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HPA Newsletter





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Welcome

Welcome to our February Newsletter,

Year 11 finish off their final Pre Public exams on Friday and this marks the end of mid year assessments for all years. We look forward to sharing Year 9 reports with them at their Subject Evening on Thursday (6th March). The event doubles up as Guided Options evening and

marks a major evening in the HPA calendar as they make steps to streamline their curriculum. Year 10 are further along that journey and are gearing up for their Work Experience week commencing on the 10th March.

Since I started working at Han Price in January 2012 I can honestly say that the standard of teaching that your child is receiving this year is at its highest ever level. We have been delighted with the amount of teaching applicants to recent advertised roles and look forward to welcoming Mr Williams back into the English team along with Ms Henderson and Ms Sreekal into the Science team from September. We are always open to applications from members of the local community to become part of our examination team either reading to students or invigilating exams. Please take a look on our Facebook page or the Cabot Learning Federation website to find out more or to apply. Its a great way for you or someone in your network to make a supplementary income and make a difference to young peoples lives so please do share as you see fit.

I'm delighted that we now have languages trips heading to Barcelona and Paris in Autumn 2025. This is partly in response to feedback from our parent forum earlier in the year and will provide our French and Spanish Key Stage 4 students with lifelong memories.

I'd like to give a special mention to the students in this newsletter who have been recognised for their brilliant achievements in reading and maths. Our March newsletter will see us celebrate KS4 students efforts in their English and Science Tassomai so please encourage your child to complete their daily quizzing.

Mr Holland - Assistant Principal (Quality of Education)

IMPORTANT DATES:

Thursday 6th March: Year 9 Subject Evening/Options Evening

Friday 7th March: Move It Trip

Monday 10th March: Year 10 Work Experience Week

Friday 14th March: Year 11 Photos—Individual and Whole Year

Thursday 20th March: Year 10 Subject Evening

Intermediate Maths Challenge

Thursday 27th March: Year 11 Subject Evening

Thursday 3rd April: Easter Show 7pm Friday 4th April: End of Term Tuesday 22nd April: Start of Term 5



















Year 11 Celebration Evening



On Tuesday 28th January we welcomed back our 2024 Year 11 Leavers to come and collect their GCSE certificates and to also celebrate their success and hear what they are all up to now.

The event saw 135 students return to HPA and it was lovely to hear where their future careers are heading through their current Post-16 courses, as well as what part time employment they are currently within. It was also great to see who is beginning to embark on their driving tests.

We look forward to receiving more news on our HPA leavers continue to get up to in the future.























Intermediate Maths Challenge





At the end of January, the Maths Department entered over 120 top mathematicians from Year 9 and 10 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 3 Gold, 8 Silver and 23 Bronze certificates. Everyone else received a participation certificate. Considering that the challenge is aimed at students in Year 11 and below, this is extremely pleasing and they should all be proud of what they have achieved.



The results are:

Bronze – Aimee B, Lola B, Cieran C, Rocco G, Emily H, Bana H, Jacob A, Franek K, Anita M, Charlie M, Weronika O, Tristan T, Cole W, Maisie W, Freddie B, Maggie B, Sid B, Zachary K, Alexis L, Theo L, Dylan L-J, Chloe U-L, Catrin W.

Silver – Amber F, Indie P, Kirk G, Brendan D, Elijah M, Emma G, Jayden G, Buster P.

Gold - Elliot C, James F, Emily P.



Elliot from Year 9 also won the award for 'Best in School' and James won the award for 'Best in Year 10'. In addition to this, Elliot qualified for the Grey Kangaroo follow-on round. This is a huge achievement as only a few thousand students qualify. Huge congratulations to Elliot.





















Nurture



HPA are on a journey to becoming a Nurturing school. Running through the Nurture approach are 6 principles which fit perfectly together with our values and culture. The nurturing approach considers how a students environment affects their emotional wellbeing, social skills, and how ready they are to engage at school with their learning. By introducing Nurture into our academy's culture through the National Nurturing Schools Programme we can support our students to develop their self-esteem, confidence, social skills and resilience and it is these skills that can support them throughout life.





















Young Writers Poem



Izzy C has written an incredible poem for the Young Writers 'Disguised As Society' competition and has successfully had her work published.

What an amazing achievement! Congratulations and well done on such a fabulous submission.

Ms Moser

Disguised As Society

Disguised as society Within all the trends Is a woman, kind and caring For her sight is unique Different and fun For her hair is colourful, lively Yet her eyes are grey Drained As the colour has faded From society You and I The grey that fills her eyes Building the tension to fit it Then to look back and think "How boring" For we are women in society







Yet we are never enough.













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

Harvey M (5), Sienna W (5), Remi P-E (10), Alexia C (10), Bettie-M D (10), Tyler J (5), Bobby C (10), Lacey L (10), Maria B (10), Nikolas N (10), James B (10), Eduard A (10), Jessica V (10), Alfie F (10), Livvy B (10), Lilly H (10), Theo H (10), Kenan A (10), Cooper F (10), EmmaK (10), Marley S (5), Saraya H (5), Korben M (10), Will B (10), Fionn N (10), Ali S (10), Suliaman D (10), Theo H (10), Jade C (10), Antek F (20), Lucy A (10), Olivia C (10), Isreal C (10), Dorathy L (10), Ella-Mae H (10), Lana T (10), Danica P-L (10), Smile T (15), Mithra K-V (10), Blake B (15), Oakley H (10), Jacob D-H (15), Leighton R (15), Saad I-H (10), Ryan M (10), Reeva W (10), Alfie B (10).

Year 8

Kailum C (5), Kaitlyn K (80), Riley S (15), Freddie B (10), Shannon H (40), Arthur B (25), Autumn M (25), Khloe M (30), Flynn L (25), Olivia B (50), Yasmin F (20), Cooper D (30), Kyron D (20), Leo C (25), Maci- Rae B (30), Thomas W (15), Max P (15), Krystaal-Skye M (20), Rose C-L (40), Klouise R (155), Travis J (25), Lyla M (30), Kyati K (410), Elijah B (25), Jacob S (25), Corey E (15), Ollie K (5), Tilly P (35), Vinny P (5), Scarlette H (30), Phoebe P (30), Max E (5), Jessica R (25), Violet B (30), Aaliyah D (10), Romani H (25), Maisie M (25), Leah M (30), Cameron J (20), Tommy P (25).

Year 9

Greyson S (25), Ola H (25), Rocco G (45), Lily M (40), Bolly K (35), Salvatore O (35), Isabelle V (40), Lily-Rose M (50), Fiyin F (40), Freddie H (45), Louise B (40), JJ D (45), Victor F (10), Ava D (5), Adrian S (50), Beau D-C (40), Evie B (45), Max D (30), Kirk G-V (45), Lexie H (15), Katie H (25), Tristan T (40), Haitham F (30), Peyton-Jace D (40), Lewis P (50).

Year 7 Leaderboard		
Charlie B	Level 58	
Riley G	Level 53	
Darius M	Level 52	

Year 8 Leaderboard		
Kytati K	Level 410	
Olivier N	Level 286	
Klouise R	Level 155	

Year 9 Leaderboard			
Faaizah O Level 183			
Bailey Y	Level 96		
Kieran S	Level 88		

















Fire Station Visit



On the 30th January, the South Bristol Youth students visited the Avonmouth Fire Rescue team.

Students were able to take a tour of the station and meet the firefighters. We had a presentation on the careers and opportunities in the fire rescue service in the morning, and then we took part in some fun tasks and team building activities in the afternoon. Whilst we were there the firefighters had a real call to attend to, so we had a full experience of the alarm sounding and them getting ready to leave the station in the engine.

The students had a great day and enjoyed all the activities.



























Careers and Post-16 Events



Provider	Event	Date & Time	More Information
Winterstoke Hundred Academy Post-16 Centre	2025 Applications Open		WHA Post-16 Applications
Weston College	Campus Tours Year 11 students, parents/ carers	Various options available	Booking essential: Weston College Campus Tours
Thatcher's Cider	2025 Apprenticeship Vacancies	Now Open	To apply see flyer below
Weston College All Campuses	Open Evening School Leavers & Adult	Wednesday 12 th March 5-7pm	To register: Weston College Open Evening
Bristol Robins Foundation	Courses Q&A Session Online via Microsoft Teams	Monday 31st March 6.30pm	Register: Bristol Robins Open Event
Weston College All Campuses	Easter Half-Term 1 Day Workshops Year 9,10 & 11	8 ^{th &} 9 th April 9:30am – 1pm	Booking essential: Easter Half Term Workshops
	Various subjects available booking essential follow the link to sign-up		





















Careers and Post-16 Events

























Library News



This year has seen the most reading logged in Accelerated Reader than any previous year at this point. That is in addition to 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	5,052,608
Alex J	Clarus	7	3,471,199
Robert B	Fortis	7	2,281,281
Antoni S	Clarus	7	2,250,315
Melodie R	Acer	7	2,227,378
Darcie P	Mando	7	2,208,725
Beth N	Mando	8	2,174,167
Tia S	Clarus	7	2,012,822
Joshua C	Fortis	8	1,800,041
Zain O	Mando	7	1,635,913
Jacob D-H	Fortis	7	1,604,299
Lilly L	Mando	8	1,451,842
Ezri L	Acer	7	1,261,352
Jasmine H	Mando	7	1,160,597
Emilia D	Acer	8	1,120,146

Top Quizzers (Books Finished)

Name	College	Year	Quizzes
Yuna B	Mando	7	157
Paige G	Mando	7	92
Robert B	Fortis	7	88
Alex J	Clarus	7	74
Tia S	Clarus	7	57
Antoni S	Clarus	7	50
Oliver J	Acer	7	50
Kaitlyn K	Acer	8	46
Safyre M	Acer	8	45
Melodie R	Acer	7	43
Max T	Mando	7	43
Riley G	Fortis	7	42
Charlie B	Clarus	7	42
Elliot N-H	Mando	8	41
Nikola P	Clarus	8	36
Ronnie R	Mando	8	35



















Library News



Highest Word Count in Term 3

Name	College	Year	Word Count
Joshua C	Fortis	8	1,335,655
Nicola S	Fortis	7	968,076
Yuna B	Mando	7	921,234
Darcie P	Mando	7	684,493
Evelyn C	Fortis	7	599,826
Zofia K	Mando	7	572,154
Beth N	Mando	8	562,450
Ethan F	Mando	7	380,093
Elliot N-H	Mando	8	377,154
Oscar C	Clarus	7	309,181
Lula S	Fortis	7	285,228
Paige B	Fortis	8	279,763
Niamh C	Clarus	7	254,900
Melodie R	Acer	7	246,141
Alex J	Clarus	7	240,610

Top Quizzers in Term 3

Name	College	Year	Quizzes
Paige G	Mando	7	33
Riley G	Fortis	7	31
Antek F	Fortis	7	31
Charlie B	Clarus	7	24
Oliver S	Acer	7	23
Oliver J	Acer	7	22
Joel W	Fortis	8	22
Oscar C	Clarus	7	22
Arthur S	Clarus	7	21
Elliot N-H	Mando	8	19
Zofia K	Mando	7	19
Yuna B	Mando	7	19
Eduard A	Clarus	7	18
Ella-Mae H	Acer	7	16

SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB

You can order books through our Hans Price Scholastic Book Club on the Scholastic website this Spring. Buying books through our Book Club offers a discount for your purchases, free delivery to school and earns points for free books for the library.

Order through our account at www.scholastic.co.uk/clubs

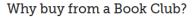
Order deadline: 31st March 2025 Book Club: HPA Term 4 Book Club

You can browse the online catalogue here: https://

www6.scholastic.co.uk/3dissue/catalogues/Clubs/March2025/UKTeen/

or pick one up in the library.







Delivery is **FREE** to school



All books are discounted, many by **50**%



Every order earns **FREE** books for **your school**



Children can choose books they want to read

















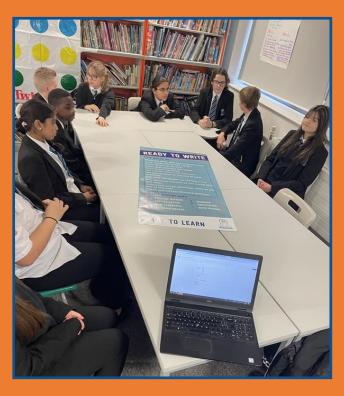


Student Council



The Student Council met at the end of last term to discuss the things that matter to students at Hans Price and offer suggestions and feedback.

The council welcomed Becky Neale, Student Engagement Manager at Aspens Catering Services, and talked at length about the food offered at break and lunch times. They discussed menu creation, pricing and demand. The members of the council also talked about marking of SPAG (spelling and grammar) in their lessons and gave their opinions on proposed structures for SPAG marking across the Academy. Students also brought their own ideas to raise and we had thoughtful suggestions and reflections on hand dryers, school trips, rewards and how to best judge staff costumes on World Book Day!

























Careers Keynotes



At Hans Price Academy we are deeply committed to offering a comprehensive and dynamic careers provision for all students throughout their Year 7-11 journey, allowing students to make informed and aspirational goals for their futures.

As part of our careers provision we would like to invite parents, carers and members of our wider community to speak with our students about their own experiences and journeys within their careers. These "Careers Keynotes" would be delivered in the library to small numbers of students to allow them the opportunity to hear and ask about the world of work from the people who experience it around them.

We are hoping to offer many keynotes on a wide range of careers. If you would be interested on coming to Hans Price to talk with our students, to support our wider careers provision at Hans Price Academy please contact Jackie Fielding (jackie.fielding@clf.uk).



Find out more about Careers at HPA on our wenbsite: https://
hanspriceacademy.clf.uk/curriculum/
careers-guidance/

Our Careers guidance and provision at Hans Price offers a wide range of experiences and opportunities to inform and develop aspirations for the future. We have a qualified Careers Advisor who coordinates events, shares information and is available to support students with advice and progression to further education and careers.

In addition to a careers featuring in our SPACE curriculum and inclusion through all subjects taught at Hans Price, students use the online platform, UniFrog, to support their planning for Post-16 and beyond.

Parents and carers are also able to access their own Unifrog account. This gives access to careers and local labour market

Career sectors

Here are some sectors you might be interested in see all sectors >

Farming and land

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Read the profile >

Film and photography

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information, webinars delivered by employers and universities and comparisons of available pathways so you can support your child in making an informed decision about their next steps. The sign up code you need is: **HPAMParents** and you can sign up here: www.unifrog.org/code. You can also sign up to Unifrog's parent/carer newsletter when you first sign in to get expert advice and guidance on supporting your child with their next steps. For more information, go to www.unifrog.org or contact our Careers Advisor, Jackie Fielding, at jackie.fielding@clf.uk.





Independent Study



New Independent Study booklets have been launched with KS3 students for the second half of the school year.

The IS systems have stayed the same. Students have three pieces of IS each week. The schedule and tasks are outlined in the booklets with additional details shared in lesson and on MCAS.

The independent study for KS3 is designed to develop independent learning habits and time management whilst revising and expanding subject knowledge.

Students can access support and space to complete IS in school, every day.

- Lunchtime G7 12:45-13:10 (DTU and Prefects)
- After School LS3 15:00-15:50 (Teaching Assistants)

IS resources can be collected from the library. Electronic copies of the booklets are available

online, on the HPA website, alongside a video explaining IS for parents/carers.























Touch Rugby



Thankyou to all of the parents and carers who have been getting their children to Touch Rugby training every Wednesday morning at 7.15am. HPA will be taking 4 squads to the South West Championships on 7th May so if your child has not yet attended there is still time for them to come along and get selected.

If your child is fit, quick and can catch please get them signed up and bring them along to the upcoming South West trails. The information is below and the link is on our Facebook page. Nationals happen at Nottingham University on the August bank holiday weekend and double up as your child's England trial.

SOUTH WEST SAXONS TOUCH RUGBY

JUNIOR SQUAD TRIALS 2025

We are excited to announce the dates for junior trials for England Touch Junior Nationals 2025

iee below for trial and training dates, and EOI form



HOW TO REGISTER INTEREST

To register your child's interest in being part of the South West Saxons junior touch squads for Nationals 2025 please complete the EOI via the link below:

https://forms.gle/Pemtsmpz8oJdiUpn9

All junior players in the South West aged between 11-18 are invited to register their interest and join a trial training day. We will be running teams in all categories again this year.

TRIAL AND TRAINING DATES

Saturday 22nd March 2025 - Open trials -Chippenham RFC 10am-1pm

Saturday 12th April 2025 - Open trials -Hornets RFC 10am-1pm

Saturday 17th May 2025 - Squad training -North Bristol RFC 10am-1pm

Saturday 14th June 2025 - Squad traininglocation tbc 9:30am-1pm

Saturday 12th July 2025 - Squad traininglocation tbc 9:30am-1pm

Saturday 23rd August 2025 - Squad traininglocation tbc 9:30am-1pm

Saturday 30th-31st August 2025 - England Touch Association Junior Nationals -Nottingham



- Girls 14s
- Boys 14s
- · Girls 17s
- Boys 17s





















Year 11 Rugby



HPA hosted Priory for a very cold end of term Year 11 rugby fixture. 25 HPA students took part including some students making their rugby debuts for the school. HPA came out on top thanks largely to a hattrick from Devon B-T despite nursing an injured hand. Dan C and Adam D returned from injury to give great experience to the backline. Max H took the man of the match award for an all action display.



Christian M delivers another rousing pre game speech to motivate the boys.

Final Score: Hans Price 30:5 PCSA Hans Price 5 - 0 PCSA. (Luke H) Hans Price 10-0 PCSA. (Devon BT) Hans Price 15-0 PCSA. (Devon BT) Hans Price 20-0 PCSA. (Cruz G) Hans Price 25-0 PCSA. (Luke H) Hans Price 25-5 PCSA. (Aaron T)



Hans Price 30-5 PCSA. (Devon BT)

Reagan W and Aleks N put the power on in a scrum as Mr Drew and Max D look on.



















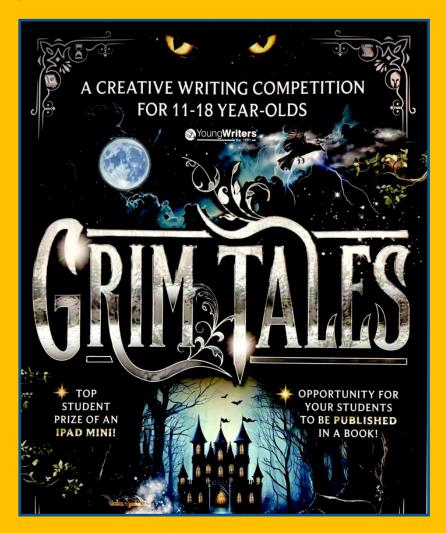
Creative Writing Competition



This story competition is entitled Grim Tales. Will you twist a traditional fairy tale, set a myth in modern times or create a brand-new legend? From cautionary tales to surprising plot twists, the possibilities are endless!

Students have the opportunity to have their work published and there are cash prizes for the winners! Write a story or mini saga up to 100 words. Please see Ms Moser for further info and an entry form.

Closing date: 3rd April 2025



Congratulations to Aimee B who entered the Young Writers poetry competition in November. She now has her work published and has made it through to the finals, beating thousands of entries for the chance to win an iPad!



















Coffee Morning



Parenting village coffee morning



This is a relaxed and friendly drop-in session 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.

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



When? First Thursday of each month Where? Nailsea and Backwell Children's Centre, Pound Lane, Nailsea, BS48 2NP What time? 1.30pm - 3pm

When? First Friday of each month Where? Castle Batch Children's Centre, Bishop Avenue, Weston-super-Mare, BS22 7PQ What time? 09:30am - 11:00am

When? Second Tuesday of each month Where? Oldmixon Family Centre, Monkton Avenue, Weston-super-Mare, BS24 9DA What time? 09:00am - 11:00am

When? Third Monday of each month Where? Clevedon Library, 37 Old Church Road, **BS21 6NN** What time? 9.30am - 11am

Scan here to learn more about our advanced parenting groups



North Somerset centres

North Somerset





















Breakfast Club









TART THE DAY RIGHT WITH BAGELS/TOAST & JAM

Open to everyone, daily. See Mr Drew for more information or just show up.

FREE - NO NEED TO SIGN UP - DAILY - 07:45 - 08:10





















Safeguarding





SAFEGUARDING IS EVERYONE'S RESPONSIBILIT

"Hans Price is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people. We expect all staff, volunteers and visitors to share this commitment"









IF YOU HAVE ANY CONCERNS ABOUT ANY MEMBER OF THE HANS PRICE COMMUNITY, PLEASE SPEAK TO A MEMBER OF STAFF

VISITOR INFO

- 1. Visitors must report to reception to sign in. You must wear your visitors ID at all times.
- 2. You must not walk around the Academy alone unless you have been given permission to do so.
- 3. You may not take photographs or video recordings of anyone in the Academy.

North Somerset Care Connect

ANYONE CAN MAKE A REFERRAL TO NORTH SOMERSET FOR SUPPORT OR TO REPORT A CONCERN.

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