

February 2024

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# HPA Newsletter



## Welcome



Welcome to our February newsletter.

The Hans Price College Cup competition is well under way and alongside Ready to Learn is at the heart of what makes our culture so strong. The College Cup winner is based on points accumulated throughout the academic year from attendance, achievement, behaviour, punctuality, Fun-Day-Fridays, reading and whole lot more. This also includes our 3 major cups.

Across term 2, we saw all students participating in the Community Cup. Our students donated their time to helping others in our community (both in school and at home), over 1500 items of food was donated to Weston Foodbank and nearly £600 raised during the Christmas show for charity. This was won by Acer (current reigning College Cup champions). The sense of pride I have throughout this term is immense as each College comes together to recognise and support our wider community beyond our walls at Hans Price!

Term 4 sees the start of the Expressive Cup where students can choose to express their own interests in a wide variety of competitions, aimed at moving away from traditional subjects. Last year we had over 30 opportunities from Xbox gaming to creating poems, art work, Rubiks cube, hula hoop and even a live singing performance on the playground! Points are awarded for anyone who enters, with bonus points going to the winner of each competition.

Alongside Ready to Learn, our College Cup is what makes Hans Price a fantastic and unique place to be. We look forward to seeing those expressive cup entries throughout March.

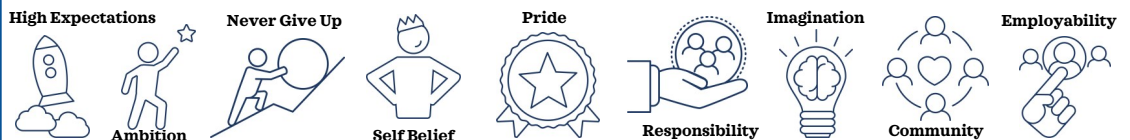
Sam Drew—Assistant Principal

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### IMPORTANT DATES:

Thursday 7th March:	Live Lunch for students
Thursday 14th March:	Music Show - 7pm
Tuesday 19th March:	Year 10 Work Experience Week
	South Bristol Youth Trip - Hinkley Point
Monday 25th March:	Eco Week
Thursday 28th March:	Year 9 Vaccinations
	Year 11 Parents' Evening
	End of Term
Friday 29th March:	Good Friday - Bank Holiday
Monday 15th April:	Inset Day
Tuesday 16th April:	Term 5 Begins



# Safeguarding Parental Support



## Advanced Parenting Groups

Parenting isn't easy even when your child is well and happy. Sometimes all we need is a little advice and guidance to get us back on track when things are tricky.

The Family Wellbeing Parenting Team have an offer of 13 advanced parenting groups which are free to attend and run by trained facilitators. All groups are evidenced based meaning they employ tried and true methods built on research that demonstrate positive outcomes and are most likely the most reliable way to approach parenting.

For information on the advanced parenting groups please search for "North Somerset Advanced Parenting Groups" on your chosen search engine or scan the QR code below.

- Incredible Years Autism & Language Delay
- Incredible Years Preschool
- Incredible Years School Age
- D.A.R.T – Domestic Abuse Recovery Together
- Parents Plus: Adolescent Programme
- Parents Plus: Working Things Out
- Parents Plus: SEND
- Parents Plus: Parenting When Separated
- Non-Violent Resistance
- Mellow Parenting



For more information, please contact the Parenting Team:  
[parenting.groups@n-somerset.gov.uk](mailto:parenting.groups@n-somerset.gov.uk)



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## The Parenting Village Coffee Morning

"It takes a village to raise a child" originates from an old African proverb and conveys the message that it takes many people to provide a safe and healthy environment where children can flourish.

The drop in is a relaxed and friendly place where parents and parenting specialists will be on hand to share resources, offer support, a listening ear or just spend time talking about what it's like to be a parent.

**When?** 1<sup>st</sup> Friday of each month

**Where?** Castle Batch Children's Centre, Bishop Avenue, Weston-super-Mare, BS22 7PQ

**What time?** 09:30 – 11:00

**When?** 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month (9<sup>th</sup> Jan 24)

**Where?** Oldmixon Family Centre, Monkton Avenue, Weston-super-Mare BS24 9DA

**What time?** 09:30 – 11:00

**When?** 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month

**Where?** The Barn, Great Western Rd, Clevedon BS21 6HB

**What time?** 11:00 – 12:30

*Parents of children of all ages welcome.  
Free refreshments*



For more information, please contact the Parenting Team: [parenting.groups@n-somerset.gov.uk](mailto:parenting.groups@n-somerset.gov.uk)



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# Swim Gala



The CLF Swim Gala took place at Hutton Moor this month. Students competed in swimming disciplines that included front crawl, back stroke, breaststroke, and butterfly. These were executed with skill and determination.

In a nail-biting finish, Hans Price just missed out on the top spot by one race! Organisers praised entrants from all five schools for the determination and sportsmanship they demonstrated throughout the event.

Mr Green, who organised the gala, said: "This was a first for me organising an event like this, so I did expect some hiccups, but everything ran really smoothly. It was a definite success and participation levels were high. It was fantastic to see each student represent their academies with pride. I hope we can continue to run this event and I anticipate it to be even bigger and better in 2025.

- 1st place with 223 points Monkton Wood Academy
- 2nd place with 213 points Hans Price Academy
- 3rd place with 200 points Winterstoke Hundred Academy
- 4th Place with 167 points Broadoak Academy
- 5th Place with 45 points Kings Oak Academy



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# YMCA



## Youth Cafe Drop-in

Monday and Wednesday  
15.30 - 17.30

Join us for games, craft,  
snacks and music!

Weston YMCA Youth Cafe  
2 Bristol Road Lower  
BS23 2PN



Here for young people  
Here for communities  
Here for you



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# Intermediate Maths Challenge



At the end of January, the Maths Department entered nearly 60 top mathematicians from Year 9 into the Intermediate Maths Challenge and achieved impressive results.

The challenge is run by the United Kingdom Mathematics Trust and consists of answering 25 multiple choice questions in an hour. The questions test students' logical thinking, ability to problem solve and extends their understanding of mathematical ideas covered in their maths lessons.



Students worked hard to prepare for it and enjoyed competing. Between them, they managed to achieve 1 Gold, 4 Silver and 12 Bronze certificates. Everyone else received a participation certificate. Considering that the challenge is aimed at students in Year 11 and below, this is extremely impressive and they should all be proud of what they have achieved.

The results are:

Bronze – Neave B, Jeshurun B, Jayden G, Maja J, Emily P, Travis S, Callum W, Sam A, Maggie B, Edie B, James F, Thomas S.

Silver – Brendan D, James F, Zachary K, Alexis L

Gold – Emma G

Emma also won the award of 'Best in School'.

In addition to this, 3 students qualified for the Grey Kangaroo follow-on round. They are Emma, Zachary and Alexis. A huge congratulations to them as only a few thousand qualify nationally.



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# Attendance



**BINGO**  
**TERM 3**

Everyone  
Invited with  
**100%**  
Attendance

**GREAT PRIZES!**  
**FUN FOR ALL!**



Year 7 Winners, Olivier N,  
Caitlin S, Rostyslav C, Mikey T,  
Freddie B and Emily M



# Attendance



Just a little  
**bit late**  
 doesn't seem  
 much but...

**MOMENTS  
 MATTER,  
 ATTENDANCE  
 COUNTS.**

They are only  
 missing just...

**10**  
 minutes  
 per day

That equals...

**50**  
 minutes  
 per week

Which is...

nearly  
**1.5**  
 weeks  
 per year

Over 13 years  
 of schooling  
 that's...

nearly  
**half**  
 a year

**20**  
 minutes  
 per day

**1.5**  
 hours  
 per week

nearly  
**2.5**  
 weeks  
 per year

nearly  
**1**  
 year

**30**  
 minutes  
 per day

**half**  
 a day  
 per week

nearly  
**4**  
 weeks  
 per year

nearly  
**1.5**  
 years

**1**  
 hour  
 per day

**1**  
 day  
 per week

nearly  
**8**  
 weeks  
 per year

nearly  
**2.5**  
 years



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# Sparx Maths



Every time a student completes a task, they earn Sparx Experience Points (XP).

Students earn more XP if they complete XP Boost or Target homework tasks compared with their compulsory homework. Students reach a new Level for every 10,000 XP they earn. They then receive a certificate and a badge to wear with pride on their blazer.



The following students have 'levelled up' this month and the number in brackets indicates the level they have achieved.

## Year 7

Liam H (5), Lily McD (1), Joel W (4), Mateusz G (1), Joy S (3), Amelia W (1), Coby E (1), Izzy A (1), Violet B (1), Harley-D B (5), Emily McC (1), Isabella A (1), Lucien W (2), Layla M (1), Lam B (1), Archie F (1), Saad M (5), Mikey T-B (1), Lily R (1), Henry L (1), Klouise R (9), Gracie A (1), Kyati K (27), Leah McN (1), Jewel J (1), Olivier N (15), Jason S (1), Justin D (2), Cooper D (1), Gracie E (2), Eddie H (1), Kate P (1), Kristian D (1), Gabi S (1)

## Year 8

Dylan S (4), Greyson S (1), Isabelle V (2), Asya D (2), Mahiya A (2), Faaizah O (5), Isla-Rose D (2), Elliot C (3), Max K (2), Max D (2), Niki P (1), Cieran C (2), Charlie M (2), Kieran S (5), Bailey Y (5), Fiyin F (2), Adrian S (3), Haithem F (2), Lily-Rose M (3), Amber F (3), Charlotte B (3)

## Year 9

Bobby B (1), Karina M (2), Toby W (1), Ianys D-P (1), Elliot D (1), Edie B (2), Poppy R (2), Bogdan S (4), Grace C (2), Nicholas M (2), Abbie H (2), Thomas S (2), Callum B (2), Neveah L (1), Kaci L (2), Meriam M (16), Daniela A (6), Ria R (1), Ashton L (2), Francesca Y (2), Freddie B (2), Lena Lizon (2), Ella Unwin (2), Emmy P (1), Brendan D (2), Viktoria W (1), Skye R (3)

## Year 10

Hope C (2), Lexie F (1)

Don't forget that you earn 1 AP for completing your Sparx. 1 AP for completing the XP Boost and an extra 2 APs for completing the target work.

Congratulations to Kyati for achieving over 270000 XP points, earning Level 27



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# Careers Focus



Year 11 Students and families can continue to attend open events in the community. If you would like support with Post-16 options and applications or would like to attend a meeting to better understand Post-16 options, please contact Jackie directly via email: [jackie.fielding@clf.uk](mailto:jackie.fielding@clf.uk) or Direct Dial: (01934) 630836 ext.1340.

## Dates for the fridge: Careers and Post-16 Dates March—April 2024

<b>Winterstoke Hundred Academy</b>	Applications	No deadline	Beaufighter Rd, Weston-super-Mare BS24 8EE	<a href="#">WHA Sixth Form Applications</a>
<b>Weston College</b>	Open Evening for School Leavers and Adults	Wednesday 13th March 5-7pm	All Campuses	<a href="#">To Book: Weston College Open Evening</a>
<b>Bristol City, Robins Foundation</b>	Online Question & Answer Session	Monday 18th March 2024	Online	<a href="#">Register: Bristol Robins Events</a>
<b>Bristol City, Robins Foundation</b>	Taster Session	Wednesday 3rd April	Imperial Sports Ground, BS14 9EA	<a href="#">Register: Bristol Robins Events</a>
<b>Bridgwater &amp; Taunton College</b>	Open Evening	Wednesday 24th April 2024 6-8pm	Cannington Campus	<a href="#">To Book: Cannington Campus Open Evening</a>
<b>South Glos and Stroud College (SGSC)</b>	Open Evening	Thursday 25th April 2024 5.30-8pm	All Campuses	<a href="#">To Book: SGSC Open Day</a>



# Indoor Athletics

An indoor athletics meet was held at the Bristol Grammar School this month and lots of children from the ages of 11-16 took part. When we arrived we checked in and then went into the sports hall to start warming up. All the parents went upstairs to the spectators area and we had a run through of what was going to happen.

The school itself was very nice and we got to try out the gym and watch the long jump events in the squash courts. The staff were really friendly and supportive.

The students that attended from Hans Price were myself, Lacey and Nell (from Year 7).

I reached 44cm in the vertical jump which is quite good as the top score was 47cm. However, I came 3rd in the 2 lap event which I have done better at in the past.

Overall, it was a really good experience and I really enjoyed it.

**Report by: Izzy C - Year 8**



# Anti-Bullying Ambassadors



We have recently launched a scheme for our students to become involved with Anti-Bullying. We now have a group of students who are Ambassadors for the schools, they have either volunteered or have been put forward by their College Leaders.



Some students were invited up to one of the Bristol CLF schools to form part of a steering group across the Trust with students from other schools. They were then motivated to return to Hans Price Academy and share their ideas with the rest of the group. This included creating an information video to share in Learning Family time for all students, making a Charter and ordering some shiny new badges!

“Show me your friends and I’ll show you your future.”  
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# Anti-Bullying Ambassadors



The group thought carefully about the messages they wanted to share, they included the following information:

## What is Bullying?

- Bullying is an intentional repetitive action towards a person by another person or group of people.
- At HPA we want everyone to feel supported and that they can speak up if they feel they are being bullied.

## How does Bullying happen?

- Bullying can be physical, verbal, emotional or online.
- Some people think they are having 'banter' or 'just joking' with others, but if it upsets the other person, this is not acceptable.

## Why is bullying harmful?

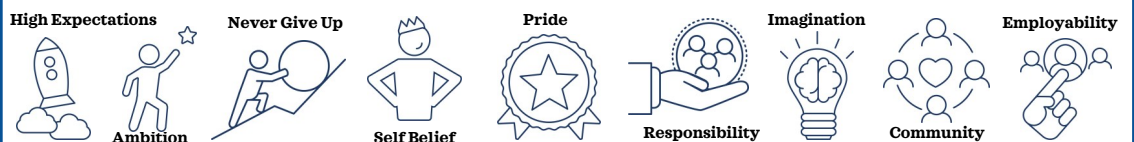
- Bullying can harm a person's Mental Health and can lead to depression and loneliness and make you not want to come to school.
- How you talk to people is very important, whether it is in person or online. It should always be respectful and mindful of how it may affect the other person.
- Research from the NSPCC states that being bullied can affect someone for the rest of their life, if they do not seek out support.

## When does someone become a bully?

- We have discussed that both the victim and the bully will need support for their own emotions. Sometimes it may be that the bully is having a tricky time in school or at home and they are not able to manage their own emotions in a good way.

## What are you responsible for?

- You are responsible for your own actions.
- If you see bullying – report it to staff.
- If you keep quiet about bullying, you will be giving power to a bully.



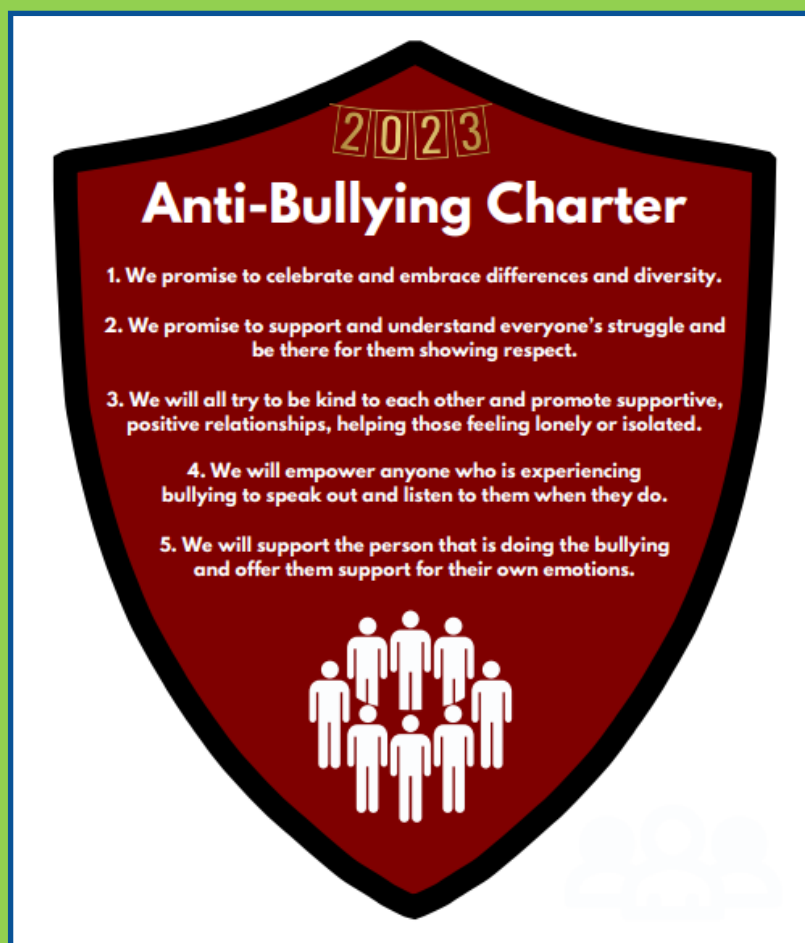
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The Ambassadors then created an Anti-Bullying Charter.

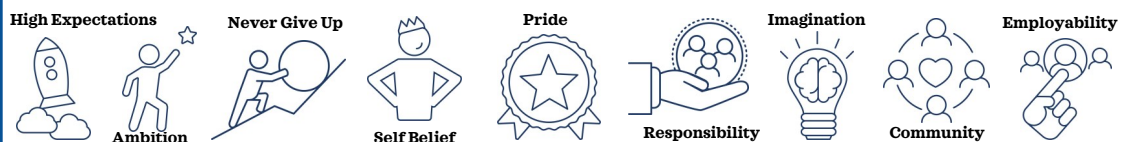
A poster copy was given out to every Learning Family for all groups to decorate and sign in agreement.

By signing the Charter, the students agreed to stand together to back the Anti-Bullying Campaign.



We are looking forward to expanding the project and recruiting new members. If you would like to become part of the Anti-Bullying Ambassador, please speak to Miss Davis or Miss Milsom.

**Written by Safeguarding Team**



# Tassomai Winner



After a phenomenal effort by students across 500 schools, Harri, Fortis 1, was drawn as a winner for the Tassomai January Challenge!

Congratulations to Harri who completed 38 daily goals across English and Science. Not only did Harri win a prize, but by completing his Tassomai he will be supporting his understanding of his core GCSE subjects. Well done Harri!



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