



# HOE VALLEY SCHOOL

## Newsletter

Friday 6th May 2022

Thank you to everyone who joined in with the PTA Curry and Quiz night last Friday - the evening was a great success and the curries made by our school kitchen team were absolutely delicious! The eventual inners were the 'Klassy Kolonials' who came from nowhere to win, after a close run thing between the teachers table (Quiz Team Aguilera) and the student table (Polo's Disciples). Please keep an eye on our newsletter and website for news of forthcoming PTA events.

With only 1 full week remaining until the start of the main GCSE exam series, our Year 11 students are really taking up the opportunities available to them in school for final consolidation work. We know that the run up to exam periods can cause stress and worry amongst some students, and we were pleased to get Year 11 together on Thursday, not for the usual assembly they were expecting, but to share a relaxing light breakfast together and take some time to chat and focus on their own wellbeing. Whilst only a small act, we know from the buzz in the room that the students really enjoyed this little bit of unexpected time out!

Best of luck to our Duke of Edinburgh's Bronze Award students who are heading out into the Surrey Hills tomorrow for their expedition training weekend, ahead of their assessment in June. The weather forecast is looking great so we hope that they will all be packing the sunscreen and a hat rather than their wet weather gear!

Next week is Mental Health Awareness Week, and as part of this focus, Surrey County Council have shared with us a great online platform, Mindworks Surrey, which is their Children and Young People's Emotional Wellbeing and Mental Health Service. The website has areas aimed directly at young people as well as separate areas for parents and carers and the support available ranges from useful links and resources right through to information linking through to a 24/7 free mental health crisis line. The resources cover a wide range of issues as well as signposting users to other helpful organisations and apps. You can access the Mindworks Surrey website by clicking [here](#).

Our local policing team have shared with us details of a community football event that they are hosting at the Sportsbox next Sunday - you will find their flyer on page 3 of this newsletter.

A reminder about our consultation that we launched last week regarding our planned building expansion - if you have not yet had the opportunity to register your response, you can read the consultation details and respond to it on our website [here](#). We are grateful for your support.

With best wishes for a relaxing weekend,  
Mrs Davies



## Dates for your Diary

### Summer Term 2022

09/05/22	Year 9 Vaccinations
27/05/22	Break up for Half Term 4.00pm
30/05/22 -	03/06/22 Half Term
06/05/22	Return to School
18/06/22 -	19/06/22 Bronze D of E Assessment Weekend
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



Year 9 History students learning first hand about Thomas splints, the 'Klassy Kolonials' winning team at the PTA Quiz Night and some of our Year 11 students enjoying a wellbeing breakfast together.



## SPORTS NEWS

On Wednesday, 42 of our students took part in trials for the district athletics squad out on the track. As well as being great experience for the athletics season ahead of us, there were some fantastic personal bests, and a good number of students being placed. Particular mention to Y9 students Jess, Seve, Cyrus and Seb who all came 1st in their respective events.

Our next athletics event comes quickly off the back of these trials when our squad compete in the ESAA Track and Field Cup on Monday, an all day event attended by over 20 schools. We wish our squad of 52 athletes all the best and hope to see some more PBs throughout the day.

Attendance at our after school clubs is really starting to give results and the strength and conditioning work done out of season in our Athletics Performance club is paying dividends as we are seeing. There are exciting times ahead with some of our top performers only in Year 9 as well as many more students showing some fantastic potential, which we will continue to nurture and encourage. As well as the obvious physical health benefits of physical activity, time spent outside is of huge benefit to mental health and wellbeing and we encourage as many students as possible to join in with our clubs this term.



District Athletics Trials on Wednesday and cricket in Year 7 PE lessons on Tuesday.

## HOUSES LEADERBOARD



Wright Brothers

10550



Ada Lovelace

12697



Nightingale

12603



Hawking

12591



Mandela

11495

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# **COMMUNITY KICKABOUT**



**SUNDAY 15 MAY 2022 @ 10AM  
WOKING SPORTSBOX, GU22 0AF**

- Organised by the Surrey Police Football Team
- Seven-a-side tournament for 13-to 16-year-olds
- All skills levels welcome to play
- Run by Chelsea FC football coaches
- Live DJ
- Medals and prizes
- Food and drink
- And so much more!



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