



HOE VALLEY SCHOOL

Newsletter

Friday 1st October 2021

Why celebrate just on a single day when you can have a whole week of activities? Our Languages Faculty have pulled out all the stops this week to mark European Languages Day which fell on Tuesday. Along with linguistically fun activities in lessons, cultural breakfasts and an International menu at lunchtime, it has been a fabulous showcase of the cultural diversity of our HVS school community, culminating in Ms Lopes' International Bake Off and Cake sale!

Aptly timed, we also welcomed our new Foreign Language Assistants to our school this week. Miss Osuna Garcia (Spanish speaker), Miss Engelmeier (German speaker) and Miss Vierin (French) have joined us for the academic school year to support our students in Languages lessons as well as gaining experience themselves of life in England.

On Wednesday, the school nurse team returned and completed the vaccination of all of the students with consent to receive the Covid-19 jab. They complimented our students on the mature way in which they approached the vaccinations, and were also pleased to see a strong uptake of this vaccination offer from many of our parents. There is currently no plan for the team to return to HVS to offer any further Covid-19 vaccinations, so if you do now wish to have your child vaccinated please contact your GP for advice.

We were visited by staff from Woking College this week who gave a presentation to Year 11 on the courses and opportunities available with them for study post-16. This is the first in a series of visits from local sixth form providers to help inform the choices of our students regarding the next stage of their education after Hoe Valley School. Over the coming weeks, the students will also receive presentations from other nearby sixth form providers.

We are delighted to let you know that today we have launched our newly designed website - we hope you will have time to take a look over the weekend and that you will find some of the new features helpful. Added to the new website today are the latest Curriculum Booklets for all year groups. These important documents will highlight to you what your children will be studying in each of their subjects over the course of this academic year. You can access the Curriculum Booklets on our website [here](#).

As you will have noticed from our previous newsletters this term, we are welcoming prospective new students and their families in to school for our Open Evening on Monday. We are so excited to finally get the chance to have our doors throughout the school wide open to welcome visitors and to once again be able to share in person what makes our school and its community so special. The evening includes lots of our students and all of our staff, and due to the late finish, we will be delaying the start of school on Tuesday until 11.am, ready for the start of lesson 3 at 11.10. Additionally, we will not be running Enrichment Clubs on Monday after school as we prepare for the event. Thank you in advance for your support and understanding.

The Communities Officer from Active Surrey has shared with us information about their Friday night Project which is running at Woking Leisure Centre offering a range of activities for local teenagers. You will find full details of this programme on Page 3 of this newsletter.

Best wishes for a restful weekend.
Mrs Davies



Dates for your Diary

Autumn Term 2021

04/10/21	Open Evening for Prospective Students and Families 6pm - 8pm
05/10/21	11.00am start for students
25/10/21 - 01/11/21	Half Term
02/11/21	(Tues) School Re-opens
17/11/21	Year 10 Parents' Evening
30/11/21	School Production 7pm
01/12/21	School Production 7pm
02/12/21	School Production 7pm
10/12/21	End of Term - 1.00pm

Spring Term 2021

04/01/22	Start of Term
11/02/22	INSET Day
14/02/22 - 18/02/22	Half Term
01/04/22	End of Term - 1.00pm



Marking European Languages Week with an International Bakeoff and Cake Sale, peer teaching about German historic sites by Year 7 students and welcoming our new Foreign Language Assistants



SPORTS NEWS

This half term students have been working on the value of PE, understanding the important part it can play in their life now and in the future. 'Resilience', 'Self Worth' and 'Inter-Personal Skills' provide students with knowledge and tools to prepare them for life through PE. Our approach for Year 7 and 8 this year is a concept-driven one with the curriculum moving away from subject-specific content and instead emphasising "big ideas" that span multiple subject areas. This week Year 7 have been focusing on balance & control and resilience within Hockey.

Our Year 9 Boys football team played their first game in the English School's National Cup on Thursday, away at Oxted School. Our boys started well, taking an early lead after a cool finish from Finn V. The dominance continued as the boys blocked every attack and built their own which resulted in Charlie H having some very fast feet to evade several defenders before placing the ball home to put HVS in a 2-0 lead. The weather deteriorated and rain set in making the surface very slippery. Oxted, knowing their home playing surface better, managed to grab a goal back before half time to make it 2-1. The rain continued and making high level game play difficult. Oxted started to control the game and score three without reply to take them 4-2 in the lead. Seve M who came on in the second half had some quick thinking to clip the ball over the keeper and head home into an empty net. Unfortunately our HVS boys just couldn't grab the equaliser despite some last minute pressure. Whilst we were all disappointed for them, we are proud of the resilience and team spirit they demonstrated in tough conditions, and everyone agreed that it was great to get back to these sorts of fixtures!



Year 9 Football Team from the English Schools Cup match this week and Year 7 students working on balance and control in PE

HVS HOUSE LEADERBOARD



Wright Brothers

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Ada Lovelace

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Nightingale

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Hawking

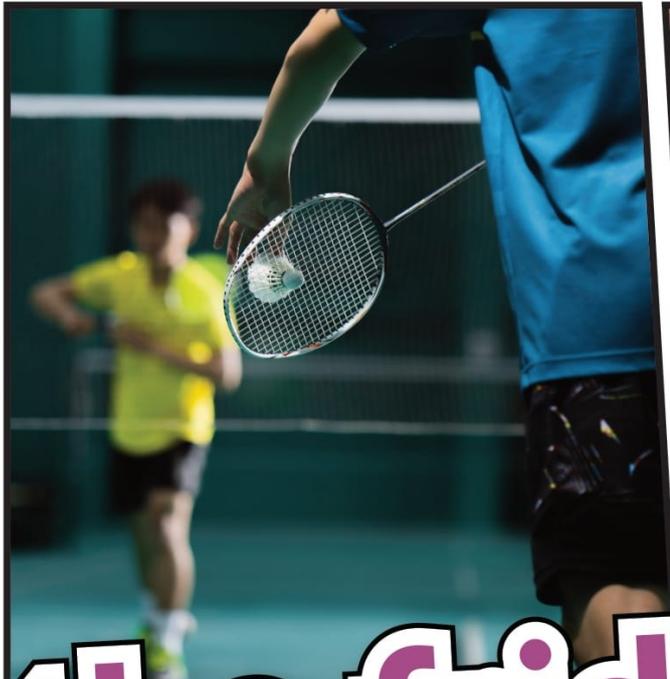
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the friday night project

multi-activity evening
for 11-18 year olds

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badminton, futsal, table tennis
& more

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(during term time)

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