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27.05.22	End of Term
06.06.22	Start of Term



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MR HALLAM & MR TURNER YEAR 7 NEWS

As we approach the final weeks of Year 7, I am delighted to see the progress that Year 7s are making in their learning. Reports came out recently, and we are really happy with how well they are progressing.

We have had some brilliant engagement in co-curricular clubs, and you can see more detail on the outstanding achievements of our year 7s in athletics, winning many golds across a Borough selection competition.

We are also very excited to offer two brilliant trips at the end of June to Kidzania and London Zoo, so please visit parent pay to complete your forms.



MR PREDA & MS WORLEY YEAR 8 NEWS



The Year 8s have made a great start to the half term. Teachers have commented on their positive attitude to learning and excellent discipline.

We are also very excited about our upcoming rewards trips, one culture focused (a choice between the Tate Gallery and the Museum of London), and one adventure filled (a choice between Mini Golf and Ninja Warriors).



Please sign up on ParentPay.



MR ESTON & MS TUCKER YEAR 9 NEWS

There was lots of good news in year 9 from the sporting world and PE. Please visit the sports section for news from PE.

Keeana, Aaesha, Heer, Mifrah, Anita, Zoe, Medina and Zahra all passed their Sport England Your Time project on Thursday. They planned and led a fun sports session with 30 year 7s. The girls were fantastic and have passed a certificate as Sports Leaders. Next year they will have a key role in promoting sport and physical education in Harrow High School. Well done girls!

A fantastic opportunity to go and watch 'Germany v Spain' in the European

championships on Tuesday 12th July has gone out to learners on Parent Pay. Act quickly as there is limited space to attend.

Also please ensure you are all signed up for the brilliant trips arranged by Ms Bowen this term to Brighton and the RAF museum in Hendon. If you need help with costs please don't hesitate to talk to your year team. See Ms Bowen's section for more info.

Keep up the fantastic attendance, but make sure you are working hard to be punctual.

MR GONCALVES & MS MEHTA YEAR 10 NEWS



Learners have been given new lanyards where needed and they must ensure they are wearing this at all times as it is a part of your uniform and a vital tool for identification of everyone around the school. If for any reason you have lost or broken any part of your lanyard, please go to the attendance office to get a replacement.

The prices are as follows:

ID All- £2	Lanyard- £1
ID Card- £1	Plastic Holder- £1

The blazer continues to be part of the daily school uniform so please ensure you are wearing it. This doesn't impact PE days, where you need to ensure you have the correct PE kit.

Also a gentle reminder that hoodies or other non-school jumpers are not part of the uniform and will be confiscated if worn in school.

A number of Year 10 learners have been entered for Language Community Exams.

This is a very exciting opportunity to gain an extra GCSE. These learners have now performed their Speaking assessment and have been given their timetable for the remaining assessments (Listening, Reading and Writing). Please check over these carefully so you know exactly when your exam is. We wish you all the best for these! If you haven't been entered this year, you still have the chance to complete a Community Language GCSE. To find out more about it, please speak to Coach Luis or Mrs Bansal.

Following the application to become School Captains late in the Spring Term, the School's community has voted to elect the new School Captains and Deputy Captains. While we had a strong group of applicants who delivered clear messages about their qualities and vision to fulfill the role, only four applicants could have been appointed to take on this huge responsibility.

Please join us in congratulating our new School Captains, Fatima Al-Adnani and Jesse Wasula, and Vice Captains, Elaaf Abdalwahab and Jagrut Hirani. We wish them the best of luck in their new roles.

A massive congratulations to Fatima Al-Adnani for entering and being awarded the first prize in Harrow School's 450th Anniversary photography competition.

Finally, a new lunch and break times tournament is in the making! The Year 10s will be able to participate in the very first **Headteacher's Football Tournament**, organised by Yousef and some Year 10 learners. Learners will be grouped in teams, named after Premier League teams. The games will take place during break and lunch time. This is a great opportunity for learners to enjoy some healthy competition.



MS BARRETT & MS CAMPBELL YEAR 11 NEWS

It has been a really busy last few months, with year 11 attending early morning and after school interventions. The majority of the year group have really utilised this resource and the hard work will definitely pay off.

Exams will officially begin on Monday 16th May. Learners be ready to perform your best, you have worked hard and we believe in you all doing your very best.

Make sure you get a good night's rest (phones away, drink plenty of water and eat a good breakfast. Breakfast will be available for all of Year 11 from Monday at 8am and is completely free of charge.

Parents and Carers please make sure that your sons and daughters are punctual to school, and that they are up in enough time to get ready and make it to school for breakfast at 8am.

Please also monitor their sleep patterns, going to bed too late will mean that they will not perform as well as they can in an exam.

And Lastly, GOOD LUCK to you all! Final year 11 celebration will take place at the Prom so make sure you have booked your place by Friday 13th May.

MR PATEL SIXTH FORM NEWS



Summer exams will begin on Monday 16th May for Year 12, and Monday 23rd May for Year 13. A reminder to please arrive in the common room no later than 8:40am for your morning exams. We will be offering a free breakfast in the canteen from 8:15am every morning during exam season, which you are welcome to enjoy. For afternoon exams, please arrive in the common room no later than 1pm. The exams will run on very strict timings, so please ensure your punctuality is on point. You must be wearing your lanyard and ID card at all times.

Keep up the hard work over this final stretch, and remember the Sixth Form team and your subject teachers are always here to support you.

This month UCL have lots of great opportunities for Year 12 and 13 students, such as Envision@UCL, Informed Futures, the Discover Summer School, Data Detectives and they can register to attend a Political Science taster evening.

Applications are also now open for lots of different summer schools for Year 12s. You can apply for the Orwell Summer School, the Mullard Space Science Laboratory: Space Science Week, the Capital L Year 12 Languages and Law Summer School, and a UCL Summer School focused on Sustainable Building Design.

For more information and to discover more opportunities please visit the link below:

<https://www.ucl.ac.uk/widening-participation/learners/year-12-and-13>

SCHOOL NEWS

SPORTING NEWS

In May we took 20 KS3 learners to Harrow School for Harrow borough trials. Behaviour and attitude from all was exemplary, and we had some fantastic individual achievements against the rest of Harrow (including three fee paying schools).

Congratulations to:

Kiayon Moore – 200m Borough Champion U14s

Zyrah Miller – 200m Borough Champion U12s

Alex Lester – Wilson – Shotput Borough Champion U12s

Moiesha Savage, Zyrah Miller, Leah Paul-Stevenson & Abi Shaptej – 4 x 100m relay Borough Champions U12s

Moiesha Savage – 100m Borough Champion U12s

Moiesha ran 100m in 13.92 seconds, and for context, the U16 100m winner won in 13.85 seconds, only 0.07 seconds faster!

We are also very excited to take our Under 16 girls to a Borough Football final on the 12th May to face Pinner. This is the first time we have taken a girls football team and we are delighted with their progress.

Finally, please see the Year 9 area for some fantastic news regarding Sports Leaders and their involvement in the Sport England 'Your Time' project raising engagement in girls sport.

ASK APPRENTICESHIPS REGISTRATION WEEK

There are over 20,000 current vacancies of the governments 'Find an apprenticeship' website and over 20% of under 19 apprenticeship starts were in September last academic year (30% in the year before that). With exams and study leave fast approaching, it is imperative that young people seeking an apprenticeship are registered now! That's why we at ASK are launching the ASK registration week 2022 during the 23rd – 27th May. We invite you to request our 'Registration and Application Workshop' activity during the final week of May so that the aspiring apprentices in Years 11 and 13 can get registered on Find an Apprenticeship, gain access to 20,000 vacancies and be signposted to other places to find apprenticeships to apply for. Workshops will be allocated on a first come first serve basis, we are expecting to be fully booked as much interest has already been expressed.

Please follow the link to register:

<https://www.apprenticeships.gov.uk/influencers/request-ask-support>.

All careers professionals that register will be entered into a raffle to win a luxury hamper, bottle of wine, or gift card depending on the winners preference!

SUMMER ASPIRATIONS TRIPS

We will be running our summer aspiration trips on Thursday 23rd and Friday 24th of June. Going on school trips offers students a unique cultural learning experience. It allows students to be involved in new environments which is key to encouraging curiosity. Please sign up and pay for your child/children's trips via ParentPay.

Year 7: Thursday 23rd June – Kidzania

(<https://kidzania.co.uk/whats-inside/all-activities>)

Friday 24th June – London Zoo

<https://www.zsl.org/zsl-london-zoo/exhibits>

Year 8: Thursday 23rd June – Museum of London or Tate Britain

(www.museumoflondon.org.uk) (www.tate.org.uk/visit/tate-britain)

Friday 24th June – Ninja Warrior or Bigshots Golf

(www.ninjawarrioruk.co.uk/watford/ninja-warriors/)

(<https://bigshotsgolfuk.com>)

Year 9: Thursday 23rd June – RAF Museum

(www.rafmuseum.org.uk)

Friday 24th June – Brighton Beach

EID CELEBRATION

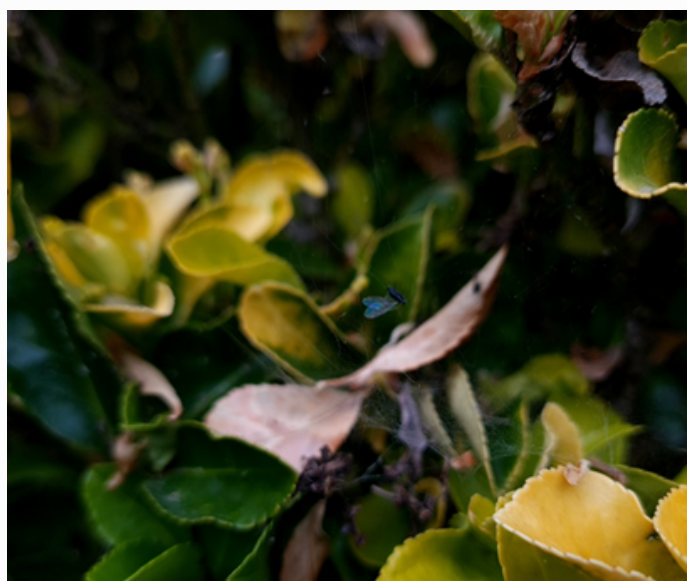
It was a great pleasure to celebrate Eid last week. At HHS we are committed to diversity and therefore, we organised a series of events to celebrate the Muslim community.

All year groups had an assembly about the significance and importance of Eid. Our thanks go out to Mrs Askari and her Sixth form students for organising and delivering such an informative presentation. We also selected a playlist of songs that played on the school speaker systems during lessons and at break/lunchtime. The choices were excellent and gave us an opportunity to appreciate the cultural impact of Islamic music. Additionally, the very talented canteen team put together an exciting Eid menu with multiple dishes and a fabulous dessert. Thank you to Mrs Bowen and Mrs Carver for the decorations and to everyone who participated. Eid Mubarak to all!

PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION WINNER!

Many congratulations to Fatima for winning first prize in the recent Harrow 450 Photography competition. Here is what Fatima had to say about her experience along with some of her fantastic photos:

I really enjoy photography. I have always had an interest in it, and I've admired people who could take such beautiful photos. Recently, I had the opportunity to participate in the Harrow 450 Photography Competition run by Harrow School, with the theme of 'My Pandemic'. I managed to win first place in the junior competition, and along with it the prize of £200! I was unbelievably happy and this only encouraged me to continue practising and trying to improve. As part of the competition, the photo was shown at the exhibition as part of the Harrow Community Day, which I was invited to attend. It was a lovely experience, seeing my own photo hung on the wall right next to so many others. Going into this, I had not expected to win at all, but still took part. I hope this encourages more people to try things out, even if they have no experience or expectations, because you never know what might happen!



CORAM SHAKESPEARE FESTIVAL FEEDBACK

Congratulations to the cast and crew of Romeo and Juliet, who recently performed at the The Beck Theatre as part of the Coram Shakespeare Schools Festival. You received some amazing feedback from the organisers. Well done!



“DID MY HEART LOVE TILL NOW?”

Romeo and Juliet
by Harrow High School
at The Beck Theatre, 22nd March 2022
appraised by Vikki Walsh

I would like to send my sincerest congratulations to Harrow High School for your wonderful production of Romeo and Juliet as part of the Spring 22 Shakespeare Schools Festival. It was a brilliant evening of theatre, and I'd like to talk about a few elements that really shone.

This company commanded the audience's attention with their confident performances, clear storytelling, and commitment to their characters. They demonstrated excellent vocal skill which clearly conveyed the emotions of the characters and the relationships between them.

The phrase 'the walls have ears' sprung to mind as the ensemble positioned themselves around the secretive Juliet, and leaned in to eavesdrop on the dialogue taking place. This is just one of many examples of how the ensemble worked together so successfully to draw the audience into the story. In the ball scene, their focus and discipline was extremely impressive. They demonstrated excellent control when they shifted from party mode movements to total stillness. The seamless transitions between scenes demonstrated an excellent understanding of how to use the performance space effectively, and kept the audience gripped.

There were so many standout moments in this production, which were cleverly directed and well executed by the company. One of these was Tybalt's death – I loved how he slowly dragged from centre stage towards the audience, and the final gesture of reaching out to the audience before his arm fell to the ground... superbly theatrical!

The technical support provided for the performers was excellent. Both sound and lighting were skillfully operated by members of the company. A student also designed the costumes which cleverly used different colours to define opposing families, and which really stood out against the black box performance space.

Congratulations to a highly committed cast for a slick, polished production. Your Romeo and Juliet shone with a truly timeless quality. Staging a Shakespeare play in these changing times takes extra courage, tenacity, and creativity. You should be incredibly proud of what you and your teachers have achieved.

I hope to see Harrow High School in the next Festival!

Vikki Walsh

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LEARNER VOICE

– MR FELEPPA

Learner Voice completed its hustings process last week and appointed a new Student SLT from Y10. The newly-appointed team will lead Learner Voice for the next three terms.

The hustings process consulted the whole school, so that every student, teacher and staff member was invited to vote for two captains. Each candidate made a one-minute video that was shown in every form, along with key data on attendance, net points and effort grades, so that the school could make an informed choice. Finally, the five students with the most votes were short-listed and invited for an interview.

All candidates interviewed well, and the panel of Mr Feleppa Mr Patel and the incumbent Head Boy and Girl, Muhammad-Ali Mohsin and Alex Bodnar, found that all candidates presented themselves in an excellent light. The decision was particularly challenging, as each candidate would bring something different to the role. In the end, the panel was unanimous in the following team:

Captains: Fatima Al-Adnani and Jesse Wasula.

Vice-captains: Elaaf Abdalwahab and Jagrut Hirani.

This term, the team will get to work immediately on improving the representation of diversity in the school.

I would like to extend particular gratitude to the Year 11 Head Girl Alex and Head Boy Muhammad-Ali, who have been a joy to know over the past year, and have always modelled excellent care for our community. Your assemblies, and the work you put into them behind the scenes, was exemplary, and so were your efforts during the process of appointing your successors, it has been an honour. In addition, I would like to say a positive word for Nathan Berhane, a young man with an excellent future who was unlucky on the day not to secure a role but has my invite to work with the team this year.



SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING

Students at Harrow High had a very eggsciting two weeks of chick filled activities. As an extension of Science and Engineering, students observed the growth and development of chickens, from a tiny egg to full of energy and heart grabbing chicks. During the first week, Year 9 students participated in chick week, which saw them use their engineering minds to create and build structures, to drop from a height, whilst keeping a raw egg intact!! They also engaged in eggsperiments (experiments all to do with eggs), learnt about the history of chickens and looked at the lifecycle of a hen.

The following week 12 students from year 9 were selected for the Year 9 chicks Eggsperts Leadership Programme. These 12 courageous and ambitious students, used their knowledge from chick week, and in pairs, they each taught year 7 science classes all about chicks, and were taught about the duty and care of looking after livestock.

The addition, the chicks really grabbed the attention of the whole school and created a healthy buzz around the science department. Students from KS3 to KS5 were queuing up outside the prep room to view and cuddle the chicks. Members of staff also came in their numbers to view the newest members of the Harrow High Family. There was even a keen interest from the kitchen staff... let's hope they aren't having any new chicken recipe ideas. It really has been an amazing eggssperience for all. All 10 chicks have successfully been rehomed to staff and students. We wish you all the best with your chick rearing and cannot wait to see your growth pictures.



UPTREE PARENT FLYER



Introduction to Apprenticeships and Early Careers

Thursday 7 July 12:45 - 13:15**Online via Zoom**

Session objective:
To gain insights into apprenticeship opportunities and learn more about the early careers space.

Session overview:

- Introduction to Uptree
- What are apprenticeships
- Benefits of apprenticeships
- How you can support your child in their next steps
- Q&A


For parents/carers of young people

The world of work is rapidly changing and it's important that young people are supported with up to date information.



Join our parent/carer talk to find out more about opportunities your child might be interested and explore how you can support them to bridge the gap between education and employment.

To sign up or for more information contact: Caitlin@uptree.co | 07395 795 524

NATIONAL NUMERACY CHALLENGE



Try out the National Numeracy Challenge today!



SCHOOL DROP OFF AND COLLECTION – PARKING

At Harrow High, we value the good relationship we have with our neighbours and the positive behaviour demonstrated by learners outside of school.

We therefore remind parents/carers that when dropping off or picking up your child after school you do not park across residents' driveways or park in Brandreth Court retirement homes car park (this is private property) and observe the no-parking restrictions. Your support will help keep our young people safe when arriving and leaving school.

If parents/carers have any questions then please do speak to a member of staff. Staff are on duty every morning and afternoon