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## **HPA Newsletter**





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# Welcome

Welcome to our final newsletter of the academic year. What a brilliant year we have had at HPA!

Our new Year 7 students have enjoyed a very successful "Big Step" induction week with us. I was so

impressed with how quickly they settled in and engaged with the range of activities on offer. It is clear to see that they are already feeling a strong affiliation with Hans Price and their College.

Last week we celebrated a very successful and inclusive Sports Day. Our students really got stuck in and participated in a wide range of activities. The weather just about held out for us, and it was great to see so many parents cheering on the students in the track events! This event goes towards the 'College Cup' and we will announce the winners on the final day of term. Will Acer hold on to the title? Or will a new College take the crown? Check out our Facebook or Instagram page at the end of term to find out!

We are also celebrating our first musical in 5 years, 'Sister Act', and I couldn't be prouder of the students who took to the stage, as well as the staff and students who helped put on such a fantastic show.

I am immensely proud to be Principal at HPA and have the honor of working with our students, families and our committed staff. Our students have continued to live and breathe our "Hans Price Values" every single day and it is heartwarming to see the community spirit which we have built. There is clearly a high level of mutual respect between students and staff, and it truly is a privilege to work and learn here.

We look forward to seeing all our students back in September, in full school uniform, Ready to Learn and ready to make a positive contribution to both our school and our wider community. I wish you all a safe and happy summer break.

Mr Esch

#### **IMPORTANT DATES:**

Monday 22nd July: Thorpe Park Rewards Trip
Tuesday 23rd July: Last day of term - 12.45pm finish

Thursday 22nd August: Exam Results Day

Monday 2nd September: INSET DAY
Tuesday 3rd September: INSET DAY
Wednesday 4th September: Term 1 begins

Tuesday 17th September: Year 7 & 9 Photo Day
Thursday 26th September: Open Evening for Year 5/6



















# **Sister Act the Musical!**



On the 17th July we performed our school musical Sister Act. It was a lovely cast of 22 who performed to a full hall. The musical tells the story of a night club singer who witnesses a murder and is hidden in a convent by the police. The cast did a brilliant job for 2 hours telling the story through singing, dancing and acting. They have worked really hard, meeting twice a week after school to rehearse. The cast really did themselves proud, for so many it was their first performance in a musical. The excellent professional tech was provided by KTA productions, an ex-student, Koby, who now runs his own production company. It was a wonderful evening and we are really proud of all of them.

#### Mrs Skidmore, Miss Binding and Miss Green

































# **Governance Update**



My name is Tricia Brabham and I am the Deputy Head of Governance for CLF. Along with my colleagues Liz Tincknell (Head of Governance), Will Lamb (Information Governance Coordinator), and Jackie Friday (Governance Administrator), we work closely with the Trust Board and Academy Councils (the name we give to our Local Governing Boards), on all areas of governance.

Our Academy Councils are made up of volunteers from the local community, as well as parents and staff and they have an important role in providing



appropriate challenge and support to the Principal to provide the best educational experience for all students. The Academy Council meets 6 times a year, with the Principal and members of the Senior Leadership Team, in addition individual councillors may link to a particular area of school to be able to provide strategic oversight to the Academy Council on the work taking place in this area. On occasion they may also sit on panels to consider exclusions or complaints.

We have vacancies across our Trust for Academy Councillors - you don't need a background in education, but be willing and able to commit time to the role, to ask questions, and to analyse data. We provide training for our councillors, and they have the support of a clerk and the wider governance team to help them in their role.



If you are interested in finding out more about the role please <u>complete this form</u> and we will be in touch.



















# **Sparx Maths**





Every time a student completes a task, they earn **Sparx Experience Points (XP)** and an Achievement Point. Students earn more XP if they complete **XP Boost** or **Target** homework tasks in addition to their **Compulsory** homework. They can also earn up to 3 extra Achievement Points for doing these tasks.

Students reach a new Level for every 10,000 XP they earn. Badges are awarded for reaching levels 1-4 and then a special Pi badge is given for achieving level 10. Six students have been presented with their level 10 badge this year. Huge congratulations to them all.

The following students have 'levelled up' during June and July, and the number in brackets indicates the level they have achieved.

#### Year 7

Kyati K (35), Olivier (27), Jacob S (1), Kacey R (2), Riley S (1), Kyran B (1), Izzy A (2), Kelcey G-T (3), Sebastian K (2), Denise D (1), Cameron J (1), Chloe C (3), Hollie A (1), Payton B (5), Bhama A (2), Hollie S (1), Coby E (2), Uyiosa O (2), Lily L (2), Lam B (3), Freddie F (2), Nikola P (2), Tilly P (2), Yani G (2), Lily R (5), Thomas W (1), Joshua C (2), Jason S (2), Klouise R (13), Emma T (3), Corey E (1), Vanessa S (2), Georgie E (2), Lucien W (4), Ethan T (1), David J (3), Matthew D (2), Tabina Q (2), Leah M (2), Anthony V (4), Emily W (3), Shannon H (3), Rose C-L (3), Chloe C (5).

#### Year 8

Coby W (3), Freddie H (3), Maisie R (3), Kieran S (6), Charlotte M (3), Ola H (1), Jodie D (3), JD (3), Zara W (3), Mia B (4), Jacob A (3), Priscilla B (3), Dylan S (3), Faaizah O (13), Jess W (3), Indie P (3), Megan C (3), Leighton S (2), Harvey A (3), Amy B (3), Emilia S (3), Isaac F (3), William B (3), Kornelia M (5), Nevaeh R (2), Zoe T (3), Stephanie W (5), Olivia B (4), Kieran S (7), Mateusz N (3), Dylan S (5), Gabby E (5), Jake N (3), Lily M (3), Mason S (3), Emily H (3), Blessing I (1), Sapphire B (1), Sammy M (3), Lilly-Mae B (3), Bailey Y (7), Alfie H (3), Ruby K (3), Jaz F (3), Cole W (3), Ashleigh K (3), Ivaylo P (2), Aaron G (3), Jayden M S (3), Aase C (3), Laila W (2), Keri-Lou H (3), Zhaklin C (3), Harmoni S (3), Ruby K (4), Kamil K (7), Sarah T (3), Nevaeh C (3), Finley F (3), Peyton-Jace D (3), Lily-Mae F (3), Michelle A (2).



















# **Sparx Maths**



#### Year 9

Meriam M (17), Poppy A (3), Theo L (3), Alex H (3), Jessika R (2), Aston J (3), Emma G (3), Joshua A (3), Riley P (3), Macie A (2), Abas N (1), Buster P (2), Kyai H (3), Patryk K (3), Abdelrahim T (3), Faith R (1), Chloe U-L (3), Donna D (2), Isabelle C (3), Kallum R (3), Manuela D (4), Kaitlyn W (3), Alessio O (3), Rhys W (3), Julia K (2), Callum W (3), Lola T-H (1), Maggie B (3), Catrin W (3), Maja F (3), Haydn S (3), Nicholas M (3), Maja J (3), Vincent W (3), Viktor P (3), Jayden S (1), Lily P (3), Jin H C (3), Harrison S (1), Elissa F (4), Kaci L (3), Freddie M (2), Millie L-S (3), Maks A (3), Emily P (3), Alexander D (3), Diamond S (1), Carys C (3), Alesha F (4), Sam A (3), Oliver R (3), Alan G (3), Jonah S (1), Gracie V (3), Zackary K (3), Joe L (3), Medow B (5).

The following 14 students are currently top of the leaderboard for the year. Congratulations to all students on this list.

#### Leaderboard

Name	Year	Level	Name	Year	Level
Kyati K	7	35	Kieran S	8	7
Olivier N	7	27	Bailey Y	8	7
Meriam M	9	17	Kamil K	8	7
Klouise R	7	13	Konstantin K	8	6
Faaizah O	8	13	Daniela A	9	6
Liam H	7	10	Alaina J	9	6
Kaitlyn K	7	7	Saad M	7	6

We also have several students who have completed all their **Sparx every week to 100%**. In addition to this, some students have also completed all their **Sparx XP Boost and Target work** every week. This is a huge achievement and one which these students should be proud of. Well done!

















# **Girls Maths Trip**





On Wednesday 17th July, a group of Year 10 girls went on a trip to Winterstoke Hundred Academy for a 'Girls in Maths' event run by the Advanced Mathematics Support programme.

Support Programme® The aim of the trip was to give the students an insight into the options available to them for further study beyond GCSE Mathematics.

During the day the students had the opportunity to listen to guest speakers and to take part in small group activities. In the first session they learnt about Florence Nightingale and how her training in statistics enabled her to become a pioneer in collecting and displaying medical data and how she reduced the death rates in the Crimean War.

In the second session, students learnt about the role of 'Data Journalists' and how they present information to us, using infographics (pictures to show data) to evoke emotions. Students were tasked with transforming a simple pie chart into an infographic. Amongst the 10 teams present, 2 of HPA's teams won a prize for their excellent drawings.

In the final session, 3 visiting speakers spoke about the maths courses they chose after their GCSEs, their jobs and how they use maths in them. Students were also given the opportunity to ask questions to these people.

The students were great ambassadors for HPA and found the day 'fun and exciting'. For some students it confirmed that they would definitely want to study Maths at A Level and for others it opened their eyes into how maths was needed in so many areas of work — medical,

environmental, sport and explosives to





















# **Eel Recovery Project**



On the 25th of June Year 8s were visited by a member of the Somerset Eel Recovery Project. Anita in Year 8 tells us what she learned:

"All the classes made their way down to the hall and a teacher gave us an introduction as to why eels are so special. This gave us an extra insight of why eels are so important to the environment. We also discussed our previous relationship with eels in England. This showed us how extraordinary these animals are and how much they meant to us in the past. After further exploration of why they are a necessity to the ocean food chain, we learnt how anti flooding systems can prevent eels from surviving and reproducing when they travel back to their home land. Students now know how important it is to think about our wildlife and how much it has helped us in the past."

#### Anita (Fortis 9)























# **Reclaim Counselling**





# DOMESTIC ABUSE

# Young People Counselling

Reclaim offers FREE, confidential counselling to young people (11-17) in North Somerset who have been affected by Domestic abuse.

Call us & leave a name, a safe contact number & we will call you back:

07919 440233

Inforeclaim@Reclaimvans.org.uk

RECLAIM FREEDOM from abuse





















# **Duke of Edinburgh Award**



It has been a full, fun packed year for our DofE students. We had a good number of students sign up for the Bronze award in Year 9 and a smaller cohort in Year 10. Well over 1000 hours of volunteering were completed by both groups over the course of their activities which is an amazing achievement and benefits our community greatly.

Many new skills have been learnt such as cooking, crocheting, learning a language, playing an instrument and many more. The enthusiasm has been fantastic.

The expedition season kicked off with a really positive start. We had the pleasure of Mr Papworth joining us again this year. His expertise in all things outdoors was a great contribution to the team. Both groups of Year 9s made their way from Burrington over to Cheddar and then Cheddar to Loxton, after creating their routes. The weather was hit and miss for the first group with periods of rain on the first day, thankfully it was still warm. It was a total contrast for the second group who endured the sun in a mini heatwave. Many of them soon realised that suncream does need reapplying throughout the day! Both groups enjoyed cooking for themselves with some students



choosing to cook full proper meals from scratch. The enthusiasm shown, despite how tough some students found it, was amazing. We had tears of joy from some when they reached the end, which showed the sense of achievement.



















# **Duke of Edinburgh Award**





The Silver groups had a brilliant start to their expedition season. For the practice, they started at the lovely little campsite, Sparkhayes, in Porlock and made their way over Exmoor via Minehead Campsite, to end in Dunster. This was the first time to this area for some so it definitely put their navigational skills to the test. Great progress was made by both teams, setting them up and preparing them for their assessed expedition. The weather remained perfect for their assessed expedition, which saw them tackle the beautiful Quantock hills. Starting day 1 near Hinckley point, they made their way over to Holford where we stayed at the Moorhouse Farm campsite. On day 2 the groups made their way over the hills, making stops at Crowcombe and Triscombe, as well as others, towards West Bagborough and our second campsite, Quantock Camping. By the time the groups reached the camp,

they were definitely ready for a rest. The warm weather and the hills definitely made it tough, but spirits remained high and they were as determined as ever to get through to the end. Day 3, with sore legs and tiredness kicking in, the groups navigated their way North towards the end point at Kings Cliff, taking in sights such as Fyne Court along the way. Over all, a really successful

expedition for the groups and tremendous effort put in by all.

This year, we were able to utilise our new resident assessor for the Silver Expeditions, Mr Edy, teacher of DT. It was great to have him on board with us this year, even if he did put our meal choices to shame by cooking up full on currys from scratch! Yes, he even brought his chopping board!

There are many participants who have fully completed their award and some are well on their way to finishing different sections, making this probably the most successful year for our students! Well done to all that took part.

Mrs Cox and Miss Green





















# **Exploring Bristol**



On 2nd July, the Year 9 South Bristol Youth cohort took a trip to explore Bristol and have lunch at ZaZa Bazaar. Trudy had the following to say about her experience:

"First, we met at school and walked over to the train station together. We had a talk from Network Rail and then had a fun train ride to Bristol Temple Meads. We then went on a ferry for a tour around the city and we were waving to people. We were scoring how many waves we could get and we got 250 people to wave back at us! The ferry then dropped us off near Za Za's Bazaar. Once we were in we could go up and get our food. It has Far East, China, Sushi, Pasta/Noodles. We were so hungry and excited! You can have anything, which is amazing! You could go with family and friends, and maybe you could have it for your birthday. Once we were full we then we went back on the ferry to the train station and caught the train back home."

As always, the students were amazing and a pleasure to spend the day with. They truly deserved this treat for their participation and efforts on the South Bristol Youth Program. This was our last trip together so I would like to say a massive thank you to this lovely group of students for being wonderful all year! Good luck in Year 10!























# **Into University - Business Focus**



On 4<sup>th</sup> July, the Year 9 Into University students took a trip to Burges and Salmon, a Law firm in Bristol. The students were split into two groups and were battling against each other in a task. Aston, who attended the trip, wrote the following on his experience of the trip:

"The Business In Focus trip was amazing! There were two teams represented by two cities. These were Chicago and Madrid. I was in Team Madrid with Trudy, Kyle, James, Rhys, Jacob, Freddie & Brendan. We had to try and get our city to host the next Global Games. However, the GGC were made up of firm but fair judges, Molly and David. Unfortunately, my team didn't win and I was a bit jealous of Chicago because they got a box of Celebrations. We were given serious roles and were really held to account like a true business. We had the CEO's, Finance Mangers, Marketing Managers, Sponsorship and Social Media Managers and many more roles. We were treated to a tasty lunch, which included pizza, burgers, chips, fruit pots and quite the choice of soft drinks! This was classed as a working lunch, so they were very busy working, eating and preparing for their next meeting! Everyone was amazing and rose to the challenge. I particularly enjoyed Emma's rap to convince us why Chicago was the best city to host the games!"



























#### **Year 9 Trials**



#### What is justice? It wasn't just us; it was half of Year 9 in one room!

Not every lesson can be the most exhilarating, inspiring and engaging 50 minutes ever, but sometimes - with the right student buy-in - something magical can happen.

Tuesday 2nd July: partition walls were moved aside, costumes were adorned, and three classes abated their breaths ready to face each other: "All rise for the honourable judges. Welcome to the Mega Trial!".





In an incredible feat of judiciary creativity, we saw our Year 9 students take to the stand, and with some cross-class, cross-curricular, cross-examination, our hot-shot legal teams attempted to tear down the opposition. The goal? To defend the innocence of Shylock against the personable prosecutor Antonio of Venice. Each team was prepared with witnesses, questions, physical evidence and a desire to win. Beyond any reasonable doubt, our Year 9s gave it their all, showcased exemplary oracy, and thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

Luckily for Shylock, a firm but fair group of white-wigged judges presided over the proceedings. They listened, they examined, and they banged their whiteboard-eraser-gavels at all the appropriate moments. It was a real joy to see the courtroom artists (also wearing wigs) capture the organised chaos of the lively debate.



Even with limited time to prepare, each class brought energy and tenacity to the trial. As a teacher, I was extremely proud of what each and everyone accomplished, and I think we have some future lawyers, actors and artists in our midst! The MEGA TRIAL was so successful, and such a buzz was created around it, that the rest of the year simply *had* to get involved. The evolution from 'Classroom' to 'Main Hall' brought about its own challenges that students seamlessly overcame. Ultimately, the whole Year 9 cohort have been a credit to the school throughout the process; they showed passion,

drama, and excellent employability. I know the English Department cannot wait for more opportunities to see them champion a challenge! Well done, and thank you!



















#### External Services - Student Support July 2024

The Summer holidays is a wonderful time of the year but for some of us it can bring increased anxiety or additional emotional stress. Please reach out to these charities if you feel you would like support, advice and information. All of these charities are easy to contact and will provide support to all students.

#### Kooth:

If you're worried about your child's mental health and wellbeing, support is available on Kooth.

Kooth is an online mental health and wellbeing service for children and young people. Here are some things to remember about Kooth:

- It's free to use.
- No bullying or discrimination can take place.
- No referral is needed to join.
- · Signing up and getting started only takes a few minutes.
- · No problem is too big or small.

Kooth supports young people across the UK with a range of difficulties:

- · Sadness and low mood
- Anxiety
- Loneliness and isolation
- Stress
- · Self-harm and suicidal thoughts
- Difficulties at school and college
- · Eating difficulties and body image concerns

Want to learn more about Kooth? Check out their FAOs for parents and carers,

#### How to join Kooth:

It only takes a few minutes to register online, and no formal referral is needed. Kooth only requires basic details like the area your child lives in and their month/year of birth to sign up for support.

#### Watch Kooth's short sign-up demo video.

Your child can get started today - go.kooth.com/9qhw

















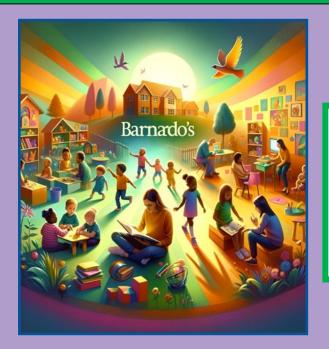






#### Barnardo's:

Support for young people So every young person can achieve their full potential.





<u>Great website – packed</u> <u>with advice and helplines.</u>

**Please visit** 

www.barnardos.org.uk



#### The Mix

The Mix is the UK's leading digital charity for young people. Whatever you're facing, The Mix is always there for you via their website, over the phone or on social media.

















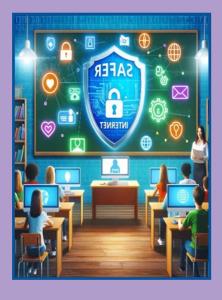




# childline

**Childline** is a lifeline for children and young people, offering a safe and confidential platform to discuss any issue or challenge they might be facing. Accessible via phone or online, Childline provides immediate support, advice, and protection. Whether it's dealing with bullying, emotional distress, or any other concern, trained counsellors are available 24/7 to listen, guide, and empower young individuals, ensuring they never have to face their troubles alone.

Call free: <u>0800 1111</u> or contact the website to email or log in for a counsellor chat. childline.org.uk



#### **Safer Internet**

**Safer Internet** is an initiative dedicated to promoting a safer online environment for children and young people. In an age where digital literacy is crucial, Safer Internet provides valuable resources, advice, and support to help navigate the complexities of the online world. From cyberbullying to online privacy, they offer guidance and tools to educate students, parents, and educators, aiming to foster a digital community that is both secure and enriching for its youngest members.

These introductions provide a glimpse into the unique features and services each organisation offers, highlighting their commitment to supporting and empowering students in various aspects of their lives.























11-19 year olds can get support from Sirona Care & Health's School Nurses during the school holidays through the Chat Health text messaging service.

You can text 07312 263093 for confidential advice on a range of issues including emotional health and wellbeing, relationships, smoking, stress and anxiety, self-esteem, bullying and drugs and alcohol. The service is open Monday to Friday 9am-5pm, excluding bank holidays. You can find out more on Sirona Care & Health website.

> We look forwards to welcoming you back next term.

Please stay safe over the summer holidays and look after each other!



Mr Drew, Mr Olpin and Miss Davis





















#### **North Somerset SEND Newsletter**



# The Buzz



Written in Co-production with the voice of The SEND Children and Young
Persons Council

Please click the link for the North Somerset SEND newsletter:

SEND Hub - news | North Somerset Council (n-somerset.gov.uk)



Holiday, activities and food (HAF) programme | North Somerset Council (n-somerset.gov.uk)



















# **Summer Community Checklist**



	Fully charge your phone and if you have one bring a backup charger.  Tip: Write your parent/carer's number on a bit of paper in case you run out of battery,
	and you need to borrow someone else's.  Connect and stay safe.  Tip://f you are going with friends, or you're not going straight from home – make sure
	your parents can contact each other.  Check the weather and dress appropriately. Wear sensible footwear.  Tip: If its hot - bring sun lotion, sunglasses, and a hat!
	Eat breakfast.  Tip: Bring a cereal bar/snacks with you. It might a while before you can access buying food.
	Stay hydrated - Bring a bottle of water. Tip: Bring a bottle you can refill.
	Agree meet up points incase you get separated from friends and/or family.  Tip: look for landmarks like churches, community centres or shops that are close by.
	How are you getting home? Have you agreed with your parents what you need to do?  Tip: know when the event ends –think about how long you'll wait for public transport.
	Look out for each other and stay safe. It can be tempting to keep up with what your friends are doing.  Tip: If you or a friend gets ill/sick – get help! Leave together if you feel uncomfortable.
• the	THANK YOU IN ADVANCE FOR RESPECTING  In other - remember the purpose of the event – leave any grievances at home.  It community and neighbourhood – don't pee in the gardens or alleys, use designated ets  environment - put your rubbish in the bin or take it with you.  If you feel unsafe alert event organisors  If you or other are in immediate risk of harm or you witness a crime call 999.





















#### Year 10 Weston College Taster Day - Wednesday 26th June



Year 10 students had an enjoyable day at Weston College for their taster day immersing themselves in a subject of their choice. This was a fantastic opportunity for them to start to think about aspirations for their college course choices and future career. As expected, our students were very well behaved and complimented by the college staff, followed up by an email from the Weston College team after the event:

"I just wanted to let you know how impressed we were with the Hans

Price students who came along for Taster Days on Wednesday. The curriculum areas were really impressed with the student's engagement and enthusiasm during their activities."

"The student's behaviour was fantastic, and it was lovely to see the change in their enthusiasm and positivity as the day went on. I really hope the day made a difference to them and has given them an insight into college life and the types of courses we offer."



































#### Year 8 & 9 Newton room visit Weston College – Friday 28th June

A small group of students were given the opportunity to visit Weston College, Southwest Skills Campus, who hosted a Newton Room offering practical education in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) for schools and colleges.

This is a mobile classroom with three table-topflight simulators that were used to teach students STEM (science, technology, engineering, and mathematics) concepts with a specific aviation theme.







#### Year 8 girls 'Women in STEM' Presentation – Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July

Year 8 girls were able to take part in this live virtual session to promote more girls taking STEM subjects and going into the IT and tech industries.

They heard from Rav Bumbra, Cajigo Founder and CEO, who has been working with CLF schools since 2018. As a result there has been phenomenal impact, with a 300% increase in girls choosing computer science and other tech subjects offered in CLF schools for GCSE.

Year 8 girls will be sent a recording of the session to watch again or for those who missed the session due to timetabling clashes.

You can also access information of Rav Bumbra and Cajigo by pasting the following into your browser: https://cajigo.com/





















# Year 10 Employability Day - Wednesday 10th July



Following on from hugely successful Work Experience week in March, Year 10 students spent a whole day taking part in a range of activities and workshops with a focus Apprenticeships on employability. This took place during the school day and was a wonderful opportunity to prepare them for their next steps, future careers, and the world of work.





**Bristol** Airport

We had an amazing range of employers and Post-16 providers who gave up their time and spent the day delivering various sessions and supporting interviews.











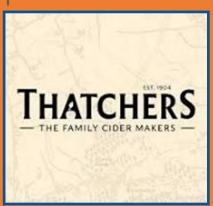
Amazing journeys start here































#### **Mock Interviews**

Our students experienced mock interviews, conducted by local employers, education and business leaders and representatives from Post-16 providers. All students completed at least one interview with most completing two more. Our visitors provided some amazing feedback and were very complementary of our students' performance during this activity. The students identified this session as one that had the biggest impact on their confidence and preparation to move onto their next steps in further education and work.

#### Student feedback:

"You can see how that directly relates to life and I was so much better in the second interview". - Isla

"It was a lot of fun. The interviews and the T-Levels were so good. They were the best". - Yasmin

"It was actually such a useful day. All of it was important. The interviews were great though because you get that 1:1 feedback". - Christian



All students also took part in the following workshops:



#### Ask Apprenticeships – CV writing.

Students made a start on their first CV with a template to continue.

**HSBC** – Money management, bank accounts, saving and borrowing. A valuable insight into personal finances.





















**Thatcher's Cider** – Marketing a product, an insight into the world of business and seeing how a local business with a global market creates a global brand.











**Avon and Somerset Police** – Police careers, social media awareness and your digital footprint. An opportunity to see the range of careers the Police offer, it is not just about policing! Also how your digital footprint and criminal activity can affect future employment.





















**Weston College – T-Level masterclass**, learning about this new qualification and the types of subjects on offer.































#### **CLF Battle of the Bands**



The evening of the 16th July saw 8 students representing HPA at the annual CLF Battle of the Bands, this year hosted at Central Academy Bristol.



#### The Loafs

#### Mayiah R - Freddie M - Ellie B

Second to perform with only moments to warm up in a sound check, the audience were in awe with The Loafs setting the standard for the evening. Mayiah's vocals were recognised and awarded with a certificate of excellence from a judging panel led by Steve Taylor CLF CEO.

#### **Electric Angels**

#### Charlotte B - Lily F - Jodie D - Lilly B - Izzy C

Performing 8th on the night, after a few nervous moments to start, the Year 8 band overcame their nerves to deliver a heartfelt and strong version of 'We fell in love in October' by Girl in Red. Miss Greer head of Music at HPA was most proud of the students, as the Electric Angels being the youngest band to perform on the night. Plans are already underway for next years competition.

Students interested in joining or forming a band for next year please do speak with Miss Greer or Mr Brown.

"Music is the universal language of mankind" Henry Wadsworth Longfellow





















#### **Year 8 Science Fair**



The Year 8 Science Fair took place on Thursday 11th of July.

After 6 weeks of hard work all students had the opportunity to present their projects in class followed by the winning team from each class presenting to the whole year group and judges.

Our fantastic judges included William Davies (CLF), Cristina Alava—Science Technician and Mrs Leatherby—Head of Clarus College.

The teams presented on a variety of topics from 'Bacteria around the schools', 'Flight of Paper Aeroplanes', to 'Crater size of asteroids'.

The winning teams were:

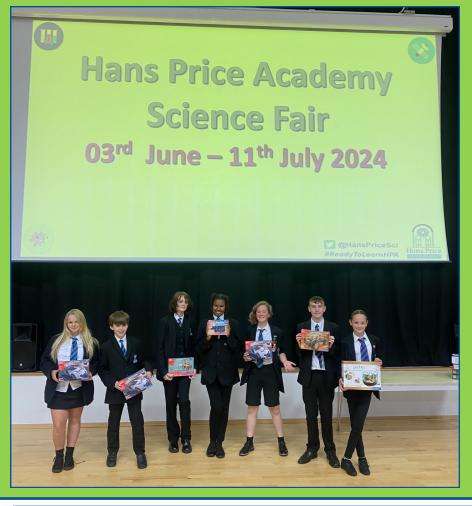
1st Place: How does music affect your mood? by Nevaeh, Zara and Nikki.

2nd Place: How Strong is Spaghetti? by Gabby and Kaelan.

3rd Place: Growing Bacteria on Strawberry DNA by Amber and Jayden.

Students listened attentively for two periods, were wonderfully behaved and gave fantastic

feedback.







#### **Year 11 Prom**



On the 3rd of July we celebrated Prom with our Year 11s at The Batch Country House. It was lovely to see students reunited for the final time, and in such a beautiful setting. The weather was on our side and the rain stayed away - no make up smudged or hair ruined! The students looked fantastic and so grown up! It was a pleasure to spend the evening with them, as they truly deserve a good send off! The dance floor was very busy all night and they certainly loved the tunes!

We are pleased to announce our Prom King and Queen voted on the night were Amelia and Nikolay. They embraced the fun of it and were good sports.

This was the first time we held the Prom at The Batch, and they were so impressed with our students, saying we were the best school they have hosted. Lovely feedback for lovely bunch!

#### Mrs Holland



















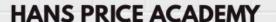






#### **HPA Parent Forum**

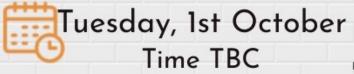




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#### **Breakfast Club**







# START 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



















# **Library News**







Accelerated Reader is the system we use to encourage, track and reward reading at Hans Price Academy in Years 7 and 8. When students finish a book they log into their account and take a short quiz on the book. This tracks the books they read, indicates understanding and calculates their word count.

#### **Highest Word Count (Words Read)**

Highest Word Count (Words Read)				
	College	Year	Word Count	
Beth N	Mando	7	4,486,721	
Joshua C	Fortis	7	3,099,061	
Jewel J	Acer	7	3,034,243	
Eva H	Acer	8	2,635,411	
Izzy B	Mando	7	2,544,060	
Gracie E	Clarus	7	2,418,077	
Julietta S	Mando	7	1,719,787	
Liam D	Clarus	7	1,659,489	
Alana J	Acer	7	1,633,346	
Amelia J	Fortis	7	1,500,212	
Yani G	Clarus	7	1,460,835	
Henry L	Fortis	7	1,445,298	
Eddie H	Fortis	7	1,423,950	
Izzy A	Clarus	7	1,412,724	
Monty D	Fortis	7	1,378,155	
Lilly L	Mando	7	1,376,200	
Nevaeh C	Fortis	8	1,372,385	
Emilia D	Acer	7	1,321,436	
Tilly P	Acer	7	1,312,859	
Elliot C	Clarus	8	1,275,633	

#### **Top Quizzers (Books Finished)**

	College	Year	Quizzes
Faaizah O	Clarus	8	187
Freddie B	Clarus	7	149
Klouise R	Mando	7	100
McKenzie R	Mando	8	80
Oliver Y	Clarus	7	79
Ronnie R	Mando	7	77
Louise F	Mando	7	73
Lilly L	Mando	7	70
Phoebe P	Mando	7	69
Jarvis D	Fortis	7	66
Jewel J	Acer	8	63
Luke I	Clarus	7	63
Seth N	Mando	7	60
Gracie E	Clarus	7	59
Beth N	Mando	7	59
Yani G	Clarus	7	57
Elliot N-H	Mando	7	56
Reuben H	Clarus	7	54
Liam D	Clarus	7	52
Davids M	Fortis	7	52

The Reading Cup is a big part of the College competition with points available for highest word count and successful quizzes on finished books.

There are also achievement badges for students who read over one million words or pass over fifty quizzes. Our Word Millionaires and Gold Level Quizzers can wear these badges on their blazers and receive bonus points for the College Cup.

College Totals	Words Read	Quizzes
Acer	29,314,637	1,498
Clarus	27,995,632	2,056
Fortis	30,101,999	1,512
Mando	37,337,463	2,323
	124,749,731	7,389



















# PE@HPA





The Year 7/8 Dodgeball team representing the academy at the British Schools Dodgeball Championships University of Nottingham. Students qualified earlier in the year in the regional qualifiers.

Earlier this month we took a group of students to The Cooper Associates ground to watch Somerset vs Warwickshire for Somerset cricket club's annual 'Schools Day'. We would like to thank the Somerset Cricket Foundation for supplying us with 30 free tickets, it was a great day out and the students had the treat of being able to go on to the playing area outfield at lunch.























# **Sports Day**



Sports day was a massive success. Students competed in various events throughout the day which included all the traditional athletics events such as, long jump, high jump, discus, javelin, shot put, 100m, 200m and 300m. Students also had the chance to take part in other activities such as football, dodgeball, Just Dance, team building and more! All the points from every event will be collated and the results revealed in the end of term assembly. Special thanks to the PE team for putting on an excellent event as always.









Mr Esch held the annual quiz at sports day! We had lots of renditions of singing Sweet Caroline.





















#### **Year 9 Scientists**



"For the past few weeks, we have been studying ecosystems. During our science lessons we have been exploring our playground; identifying ecosystems and plant species which live in our school grounds. We have used all the plants we identified to create food chains which show how different organisms have adapted to life in the school environment."

By Megan Y, Megan H (Year 9)

































## **Parenting Groups**



# 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 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 children's

centres





















## **Parenting Groups**



#### North Somerset Council

# North Somerset 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























# **General Information**



# Ear Piercing

If your child is considering having their ears pierced, the summer holidays is the best time. This allows plenty of healing time and enables your child to take part fully in practical PE from the start of September. Piercings always need to be removed for PE.



# Lost Property



Our selection of lost property items will be displayed in reception on the last full week of term. Please encourage your child to come and have a look. Parents are also welcome to come in straight after school. Any items not collected will be taken to the charity shop on 22nd/23rd July.



# Exam Invigilators

We are looking to recruit 10 Exam Inviglators. Applications need to be made via the CLF website here: https://accesspeople.accessacloud.com/CabotLearningRecruitment/

Home/Vacancy?id=1936&returnurl=/CabotLearningRecruitment/

If you have any queries about the role please email iain.milford@clf.uk

















