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HPA Newsletter



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Welcome



Welcome to our April Newsletter.

As I write this to you, our Year 11s have taken off from the start line of their Summer GCSEs. We have started strong with our Art and MFL speaking exams and are gearing up ready for our first full cohort exam in just over a week with English Literature on Monday 12th May. I am confident that our students are fully prepared and ready to take on the challenge over the next six weeks with their own aspirational goals in sight.

This week our Year 11s heard from our alumni student, Dean Owen, and his journey through a fully funded University Scholarship, stemming from results earned in his GCSEs. It goes to show that the hard work in the next few weeks can, and will pay off for our students future opportunities.

In this crucial time for Year 11 and for parents/carers, I am sure it feels like only yesterday you were waving them off at the gates of their primary school. I would like to remind our students of a quote we revisit in assemblies: "Use your time wisely, and don't look back wishing you would have done more. Time flies. It's up to you to be the navigator".

Sian Angell - Year 11 Raising Standards Leader

IMPORTANT DATES:

Thursday 1st May:	Junior Maths Challenge
	Year 8 Subject Evening
Monday 5th May:	Bank Holiday
Friday 23rd May:	End of Term
Monday 2nd June:	Term 6 begins
Tuesday 10th June:	Junior Maths Challenge Follow-up Round
Thursday 12th June:	Year 9 HPV Vaccinations



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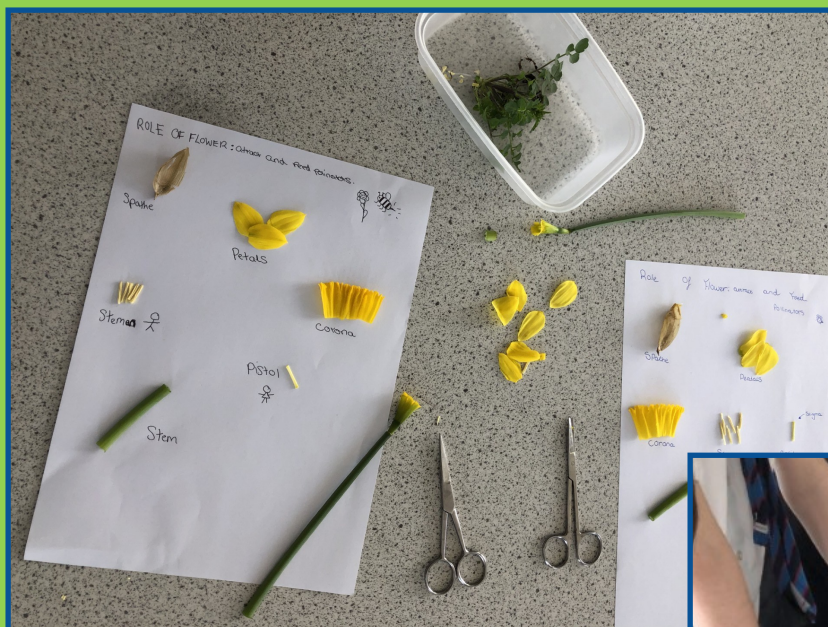
Year 8 Scientists

As it is Springtime, and the flowers are blooming, we have been learning about the flowers in our community through dissecting a daffodil.

We learned that the daffodil has six structures that help it carry out its role of attracting pollinators.

We enjoyed seeing the insides of a common flower, and we will now look at them differently when we see them in the wild!

Miss Treble



SEND News



Mental Health Awareness week will be taking place during the week commencing the 12th May. Hans Price Academy is passionate about supporting students, staff and parents with their mental health. Throughout the week there will be a number of activities that students can take part in during lunch times, including the famous return of our very own photobooth!

Key information to support will be shared for students, parents and staff.

One of the key events we will be offering is a parent/carers coffee morning on Tuesday 13th May from 9am-11am to discuss their mental health with our counselling team. We would love to see you and are more than happy to support as much as we can.

The Buzz



The Buzz newsletter is co-produced with North Somerset SEND children and young persons council. Their hard work has resulted in this amazing newsletter which can be found via this link:

<https://tinyurl.com/54ye2nxx>



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Team Maths Challenge



For the first time, Hans Price Academy entered a team into the regional final of the UKMT Team Maths Challenge at the end of March.

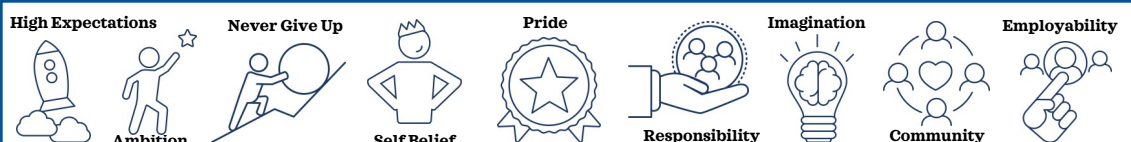
The group consisted of 4 high achieving mathematicians. They were Kyati and Liam from Year 8 and Indie and Elliot from Year 9. They showed great commitment to this event by training after school for 4 weeks, practicing each round and getting to know each other as a group.

The students spent the day at Sidcot School, an independent school near Winscombe. The day consisted of 4 rounds of challenging questions in different formats. Some rounds needed an answer from one pair of students so that the other pair could use that answer to help them with their own questions. The relay round saw them running around, passing questions to each other to answer.

The team performed really well. After the first two rounds, they had scored 115 out of 116 points and were joint second out of 19 teams from a mix of independent and state schools. At the end of the event, they finished in 11th place overall. It is a very pleasing result for a first attempt at this competition.

The students represented HPA so well and should be proud of their achievement.

Congratulations to all of them for working so well together



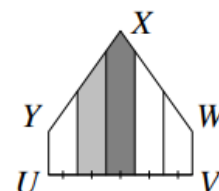
Grey Kangaroo Maths Challenge



In January, Hans Price Academy had one Year 9 student who achieved a Gold certificate, was Best in School, and qualified for the Grey Kangaroo follow-on round in March. Elliot C was one of only a few thousand students in the country to qualify for this round so he did really well to achieve this.

Elliot had to sit an hour long multiple choice paper consisting of 25 questions. An example question is shown below.

In the pentagon $UVWXY$, $\angle U = \angle V = 90^\circ$, $UY = VW$ and $YX = XW$. Four equally spaced points are marked between U and V , and perpendiculars are drawn through each point, as shown in the diagram. The dark shaded region has an area of 13 cm^2 and the light shaded region has an area of 10 cm^2 . What is the area, in cm^2 , of the entire pentagon?



- A 45 B 47 C 49 D 58 E 60

Elliot correctly answered 24 out of the 25 questions, earning him a Gold Kangaroo certificate. This is truly a very impressive score and a result of his hard work and dedication in preparing for the challenge.

Elliot is a remarkable mathematician. He also recently competed in the Team Maths Challenge at Sidcot School with 3 other students. He should be very proud of his achievements.



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Library News



This year has seen the most reading logged in Accelerated Reader than any year at this point. That is in addition to the reading happening day-to-day in lessons that can't be measured through Accelerated Reader. Accelerated Reader is the system we use to encourage, track and reward reading in Years 7 and 8. This tracks the books they read, indicates understanding and calculates their word count. These scores feed into the College Cup! A massive well done to the students below who are currently leading the way and building in time for independent reading.

Highest Word Count (Words Read)

Name	College	Year	Word Count
Yuna B	Mando	7	5,629,902
Alex J	Clarus	7	4,311,242
Tia S	Clarus	7	2,981,439
Antoni S	Clarus	7	2,354,812
Darcie P	Mando	7	2,340,492
Robert B	Fortis	7	2,308,194
Beth N	Mando	8	2,292,598
Melodie R	Acer	7	2,280,351
Jacob D-H	Fortis	7	1,849,977
Joshua C	Fortis	8	1,829,576
Lilly L	Mando	8	1,764,945
Zain O	Mando	7	1,752,572
Emilia D	Acer	8	1,621,952
Ezri L	Acer	7	1,365,740
Jasmine H	Mando	7	1,162,323

Top Quizzers (Books Finished)

Name	College	Year	Quizzes
Yuna B	Mando	7	174
Paige G	Mando	7	106
Robert B	Fortis	7	100
Alex J	Clarus	7	82
Charlie B	Clarus	7	71
Tia S	Clarus	7	70
Oliver J	Acer	7	58
Safyre M	Acer	8	54
Antek F	Fortis	7	53
Antoni S	Clarus	7	52
Melodie R	Acer	7	52
Riley G	Fortis	7	52
Nikola P	Clarus	8	51
Kaitlyn K	Acer	8	48
Elliot N-H	Mando	8	46
Ronnie R	Mando	8	44

Highest Word Count in Term 4

Name	College	Year	Word Count
Alex J	Clarus	7	734,526
Tia S	Clarus	7	644,886
Charlie B	Clarus	7	526,704
Yuna B	Mando	7	519,093
Ella A	Acer	7	418,383
Nell B	Acer	8	350,613
Bella G	Acer	7	349,563
Emilia D	Acer	8	308,012
Lucy A	Fortis	7	263,125
Jacob D-H	Fortis	7	245,678
Zofia K	Mando	7	239,833
Lilly L	Mando	8	221,713
Paige F	Clarus	7	211,713
Tyler M	Acer	7	204,444

Top Quizzers in Term 4

Name	College	Year	Quizzes
Charlie B	Clarus	7	21
Yuna B	Mando	7	18
Nixie R	Mando	8	16
Nathaniel A	Acer	8	15
Paige G	Mando	7	14
Jonah M	Clarus	7	13
Zofia K	Mando	7	12
Robert B	Fortis	7	12
Tia S	Clarus	7	11
Jason S	Mando	8	11
Tyler M	Acer	7	11
Uyiosa AO	Clarus	8	10
Nikola P	Clarus	8	10
Dorothy L	Mando	7	10
Alex J	Clarus	7	10



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Touch Footy success

HPA ran out a 13-8 win last Friday away at Nailsea Touch Rugby Club. Special mention to Jacob for 6 tries on his debut and Luke for his 4 tries. The try scorers are pictured below:



Attention now turns to the South West Championships on 7th May at Clifton Rugby Club where we have 60 HPA students competing. Parents can come and watch from 10am and the winners of this competition qualify for the national finals.

Sports Awards 2025

This summer will see HPAs first Sports Awards Evening.

The event will be invitation only and a chance to celebrate sporting success in the Academy, along with appearances from professional athletes.

As part of this we would like to know of any students who compete at high level (regional or above) outside of school. If this is your child we would appreciate a photo of them in their kit with a brief description of their achievements.

Please email these to Helen.Broaders@clf.uk. More info for this will come out during Term 6.



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Year 8s Won their Jr NBA Playoff Quarter Final and advance to the conference semis!

Girls Football

Great work from the Year 7 and 8 girls who played football against the best Year 6 students from North Somerset. North Somerset under 11s won the National Finals in Surrey 2 days after playing HPA. A massive thank you to Gracie in Year 10 for officiating and coaching.



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SPARX Maths



Every time a student completes their Sparx I.S, they earn Sparx Experience Points (XP). Students earn more XP if they complete XP Boost or Target homework tasks in addition to their compulsory independent study (homework). They can also earn more if they don't switch their questions to another one. (They are allowed up to 3 switches).

This year, Sparx have changed how often students level up. Students now reach a new Level for every 1,000 XP they earn.

The following students have reached the milestone amounts of 5,10,15,20,25, etc (The number in brackets shows their level).

Year 7

Lucas C (5), Alesha T (5), Tyler J (5), Barry V (10), Elif O (10), Ella R (10), Riley K (10), Lily S (10), Paris E (15), Jessica V (15), Phoebe P (15), Dexter P (15), Fionn N (15), Arthur S (15), Ezri L (15), Lucy A (15), Savannah K (15), Emma B (15), Archie-Lee S (15), Ioan Z (15), Lucas P (15), Harper M (15), Riley P (15), Orson G (15), Todd R (15), Somerset H (15), Ellis L (15), Ulfat S (15), Ethan F (15), Jacob W (15), Isla W (15), Niamh C (15), Bartek J (15), Alisa V (15), Jonah M (15), Theodora O (15), Kit L (15), Alex J (20), Lily L (20), Brandon W (20), Jacob D-H (20), Ahmet A (20), Ruby-Mae S (20), Sylvester A (25), Zofia K (25), Faye W (25), Michal M (25), Artur J (30), Evelyn C (30), Riley G (60).

Year 8

Jenson C (5), Charlie T (5), Morgan A (5), Harry B (5), Noah W (5), Chantelle D (5), Yoshi H (15), Aimee T (20), Safyre M (20), Sam M (20), Charlie C (20), Ronnie R (20), Alex A (25), Louise F (25), Seth N (30), Paige F (30), Tyler B (30), Dylan R (30), Gracie W (30), Yasmin K (30), Maksymilian C (30), Archie B (30), Gabi S (30), Jack L (30), Alfie D (30), Ari D (30), Joshua C (35), Bradley-Bertakis S (35), Uyiosa O (35), Coby E (35), Tabina Q (35), Layla M (40), Tilly P (40), Mateusz G (40), Sonya M (55), Justin D (65), Payton B (70), Saad M (100), Oliver N (290).

Year 9

Leo-Prince K (5), Sookie R (5), Summer P (5), Chloe W (5), Victor F (10), Tyler B (10), Shaylen C (10), Wayne J (10), Amelia L (15), Harry G (20), Darren M (20), Lauren P (25), Taelor-Rae P (25), Elena K (30), Jamie B (30), Fay G (35), Rainbow D (40), Cody B (40), Lily M (45), Lilly-Mae B (45), Keri-Lou H (45), Sarah T (45), Cole W (45), Ashleigh K (45), Emily H (45), Thomas S (45), Sammy M (45), Amy B (45), Alfie H (45), Anita M (50), Georgina B (50), Elliot C (55), Alisha C (55), Skyw J (55), Preslav Z (55), Amy-Natta D (60), Katie B (70), Konstantin K (85), Kieran S (90), Bailey Y (100).

Year 7 Leaderboard	
Charlie B	Level 86
Riley G	Level 60
Darius M	Level 59

Year 8 Leaderboard	
Kytati K	Level 417
Olivier N	Level 290
Klouse R	Level 159

Year 9 Leaderboard	
Faaizah O	Level 201
Bailey Y	Level 100
Kieran S	Level 90



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