional standard of entries.

A special congratulations goes to Alice M, who was named the South East Area Winner for Italian Level 2 translating a poem from Italian to English – an exceptional achievement of outstanding linguistic skills and dedication.

We are also proud to recognise the following students who received Official Commendations for their translation work:

Yuvan T, Akili Y, Hamza N, Alex M, Leo S and Mohammad S.

Congratulations to all of our students on this fantastic achievement and for representing the school so successfully on a national stage.



Welcome to Our June Newsletter

As we approach the end of another successful academic year, June has been filled with achievement, creativity, and celebration across our school community. From competing in the prestigious UKMT Junior Kangaroo competition and receiving commendations in the Anthea Bell Prize for Young Translators, to collaborating with a partner school in China and exploring Korean history and traditional art through Korean Club, our students have continued to embrace a wide range of exciting opportunities. We were also incredibly proud that Mrs Boniface was invited to the German Embassy to celebrate the teaching and learning of German in the UK at the Sommerfest der deutschen Sprache.

This month also brought the exciting announcement of our

2026 school production of High School Musical, while our Year 11 Prom provided a wonderful opportunity to celebrate the end of GCSE examinations and recognise an important milestone in our students' school journey. It was a memorable evening and a fitting celebration of all that our Year 11 students have achieved during their time at Hoe Valley School.

As we look ahead to the final weeks of term, there is still much to celebrate. Sports Day, end-of-year activities, enrichment opportunities, and transition events continue to showcase the enthusiasm, talent, and resilience of our students. Thank you to our staff, students, parents, and carers for your continued support throughout the year. We hope you enjoy reading about the many achievements, experiences, and successes featured in this month's newsletter.



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UPCOMING EVENTS

- * **Year 9 Battlefields Trip**
1 – 3 July 2026
 - * **Sports Day**
02 July 2026
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- * **Inset Day**
03 July 2026
 - * **Year 10 Work Experience**
06 – 10 July 2026
 - * **Museum of The Mind – Y12**
07 July 2026
 - * **HVS Awards Evening**
08 July 2026
 - * **Reward Trip – YR12**
09 July, 2026
 - * **Science Museum Trip – Y 12
BTech**
10 July 2026
 - * **Reward Trip – YR8**
13 July 2026
 - * **Year 8 & 9 Vaccinations**
14 July 2026
 - * **Reward Trip – YR9**
15 July 2026
 - * **End of Summer Term**
17 July 2026

Year Group News

* Year 7 Update

Congratulations to Year 7 for their excellent efforts during their end-of-year assessments. Students are now looking forward to a number of exciting events, including the Chessington Rewards Trip and Sports Day, where competition is already building during PE lessons. Good luck to everyone who has applied to become a House Captain, it's a fantastic opportunity to develop leadership skills. We have also been impressed by students presenting during assemblies on topics such as the FIFA Club World Cup, food waste and World Ocean Day. Their confidence, resilience and informative presentations have been a credit to the year group.

* Year 8 Update

As we near the end of another successful academic year, Year 8 students have been working hard to complete their end-of-year examinations. I have been impressed by the maturity and dedication they have shown throughout the assessment period, and thank parents and carers for their continued support. It has also been fantastic to see tutor groups begin delivering assemblies to the year group. A special congratulations to 8N on their excellent assembly, with particular praise to Emily W, Hugo N, Seba P and Thomas L for their confident presentations. We look forward to more assemblies in the weeks ahead.





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* Year 9 Update

Year 9s get to have their first taste of mock GCSE examinations in Founders Hall this month and it has been great to see pupils getting extra revision lessons and organising groups after school. Art students have also been collaborating with a Chinese school via an online event. Some of the history students are also off to the Battlefields of WW1. Finally I would like to welcome Mr Cummins to 9M as he takes over from Mr Mckee who has departed.



* Year 10 Update

Year 10 mock examinations are now underway, and I have been impressed by the positive attitude and effort shown by students. These assessments are an important step in preparing for Year 11.

With work experience just around the corner, students should ensure their placements are finalised as soon as possible. If any support is needed, please speak to me or Ms Reeves.

We are also looking forward to the Year 10 Rewards Trip to Thorpe Park, a well-deserved celebration of students' hard work throughout the year. Thank you to all parents and carers for your continued support during this busy and important time.



* Year 11 Update

Year 11 marked the end of their time at Hoe Valley School with a memorable Leavers' Assembly on 22nd May, celebrating their achievements, friendships and experiences over the past five years. Since then, students have completed their final GCSE examinations and enjoyed a fantastic Prom at Pyrford Lakes Golf Club on 19th June. We are incredibly proud of the maturity, resilience and determination they have shown throughout the exam season and wish them every success for the future. We look forward to celebrating their achievements when they receive their GCSE results this summer. Good luck, Year 11!





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READ ALL ABOUT IT!

— SUBJECT HIGHLIGHTS

Languages

Mrs Boniface was deeply honoured to have been invited to the German Embassy to celebrate the teaching and learning of German in the UK, as the Embassy held the Sommerfest der deutschen Sprache.

German Ambassador Susanne Baumann said: "We know about the extraordinary work teachers and advocates of German do day in and day out. Their dedication opens doors and inspires. "Danke" to all those who do this work to open doors to new cultures, friendships and opportunities!"

Keynote speaker was former England, Nottingham Forest, Arsenal and 1. FC Köln striker Tony Woodcock.



Languages

Our HVS Anthea Bell Prize Winners

Congratulations to Alice M (Yr 8), who was named the South East Area Winner for Italian Level 2 translator from Italian to English.

Here are the other participants:

Yuvan T (Yr 7) – German to English

Akili Y (Yr 8) – Mandarin to English

Hamza N (Yr 8) – French to English

Alex M (Yr 11) – Russian to English

Leo S & Mohammad S (Yr 11) – Spanish to English

Huge congratulations to you all, what a fantastic achievement!

QTE Anthea Bell Prize
for Young Translators

MATHS

We would like to congratulate our three brilliant Year 8 students Akili Y, Naia C, Thomas L, who represented Hoe Valley School in the UKMT Junior Kangaroo competition on Tuesday 9th June. This is a prestigious national competition that challenges students to apply their mathematical reasoning and problem-solving skills to unfamiliar and demanding questions. We are incredibly proud of their achievement in qualifying for and participating in this event, and we wish them the very best with their results.

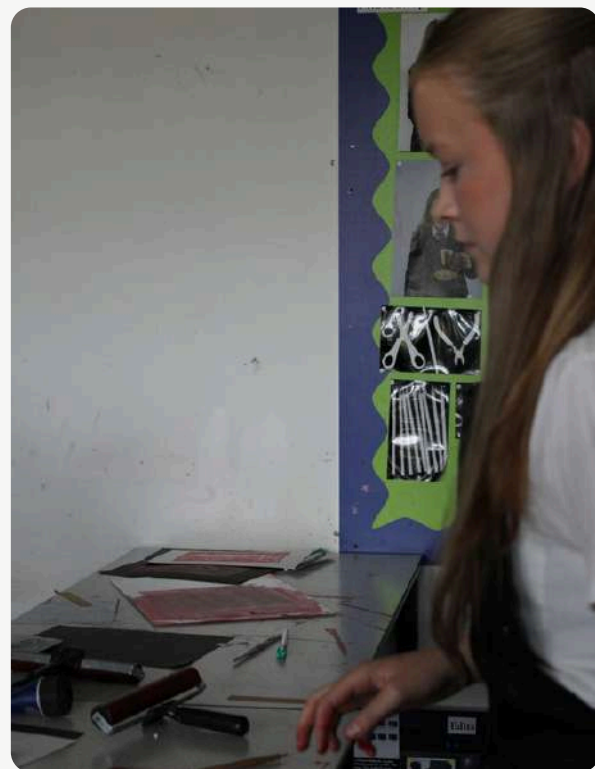


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workshop with a partner school in China

Yr 9 Art and Photography students recently participated in an exciting online workshop with a partner school in China. During the session, they explored the traditions and symbolism of Chinese New Year and took part in a printmaking activity inspired by these cultural themes. Using symbols such as dragons, carp and other lucky symbols, the students created a collection of vibrant and imaginative prints. The workshop provided a wonderful opportunity for cultural exchange, creativity, and collaboration, and the students were really proud to produce such beautiful pieces of art whilst working with international peers.





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Theatre in Education

As part of their Theatre in Education (TIE) project, students have been developing and refining an engaging performance throughout their lessons, focusing on delivering an important and relevant message to a young audience. The culmination of their work involved presenting their performance to a visiting local primary school, with Year 5 pupils serving as the target audience. Through the effective use of vocal and physical performance skills, students brought characters and scenarios to life, exploring the themes of social media safety and the dangers of communicating with strangers online. Their performance was carefully crafted to communicate a clear moral message, encouraging younger pupils to think critically about their online interactions and make safe, responsible choices in the digital world. The project provided students with a valuable opportunity to combine creativity, communication, and social awareness while demonstrating confidence and professionalism in a real educational setting.





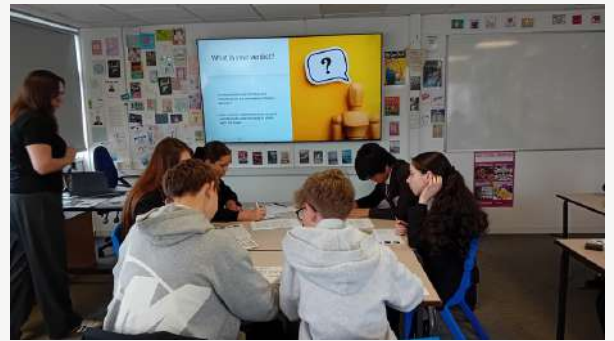
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Woking College Cultural Challenge

Our Year 10 students recently took part in the Cultural Challenge at Woking College, where they enjoyed a series of engaging workshops designed to broaden their global awareness and cultural understanding. Students explored German, French, Spanish and Chinese language and culture, as well as the history of the USA, through interactive activities led by subject specialists.

The day provided a fantastic opportunity for students to experience learning beyond the classroom, deepen their appreciation of different cultures and histories, and develop the curiosity and confidence that are at the heart of language learning. It was an enriching and inspiring experience, and our students represented the school brilliantly with their enthusiasm, excellent behaviour and willingness to embrace new challenges.





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Year 11 Prom 2026 – Pyrford Lake





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Year 11 Prom 2026 – Pyrford Lake

On Thursday 19th June, our Year 11 students celebrated the end of their GCSE journey at their Prom, held at Pyrford Lakes Golf Club. It was a wonderful evening filled with laughter, dancing and the chance to celebrate together after months of hard work and dedication.

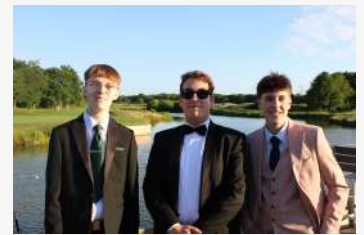
Students looked fantastic as they arrived in style and enjoyed an evening of celebration with friends and staff, creating memories that will last a lifetime.

We are incredibly proud of everything our Year 11 cohort has achieved and wish them every success as they begin the next chapter of their journey. Congratulations, Year 11!



A message from the Head Teacher

As we head into the final few weeks of term, I'd like to thank all our students for their hard work and commitment throughout the year. A special congratulations to our Year 11 students as they complete their exams, we are incredibly proud of everything they have achieved and wish them every success for the future.



Inspire the Next Generation – Get Involved

Hoe Valley School has now been hosting a Careers Fair since 2024. It helps deliver inspiring encounters with higher and further education, apprenticeships and employees and employers. This all helps reinforce our aim as a school to raise aspirations, unlock potential and broaden students horizons regarding all the different options open to them in the future.

We are always looking for new and varied ranges of employers to participate in this activity. If as a parent you are interested in attending the next Careers Fair as an exhibitor, I would be delighted to speak to you. Please can you contact Sandra Cox at careers@hoevalleyschool.org.



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Pre-Loved School Uniform

We have a selection of pre-loved uniform items available to purchase. Please see the price list below and contact for availability. Uniform@hoevalleyschool.org

Blazer - £10.00	Sports Polo - £4.00
Sports Bag - £7.00	Shirt - £3.00
¼ Zip Fleece - £5.00	Tie - £2.00
Skirt - £5.00	Jumper - £4.00
Trousers - £5.00	Shorts - £4.00

Vacancies

Join our team and help shape bright futures; click here for vacancies



Useful Links



School Calendar

<https://www.hoevalleyschool.org/calendar/?calid=4&pid=7&viewid=5>

School Website

<https://www.hoevalleyschool.org/>

Online Forms

<https://www.hoevalleyschool.org/parents-and-carers/forms-and-useful-links>



House Points Leaderboard



STEPHEN HAWKING - 22,003



ADA LOVELACE - 21,447



WRIGHT BROTHERS - 20,101



NELSON MANDELA - 20,492



FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE - 19,228

Club & Activity Corner

Get Involved!

- [Click here for the Hoe Valley School - Summer Enrichment Timetable](#)