



# HOE VALLEY SCHOOL

## Newsletter

Friday 8th July 2022



With the lovely weather all week, it has been great seeing our students enjoying our outdoor spaces during morning break and lunchtime. We are also looking forward to seeing the development of the Wellbeing Garden that the PTA are working on - this additional quiet space will be of huge benefit to us all.

Our new Head Boy, Head Girl and their deputies were announced in Assembly on Tuesday. Eren K, LJ A and the team that will support them were presented with lapel pins and prefect ties by Mrs Davies before the new Head of Sixth Form, Mr Robinson, delivered an inspiring speech about the key role our current Year 10s will play in launching the Sixth Form. We are delighted to be holding our first open evening for the new Sixth Form on next week on Monday 11th July at 6pm. It will be a great opportunity to meet Mr Robinson, as well as hearing all about our plans for the new building and facilities, the curriculum and what life will be like at Hoe Valley Sixth Form.

Year 10 students are spending their time until the end of term looking more closely at their career options ahead of next term's Sixth Form application deadline. Students have already written CVs and researched possible career paths, and next week will meet key employers and senior industry figures to help to start to plot their journey from classroom to career success. Year 8 have also been working hard on their Work Ready Skills this week when Innovative Enterprise came to spend the day with them on Wednesday. The day brought the whole year group together focussing on several maths-related topics culminating in the hugely popular Stock Market Challenge which saw them learn first hand about risk-taking and the importance of working as a team using each persons individual skills to reach a collective decision. Bernie from IE was so pleased to be back with us after a 2 year hiatus and was really impressed with how well our students engaged with the programme.

Wednesday also saw our inaugural Battle of the Bands competition take place with some of Hoe Valley's most talented musicians going head to head in a visually spectacular concert. 6 acts from Years 8-10 performed a wide range of styles and songs in front of a professional judge, vying for the chance win a recording session at Water Rat Studios. Huge congratulations to Hannah, Maddy, Eren and Billy of The Trefle Clefs who took the coveted top spot. It was also the debut outing for the newly formed HVS Staff Band, whose performance was well received by students and guests and we hope to see them perform again soon! Thanks to all the performers for their hard work and also to the student AV team led by Mr Inglis.

On Thursday, the cast and crew of Hoe Valley's epic production of Bugsy Malone came together again for the première of the DVD release of the show. Complete with popcorn and snacks for the true cinema experience, it was a lovely time to reflect on their achievements and watch it all back as audience members themselves. Copies of the DVD are still available for purchase at a cost of £7.50 each via Parent Pay.

Today was our whole school sports day; a really great opportunity for us all to come together as a school and take part in a wide variety of track and field events, culminating in the awarding of the House trophy. We are pleased to let you know that the eventual victors of Sports Day were Lovelace and this year's winners of the House Cup are Nightingale! The 2nd page of our newsletter is a collection of images taken at today's event - we hope you enjoy them. Congratulations to every student who has taken part either today or in PE lessons over the last week.

We are recruiting additional Teaching Assistants to join our Personalisation team in September. These roles might be of interest to someone within our parent body, or you may have a friend or relative who might be looking for a new job. You can read more about the vacancy on our website [here](#) and we would be pleased if you could share the link within your own networks.

Surrey County Council have been in touch with us to let us know that they are conducting a survey to inform the Additional Needs and Disabilities Partnership Self Evaluation. They would be grateful if parents and carers could take a few minutes to complete their survey [here](#). The survey runs until the 31st July and they would love to hear from you.

With best wishes for a pleasant weekend and happy Eid to those in our community who are celebrating,  
Mrs Davies

## Dates for your Diary

### Summer Term 2022

11/07/22	Sixth Form Open Evening 6pm
13/07/22	Sports Awards Evening (by invitation) 6pm
18/07/22	School Awards Evening (by invitation) 6pm
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

### Spring Term 2023

03/01/23		Start of Term
10/02/23		INSET Day (Staff Only)



Battle of the Bands - the winning band 'The Trefle Clefs', Year 8 taking part in the Stock Market Challenge on Wednesday and Mrs Davies with our new Head Boy and Girl and their Deputies.



# SPORTS DAY IN PHOTOS



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