



# HOE VALLEY SCHOOL

Newsletter

Friday 10th June 2022

Students and staff have returned refreshed and revitalised after the half term break, and Year 11 students came back in ready to sit their GCSE exams which continue until 23rd June. There is so much to pack into this final half term of the school year and so much to look forward to!

We held a dedicated launch assembly to our Year 10 students on Tuesday giving them more detail about our planned Sixth Form. Mrs Davies, Mr Woolley and Mr Inglis were able to share with them the vision as well as more details about what the planned provision will be able to offer them. We were delighted with the really positive, enthusiastic response from the students with many already asking us when they can complete their applications! In order to give our own students as much information as we can about the new Sixth Form, we have planned an internal Sixth Form Taster Day on 11th July and will also be welcoming Year 10 families in to school for an Open Event that evening from 6pm—8pm. As well as giving our students more information about course content we will also be able to share the plans with parents in the evening.

Year 9 and 10 RE students have been fortunate enough this week to take part in some local visits. On Tuesday Mr Lyons and his Year 9 & 10 students visited the United Reformed Church and the Shah Jahan Mosque to learn about how faith groups work to support their local communities. As part of their GCSE course, students conduct an in-depth study of Christianity and Islam which involves learning about different worship styles, attitudes to life after death, views on animal rights and the environment and a range of other thought-provoking topics, so these visits were really vital to their learning. Today, Year 10 RE students are visiting Brookwood Military Cemetery and we look forward to learning how that visit has enhanced their learning when they return later.

Huge congratulations to Y9 Latin student Amelie B who recently entered a creative writing competition run by the Classics Faculty at the University of Oxford - yesterday we heard the terrific news that she had won 3rd Prize in her age category. Well done to each of our Latin students who entered the competitions across 3 categories.

We would remind all parents about our policies regarding absence from school and the enforcement of fixed penalty notices in place by the local authority for unauthorised absences of 5 days or more. Our Attendance and Punctuality Policy can be found on our website [here](#). Please do bear this information in mind when booking holidays during term time as they are unable to be authorised and may result in fines being issued by the Local Authority.

Our PTA have shared an update with us regarding plans for another Quiz Night in October, a Christmas Market in late November and more information about the Wellbeing Garden plans. All of this information and more is published on the PTA page on our website [here](#). They have asked us to issue a special plea for donations of pre-loved uniform that has been outgrown, particularly from our soon-to-be departing Year 11 students. You can drop any uniform donations off at Reception marked for their attention.

A reminder about the free 3 week course being run by Family Learning starting on 29th June that we highlighted to you all before half term. We have again included the flyer on Page 3 of this newsletter and would encourage anyone interested to sign up as soon as possible. This course has been specifically designed for Hoe Valley School and our parents, and is planned to run for us exclusively subject to enough parents signing up so please do take up the excellent opportunity if you are able to.

With best wishes for a pleasant weekend,  
Mrs Davies



## Dates for your Diary

### Summer Term 2022

13/06/22 -	17/06/22 Year 7 & 8 Exams
18/06/22 -	19/06/22 Bronze D of E Assessment Weekend
20/06/22 -	01/07/22 Year 9 & 10 Exams
24/06/22	Year 11 Prom 7pm
28/06/22	Year 6 Induction Day
04/07/22	INSET Day (Staff Only)
08/07/22	Sports Day
19/07/22	End of Term - 1.00pm
25/08/22	GCSE Results Day

### Autumn Term 2022

01/09/22 -	02/09/22 Staff INSET Days
05/09/22	Start of Term - Year 7 Only
06/09/22	Start of Term - All Years
24/10/22 -	28/10/22 Half Term
16/11/22	Year 10 Parents' Evening
09/12/22	End of Term. 1.00pm



Some of our RE students on a visit to the Shah Jahan Mosque in Woking on Tuesday, our beautiful handmade jubilee bunting proudly displayed at Kingsleigh Care Home as part of their celebrations and Year 9 Drama students portraying family scenes of Calm and Chaos.



# SPORTS NEWS

On Friday 27th May, as school broke for Half Term, the PE faculty staff took 13 students to watch Surrey vs Glamorgan in the T20 blast. The match saw lots of boundaries and the students thoroughly enjoyed the experience! The game was a thriller and went down to the penultimate ball before Surrey clinched the win!

Our Year 7 and 8 Rounders teams took part in the District Rounders competition on Wednesday and Thursday at Sir William Perkins's School. Both teams displayed excellent team spirit and really enjoyed the opportunity to play difference schools in a tournament setting. The Year 8s won their first game against Kings in the first round, displaying fantastic at fielding, getting the opposition players out and most importantly scoring rounders. In the second round, it was a very difficult game against SWPS, and a very close game against Winston. Unfortunately, the Year 8s lost both of these games and therefore did not make it to the final round. The player of the game was Chloe G for her fantastic fielding on second base. Unfortunately, the Year 7s, despite strong play, were unable to beat the two teams in their round and so were not able to make it to the final. The player of the match was Rayana PB for her excellent fielding.

Good luck next week to all of our athletes representing HVS us in the District Key Stage 3 Athletics Championships!



Our Year 8 Rounders Team ready for their tournament on Wednesday, and our students enjoying the T20 Cricket

# HOUSES LEADERBOARD



Wright Brothers

11746



Ada Lovelace

14026



Nightingale

14278



Hawking

14175



Mandela

12431

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**Supporting your teenager**  
**3 week Course in Woking town centre**



**FREE course for parents and carers, who want to better understand and support their teenager**

**Increase your understanding of teenager development and changes that may occur.**

**You will cover a range of topics which may include:**

- **Understanding teenage behaviours and how their brain develops**
- **Strategies to help support with anger, anxiety and impulsive behaviour**

<b>When?</b>	3 weeks, on Wednesdays : 29 <sup>th</sup> June, 5 <sup>th</sup> and 12 <sup>th</sup> July 10.00 am- 12. 00 pm
<b>Where?</b>	First Floor (Local Tutor) Cleary Court, Church Street East, Woking GU21 6HJ
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