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HPA Newsletter



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Welcome



Welcome to our final newsletter of the academic year. This newsletter is a bumper edition with so much to celebrate!

We were thrilled to welcome our new Year 7 students during their "Big Step" induction week. They settled in remarkably quickly and embraced every opportunity with enthusiasm. It is already clear that they are developing a strong sense of belonging within their College and the wider Hans Price community.

This term brought us a fantastic Sports Day and Sports Awards Evening. Both events were full of energy, inclusivity, and community spirit. It was wonderful to see students celebrating each other's successes, with students taking great pride in their College and individual achievements.

We also celebrated our second musical in as many years! "Rock of Ages" was a heartwarming performance with a cast of committed students and staff. I am extremely proud of their hard work this year.

This week we find out which College wins the all-important College Cup. Will Clarus defend their title, or will another College rise to the top? Keep an eye on our Facebook and Instagram pages at the end of term to find out!

As another year draws to a close, I feel incredibly proud and privileged to lead such a vibrant and respectful school community. Our students continue to embody the Hans Price values every day, and the mutual respect between staff and students is something truly special. Your support, along with the unwavering commitment from our staff, is crucial as we strive to deliver an exceptional experience for your child every day.

We cannot wait to welcome everyone back in September refreshed and Ready to Learn. Until then, I wish you all a safe and happy summer break.

Mr Esch

IMPORTANT DATES:

Tuesday 22nd July:	End of academic year—students finish at 12.45pm
Thursday 21st August:	GCSE Results Day 10am-12pm
Monday 1st September:	INSET Day
Tuesday 2nd September:	INSET Day
Wednesday 3rd September:	Term 1 begins
Wednesday 17th September:	Year 7 and 9 Photos Year 11 individual Photos
Thursday 25th September:	Open Evening
Friday 17th October:	Year 11 Group Photo



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Lands End to Hans Price

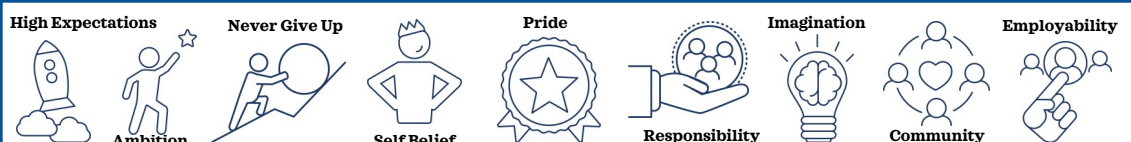


Six of our staff from Hans Price Academy cycled from Lands End back to Weston-super-Mare on what was the hottest weekend of the year so far!

Mr Holland, Mr Macaulay, Mr Bryant, Mr Brown, Mr Edy and Dr Watts cycled 213 miles in tropical weather over Saturday 12th and Sunday 13th July. They rode for the fun of it but also to raise vital funds for Weston Hospice Care.

It was a very hot ride but teamwork and good spirits got them round. They were supported by Miss Greer, Teacher of Music at Hans Price and Mr Hooper from Winterstoke Hundred Academy.

They managed to raise over £2000 for the Hospice.



CLF Big Dance Festival



This term a selection of our Year 10 Dance students were given the opportunity to perform as part of the CLF Big Dance Festival held at City Academy in Bristol. The event showcased performances from across the Trust from Primary through to Post-16 with a focus on street dance styles.

Hans Price students, selected as a recognition of their dedication and efforts to their period 7 lessons throughout the year were a testament to the Academy. They shone through with their high energy, team spirit and great facial expressions!



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Year 10 Employability Day



This month, all Year 10 students had a dedicated "Employability Day". Following the experience and knowledge gained from Work Experience, this was a whole day where Year 10 students could further explore the world of work and the skills and knowledge to set them up for their time beyond Hans Price Academy. We had over 40 guests, supporting and delivering sessions on the day including:



- Mock interviews and feedback from local business leaders and further education leaders
- A taster of T-Level qualifications available at Post-16
- HSBC banking workshops to better understand money management, personal banking, credit cards and tax.
- A workshop from the Thatchers Marketing Team on product design, creation and advertisement
- A team building and strategy session with the British Army
- A careers team session with Bristol Robins Foundation where students worked together to develop and pitch a product

Throughout the day, session leaders remarked on how enthusiastic, engaged and capable our students were. They threw themselves into every session and had hugely positive reflections on the day.

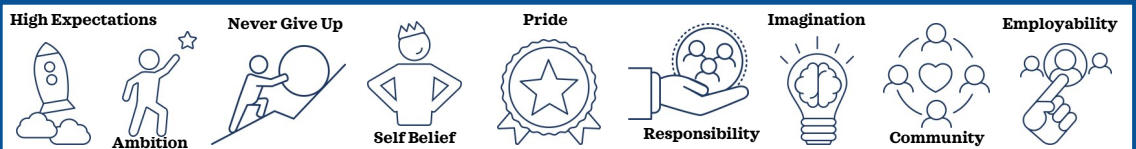
Harry Naylor, Community Constituency Officer, Dan Alldridge MP; "Some really great conversations and so many did really well. I enjoyed chatting to them and seeing their growth through the interview."

Lisa Pearce, Bridgwater College; "Lovley students, they all deserve recognition for today. Polite and well turned out. Thank you for inviting me."

Andy Evans, Case Officer, Dan Alldridge PM; "Brilliantly run event, thanks you for having me."



Weston College staff, "Your students are great and a credit to your school"



Year 10 Employability Day



Some highlights about individual students from the mock interviews included:

- 'Left me speechless, awesome young man!'
- 'Driven, enjoyable, articulate, polite and ambitious'
- 'Very intuitive, bright and confident, a pleasure to talk to'
- 'Very talented and speaks very passionately'
- 'Friendly and resilient, interviewed very well'
- 'Really passionate and clear ambition to do well'
- 'Very interesting young person, very engaging and spoke eloquently about mental health and psychology'
- 'Pleasure to talk to, very polite, great values, answered perfectly'



Our students also had great feedback on the day remarking on how valuable it was to take part in mock interviews and how much their confidence has improved through it as they eagerly shared their feedback with each other and with staff.

- "The interviews were the best bit because I've never done one and was so scared and didn't think I could do it but I actually got great feedback and was so much better by my second go. I think I would have got the job if it was real!"
- "I actually think I liked the banking one best because I didn't really know about credit cards and debt. That's real stuff."
- "The Army one was so good. It was good to be outside and moving as it helped me focus but it was also good to talk to the guys running it. I didn't know I could be a leader like that."



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Battle of the Bands



On Thursday 3rd July a group of 8 Year 10 students took a trip to Bristol to compete in the annual CLF Battle of The Bands. The students have spent months preparing both in their lessons and also in their own time.

Two bands competed in the event; The Sticks, performed Somebody Told Me by the Killers, and Bloom performed Aerials by System of a Down.



With what was a very tight and competitive evening, with a range of performers and genres of a very high standard, we are excited to announce that Hans Price Academy came away with 3 awards.

Congratulations to:

- Sid. B for receiving an honourable mention for his amazing guitar playing.
- Emma. G for winning the Bassist of the Night for her outstanding performance.
- The band, Bloom, who walked away champions after winning the night!

Thanks to Bloom's victory this year, we look forward to hosting the event next year and welcoming you all in 2026!



Again, congratulations to our competitors!

Bloom: Tristan. T, Sid. B, Freddie. B, Poppy. R and Freddie. M

The Sticks: Laura. M, Emma. G, Edie. B and Sid. B



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Year 8 Science Fair



Year 8 students displayed their science knowledge at the Hans Price Academy Science Fair this month.

Finalists from each Year 8 science class gave their science fair project presentations in front of a team of judges and the rest of Year 8. They showed great resilience and confidence speaking to so many people.

Dr Watts, Second in Science said "The quality of the presentations and projects are getting better and better each year. Everyone who presented should be very proud of themselves."

The winners were:

- ◇ First place: Windmills by Lam B, Jack L, Will P and Archie B
- ◇ Second place: Cleaning products by Nell B, Lianna H and Gracie W
- ◇ Third place: Seagulls at the beach by Coby E, Max E and Seth N

The other finalists were Aalyiah D, Georgie E, Tilly P, Logan B, Oliver Y, Seb K, Zeb J, James K, Elliot N-H, Arthur B, Jacob S, and Bella S.



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New Textiles Club

This month we have launched a new Textiles Club for KS3 students.
Please see Mrs Stringer for more information.



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 the reading happening day-to-day in lessons that cannot 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	6,224,857
Tia S	Clarus	7	4,370,063
Alex J	Clarus	7	4,311,242
Beth N	Mando	8	3,230,190
Emilia D	Acer	8	2,879,510
Joshua C	Fortis	8	2,725,258
Melodie R	Acer	7	2,549,010
Robert B	Fortis	7	2,509,814
Antoni S	Clarus	7	2,478,947
Darcie P	Mando	7	2,340,492
Lilly L	Mando	8	1,965,051
Evelyn C	Fortis	7	1,917,686
Zain O	Mando	7	1,824,343
Jacob D-H	Fortis	7	1,849,977
Zofia K	Mando	7	1,589,773

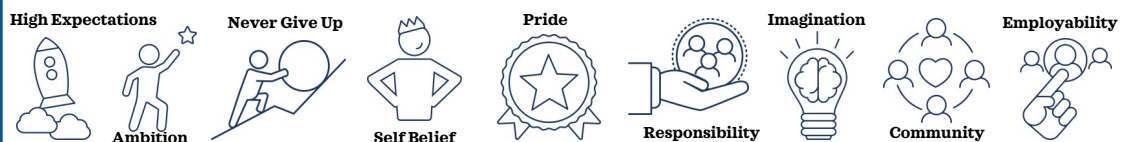
Top Quizzers (Books Finished)

Name	College	Year	Quizzes
Yuna B	Mando	7	200
Paige G	Mando	7	129
Charlie B	Clarus	7	106
Robert B	Fortis	7	102
Tia S	Clarus	7	85
Alex J	Clarus	7	82
Antek F	Fortis	7	68
Safyre M	Acer	8	65
Oliver J	Acer	7	65
Antoni S	Clarus	7	58
Melodie R	Acer	7	57
Ronnie R	Mando	8	56
Kaitlyn K	Acer	8	53
Riley G	Fortis	7	53
Salam A	Fortis	8	53



Here are the college results at the start of Term 6. The college names and order have been hidden so we do not spoil the College Cup results on the last day of term! 800 points up for grabs!

College Totals	Words Read YTD	Quizzes Passed		500,000 +	Millionaires	Multi- Millionaires	50+ Quizzes	100+ Quizzes
		YTD						
?????	25,024,019	1440		19	5	2	4	0
?????	28,838,216	1774		12	7	1	6	1
?????	30,015,498	1598		12	5	3	5	1
?????	40,780,601	2140		19	9	3	7	2
	124,658,334	6,952		62	26	9	22	4



Book Buying Trip



This year has seen so much ambition and effort poured into reading across the Academy. A few students who have particularly excelled in their reading, whether that was evident in the amount they read, improvements in their reading or their effort in reading and intervention lessons, were invited on a trip to buy new books for the library for all students to enjoy.

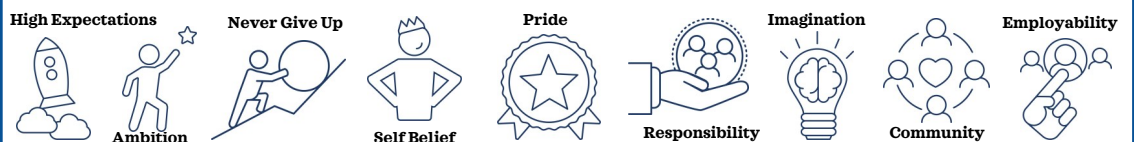


We went to WHSmiths in Weston and students were given a budget and a challenge to buy books that they thought other students would enjoy.

The students managed their budgets perfectly and spent every penny! Staff at WHSmith (and members of the public) commented on how knowledgeable, polite and enthusiastic they were. They bought a brilliant range of books, which we returned to HPA to add to our library shelves. After the students on the trip took their number one choices home to read first, of course!



New Books (As chosen by students)!



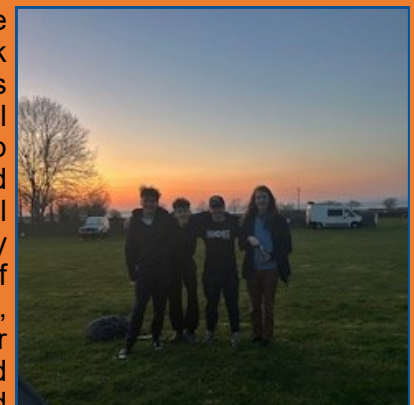
Duke of Edinburgh Award



It has been a full, fun packed year for our DofE students. We had good numbers signing up for the Bronze award in Year 9 and the Silver award in Year 10. Well over 1000 hours of volunteering were completed by both groups over the course of their activities for the section which is an amazing achievement and only benefits our community. 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 Watts and Miss Greer joining us with the Bronze group this year who were very welcome additions to the team. All the teams made their way from Burrington over to Cheddar where their campsite, Petruth Paddocks, is located and then Cheddar to Loxton for day 2. The weather was kind to them for day 1 and thankfully it was still warm! It was a total contrast for day 2 though, where they 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 meals from scratch. The enthusiasm shown, despite how tough some students found it, was amazing.

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 towards the camp for night 2. 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 the 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 at Steart Marsh, they made their way over to Holford where we stayed at the campsite of Moorhouse Farm. Day 2, the groups made their way over the hills, making stops at Crowcombe, heading towards Triscombe 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 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 Fyne Court, Broomfield, taking in the sights along the way. Over all, a really successful expedition for the groups and tremendous effort put in by all.

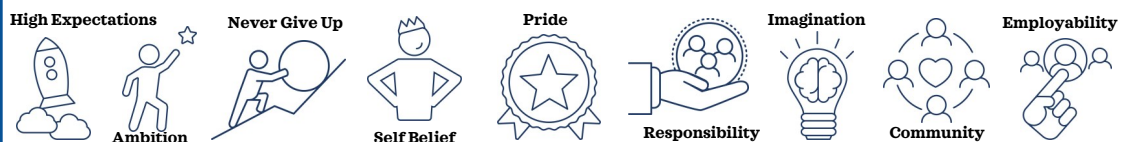


This year, we were able to utilise our new resident assessors for the Bronze and Silver expeditions, Ms Fensome our Cover Supervisor and Mr Edy, teacher of DT. It was great to have them both on board with us this year.

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 participants.

Mrs Cox and Miss Green



South Bristol Youth Trips



On the 11th July the South Bristol Youth group went on a lovely trip to Explore Bristol. We had a very busy train journey, where the students got to experience what it would be like to commute to the city from Weston-Super-Mare. Once onboard we had a talk from Network Rail then we embarked on the taxi boats around the Harbourside. We had a lovely hot ride in the sun and cruised around the city sites. This took us to ZaZa Bazzar, where the students filled their tummies until they could eat no more! We then took the taxi boat back to the train station and in true commuter style, our train was delayed as we returned to Weston!



On the 14th July we had our last trip of the year which was a celebration event for the students. This was to celebrate their participation on the South Bristol Youth programme and completing the course. We enjoyed lots of cake and parents were also invited to celebrate with us. We enjoyed seeing all the pictures taken throughout the year to see what the students had experienced. The students have been a pleasure to work with all year and I will miss them! Thanks to the Year 9 cohort for being great and fully taking part in all activities! We go again next year with the new Year 9 cohort.



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Rock of Ages Musical



On the 16th and 17th July we had our school musical 'ROCK OF AGES'. The cast and crew have been rehearsing for over 100 hours since November and all 3 of their shows were an absolute triumph. The show is a juke box musical with some of the great hits from the 80s including, 'The Final Countdown', 'Hit Me With Your Best Shot' and 'Don't Stop Believing'. The show is based in Los Angeles where Sherrie and Drew aspire to become popular singers. As they try to make a name for themselves, they struggle to hold on to their friendship. It is a real feel good musical with over 20 singing and dance numbers.

The cast were incredible and so talented in their performances. Our set was amazing and we were brilliantly supported by a tech team of 6 students from KS3. The tech was provided by alumni student Koby and his fantastic company KTA Productions. We are always so grateful for the incredible work he does to support our shows. Thanks to everyone who supported this show. We look forward to seeing you at the October Talent show. Rock of Ages over and out!



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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

Fin W (5), Daisy A (5), Alesha T (5), Ahmed I (5), Rosie L-J (15), Louie S (15), Alfie F (20), Esmae T (20), Theodora O (20), Alexia C (20), Amadou J (20), Ella-Mae H (20), Lucy A (20), Bettie-Mae D (20), Ezri L (20), Maria B (20), James B (20), Dougie L (20), Savannah K (20), Alba A (20), Olivia L (20), Livvy B (20), Ellis L (20), Max T (25), Marshall P (25), Zain O (25), Jacob D-H (25), Ahmet A (25), Zofia K (30), Maisy M (35), Anvi B (35), Frankie O (40), Darius M (65), Charlie B (105)

Year 8

Luke I (10), Lilly G (15), Yoshi H (15), Thomas W (20), Ronnie R (20), Rostylav C (25), Priya W (25), Kyron D (30), Alex A (30), Louise F (30), Elliot N-H (30), Leo C (35), Maci-Rae B (35), Ari D (35), Autumn M (35), Seth N (35), Archie B (35), Khloe M (40), Phoebe P (40), Lacey-Bowe I (40), Cooper D (40), Nell B (40), Scarlett H (40), Monty D (40), Rose C-L (50), Kelcey G-T (60), Olivia B (60), Denise D (60), Chloe C (75), Kaitlyn K (85), Kyati K (435)

Year 9

Ala K (5), Ellie B (10), Victor F (10), Tyler B (10), Shaylen C (10), Amelia L (15), Harry G (20), Ali A (25), Darren M (25), Lauren P (25), Ruby B (30), Haithem F (35), McKenzie R (35), Ola H (35), Jamie B (35), Fay G (40), Toby H-T (40), Sydney S (45), Daniel G (45), Bolly K (45), Beau D-C (50), Weronica O (50), Isabelle V (50), Finley F (50), Aase C (50), Sammy M (50), Kaelan M (50), Charlotte M (50), Amy B (50), Ashleigh K (50), Emelia S (50), Rocco G (55), Freddie H (55), Bella F-M (55), Evie B (55), Ethan W (55), Jacob R (55), Franek K (55), Kirk G-V (55), Megan C (55), Adam J (55), Jess W (60), Lewis P (60), Adrian S (60), Alisha C (60), Harmoni S (65), Amy-Natta D (65), Konstantin K (95)

End of Year Leaderboards

Year 7 Leaderboard	
Charlie B	Level 105
Riley G	Level 73
Darius M	Level 65

Year 8 Leaderboard	
Kytati K	Level 435
Olivier N	Level 296
Klouise R	Level 164

Year 9 Leaderboard	
Faaizah O	Level 219
Bailey Y	Level 106
Kieran S	Level 98



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Au Revoir from Madame Cox



As I prepare to retire from my life as a teacher, I want to take a moment to express my deepest gratitude to each of you. Over the years, I have had the privilege of working with many wonderful young people, and it has been a great honour to be a part of their journey through secondary school.

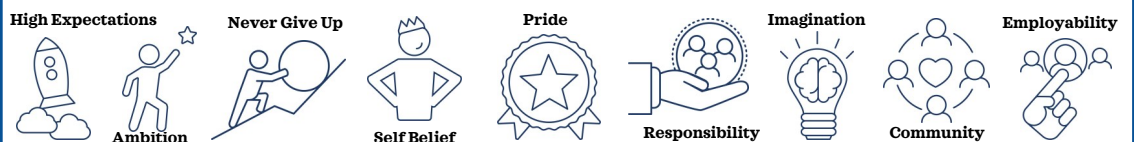
For me, teaching was a calling. I decided that I wanted to be one at age 14 and although there have been some challenging times, I can honestly say that I would never have changed a thing. When I qualified in 1987 in Galway, I could never have envisaged that my journey would end in Weston-super-Mare, but I am so grateful that it did. Watching your children grow, learn, and discover their own paths has been incredibly rewarding. Their energy, creativity, and resilience have inspired me every day.

Wyvern School (now Hans Price) holds so many dear memories and our students have found success in many different pathways; some are now my colleagues. I have loved encountering former students at parents' evenings and school events and hearing about how they are doing. The school is now, a very changed environment, not just in name and building. I leave a very strong and over-subscribed Hans Price Academy, a school that I am so proud of and a school that has a great reputation locally and further afield.

Though I will miss the daily rhythm of school life and the chance to engage with young minds, I leave with a heart full of fond memories and the confidence that your children will continue to thrive in the capable hands of Mr Esch and the whole staff.

Thank you once again for the privilege of teaching your children. I wish you and your families all the very best for the future.

Madame Cox









Helping Students Stay Safe on Social Media



Guidance for Parents & Carers of 11–16-Year-Olds

At Hans Price Academy, we are committed to supporting our students' wellbeing, both in and out of school. With the growing use of social media and video chat apps among young people, it is important that families and schools work together to promote safe, respectful, and healthy digital habits.

Popular Social Media & Video Chat Apps

	App	What it does	Risks to be aware of	Minimum age
	Snapchat	Sends photos/videos that disappear	Location sharing, pressure to reply instantly	13+
	TikTok	Watch & create short videos	Exposure to harmful content, private messaging	13+
	Instagram	Share pictures, stories, go live	FOMO (fear of missing out), body image issues, strangers contacting	13+
	WhatsApp	Private and group chats, video calls	Limited parental controls, unfiltered group chats	16+
	Discord	Chat in groups (servers), video chat	Inappropriate content, contact with strangers	13+
	OME.TV	Random video chat with strangers	No age checks, adult content	18+



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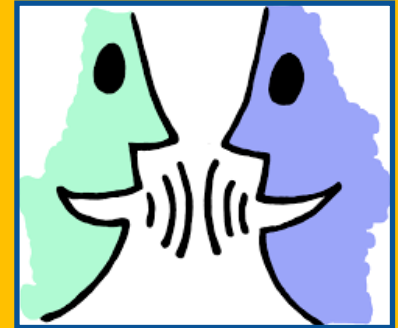
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Talk, Don't Just Monitor

Open conversation is the most powerful tool you have. Try asking:

- “What apps do your friends use most?”
- “Have you ever seen anything online that worried you?”
- “Do you know how to block or report someone?”



These conversations build trust and teach your child how to be responsible online.

Safety Tips for Home

- Review privacy settings together regularly.
- Encourage thinking before sharing — “Would I be OK if a teacher or grandparent saw this?”
- Limit screen time, especially before bed.
- Discuss online reputation — once it's online, it can be permanent.
- Encourage reporting — either to the platform, the school, or the police if needed.

You're Not Alone

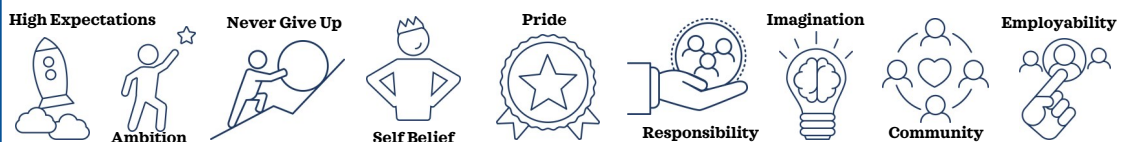
Even the most switched-on young people need guidance. If you're unsure about an app or a situation, here are some great resources:

- childnet.com
- internetmatters.org
- nspcc.org.uk/onlinesafety

Let's Work Together

By staying engaged and informed, we can help every student at Hans Price Academy use technology to connect, learn, and thrive — safely.

If you have any concerns or need advice, please contact the Pastoral or Safeguarding Team at the Academy. Safeguarding@hpa.clf.uk



Safeguarding in the Summer Holidays



External Services - Student Support July 2025

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

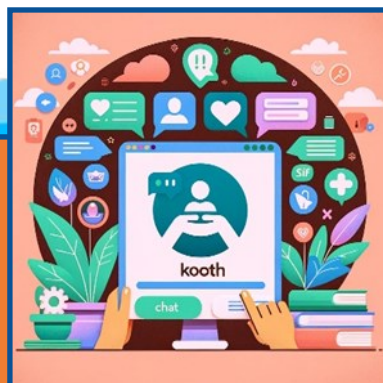
Want to learn more about Kooth? [Check out their FAQs for parents and carers.](#)

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



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Barnardo's:

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



Great website – packed
with advice and helplines.

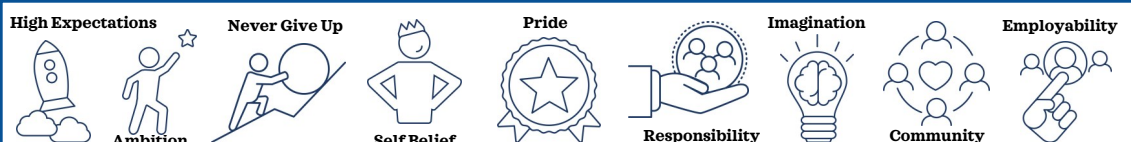
Please visit

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.



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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: **0800 1111** 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.



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Chat Health

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, Miss Davis and Mrs Phippen



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Railway Line Safety



From special journeys to everyday commutes, the rail network helps get us where we need to be. Even if we're not travelling, the railway is switched on 24/7 and we need to be switched on to the risks the rail environment can pose. There are 20,000 miles of track, 30,000 bridges, tunnels and viaducts plus thousands of signals, level crossings and stations across our rail network.

There are more than 13,000 trespass incidents on the tracks every year. The railway lines that run through the Weston area have multiple level crossings. The only safe time to drive over a level crossing is when the alarm has stopped sounding and the barriers are fully raised. It is illegal and dangerous to cross the tracks when the barriers are down. You could get seriously harmed and potentially electrically shocked, and even though it appears that a train isn't in sight that could change quickly.

Throwing obstructions onto the line is also illegal and highly dangerous. Although this may seem like a bit of harmless fun it can have serious consequences. From causing severe delays to people's journeys to potentially causing a very serious train accident. It's also likely that this dangerous behaviour will be caught on CCTV, which could mean a fine or a custodial sentence.



Railway Line Safety

Do you know your Railway safety signs?



This is an advanced warning, instructing level crossing users, including emergency vehicles, that they must stop when the lights show as a train is due to pass over the crossing.



You can't go further than this sign as it could be dangerous.



You must pay attention to the lights. Stop means a train is on its way. You should wait for the light to turn green before crossing the tracks. You will see this sign at some footpath or bridleway level crossings or private vehicle crossings.



A phone is nearby to use in case of emergency, and also to obtain permission to cross. At a level crossing. But be aware that if there isn't an emergency phone, there will always be a number you can call in an emergency.



This indicates that there is a level crossing ahead that uses either automatic barriers or gates operated manually by railway staff.



That the level crossing in front of you does not have a barrier or gates. You must Stop, Look and Listen in order to ensure it is safe to cross the tracks. At a level crossing where there is no barrier. These types of level crossings are usually found in rural areas where cars have to give way to trains.



Sun Safety



At Hans Price Academy we take sun safety very seriously and want to remind students and staff to protect themselves from the sun's harmful ultra-violet rays during the summer months. There are five simple rules to follow:

Slip on a protective clothing



Slop on Factor 50 sunscreen



Slap on a hat



Slide on some quality sunglasses



Seek out some shade

Sunscreen needs to be applied at home before the day starts but will also need to be re-applied during the morning and afternoon for it to be effective, especially if you are lucky enough to be splashing around in some warm seas or participating in water sports. Remember to apply correct coverage to all skin areas which are likely to be exposed to the sun. Most creams have a shelf life of around two years, so please check your expiry dates. When buying sunscreen, you will need to look for at least a sun protection factor (SPF) of 30 and a Ultraviolet Radiation (UV) of at least 4 star.

It is advised by the NHS to follow the sun protection rules of 'Slip, Slop, Slap, Slide and Seek' from 1st April until 30th October, even on cloudy days. You can check the UV forecast on a regular occasion for an indication of how strong the sun is predicted to be. Any UV levels higher than a level 3 will require protection.

45% of all UV skin damage occurs before the age of 20. You can burn in the UK even on cloudy days! Teenage Cancer Trust state that 'Skin cancer is the second most common cancer amongst young adults, getting painful sunburn twice a year can triple your chances of being diagnosed. Two young adults are diagnosed with skin cancer every day in the UK.'

We want you to be outdoors enjoying the fresh air during the summer months, but please do it in a safe manner and protect yourself from the sun and always keep yourself hydrated.



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Water Safety



The Royal Life Saving Societies biggest campaign, Drowning Prevention Week took place between 15th-22nd June. Living in a seaside town and with Marine Lake being a popular attraction it is so important for families to be educated in water safety. No child should drown, and with the right water safety education – such as knowledge of the Water Safety Code – accidental drownings are preventable.

46% of drownings occur in the summer months and this rises to 75% amongst 13-17 year olds. Rivers and lakes pose the greatest statistical risk as there is a lack of professional supervision.

Accidents are mostly preventable with the correct knowledge. Here are some tips for staying safe in the water this summer.



Is the area safe? Think about potential hazards - too deep, too shallow, currents, tides, underwater objects?

Enter slowly and carefully and never jump from heights.

Are you a good swimmer? Think carefully about your ability to splash or swim in cold outdoor water. 49% of those who lose their life were classified as swimmers.

Research local information, conditions, read local signs and speak to the lifeguards.

Never use inflatables in open water - although they look fun, inflatable water toys can quickly get caught in the wind or blown out to sea.

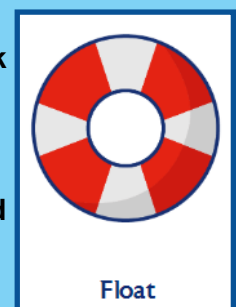
Supervision - over 70% of fatal accidents occur in the absence of professional supervision. **Seek lifeguarded areas** and always make sure someone is available to raise the alarm.

Don't go too far - enter the water slowly, stay within reach, stay within a standing depth and **always be supervised**.



Call 999 - ask for the fire and rescue service when inland and coastguard if at the coast. **Do not enter the water to help**. Be sure everyone knows who to call in an emergency. If you are abroad be sure to know the correct number to call.

If you fall in or become tired - **stay calm, float on your back and call for help**. Throw something that floats to somebody that has fallen in.



Make sure the whole family knows basic water safety and what to do if they find themselves in the water unexpectedly.



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HAF Programme



If your child receives benefits related free school meals, they are entitled to free HAF days. Children can take part in indoor and outdoor activity days between Monday 28th July and Friday 22nd August. Visit the [How to book HAF activities page](#) or www.n-somerset.gov.uk/my-services/benefits-support/other-benefits-support/holiday-activities-food-haf-programme to find out more.

Free bus travel will be available for all children and young people under the age of 16 throughout the school summer holidays, within North Somerset and the West of England. No registration or bus pass needed - they can just hop on board for free from Saturday 19 July to Friday 5 September

If food and money-saving is a concern during the summer holidays, Money Saving Central has also updated its list of places where children can eat for free or just £1 (<https://moneysavingcentral.co.uk/kids-eat-free>). Please also check out the food support pages on North Somerset Council website.

Free arts and craft activities for all ages will also take place every Monday afternoon during the school summer holidays in Grove Park, Weston-super-Mare. Sessions organised by the Friends of Grove Park, take place from 1pm-3pm each Monday, from 29 July. (<https://www.facebook.com/events/985568533187259>)

Magic, music and comedy can be had at a **free family fun day** (<https://www.facebook.com/events/462752756208315>) in Weston-super-Mare on **Thursday 1 August**. The event, organised by North Somerset Play Forum, takes place in Clarence Park from 11am to 3pm.

Free family fun featuring live entertainment, inflatables, stalls, rides and more is coming to Weston-super-Mare on **Saturday 24 August. Summer Vibe** (<https://www.facebook.com/events/1675636553238478>), hosted by children's entertainer Action Pussycat, starts at 11am in the Italian Gardens.

ParkPlay will also take place in North Somerset parks every Saturday providing fun and free activities. ParkPlay (<https://www.betterhealthns.co.uk/information/parkplay/>) is all about building happier, healthier communities through the life-changing power of play. It's active and inclusive, so all generations can play together in a safe and welcoming space. Play and have fun with family and friends during these 90-minute sessions in Worle, Weston-super-Mare.

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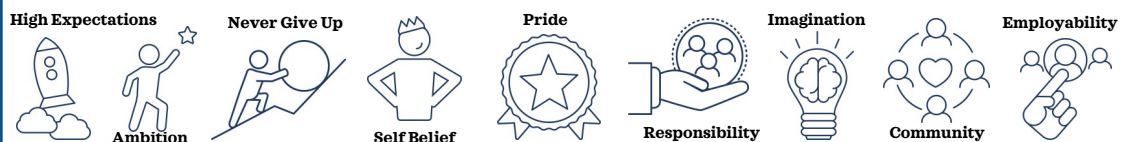


Careers and Post 16 Calendar



Provider	Event	Date	Information
Dan Aldridge Summer School	Summer Workshop	Thursday 31 st July & Friday 1 st August	To register, see the flyer on the next page for QR code.
Weston College	Preparing for Further Maths Workshop Year 9&10	Wednesday 13th August 9.30am - 2.30pm	To register: Weston College Further Maths Workshop
Bridgwater & Taunton College	Summer School Various subjects	Wednesday 20 th August 10am- 3pm	Booking Essential: Bridgwater & Taunton College Summer School
Weston College Southwest Skills Campus	Advice & Guidance Event 'Navigating your GCSE Results'	Thursday 21 st August 2pm-5pm	Weston College GCSE Advice & Guidance Event

If you would like any support with Year 11 Post-16 transition, applications or course choices, or have any questions about any of these events, please contact: Jackie Fielding, Careers Adviser, email: Jackie.Fielding@clf.uk or Direct Dial: (01934) 630836 ext.1340.



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Dan Aldridge MP

Summer School workshop

For students aged 14-18 (Year 9 onwards), a free 2-day workshop focusing on how politics, campaigning, technology, AI, creative arts, and social media are shaping our world.

Register interest here!

DAN ALDRIDGE MP

Summer School

10am - 5pm >> 31st July & 1st August >> The Grand Pier

- » Are you 14-18? Eager to make your mark on Weston and the world? Dan Aldridge's MP Summer School is for you!
- » Politics, campaigning, technology, AI, creative arts, social media - they're all shaping our world. Join our summer school to learn how to use them for good!
- » Discover new careers, hear inspiring talks, network with industry experts, local politicians, MPs, and global companies. The world is coming to Weston. Don't miss out!
- » To register your interest, use the QR code above!

DAN ALDRIDGE
Member of Parliament for Weston-super-Mare



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Are you over 16 and would like to work – but need a helping hand?

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Every Tuesday 9.30-12.30

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Tassomai



Should my child be doing Tassomai over the summer?

Tips for parents · 7 July 2025

*As the school year ends, many parents wonder whether their child should keep using Tassomai during the holidays. The short answer is: **yes!** While there are benefits to taking a break, there are also good reasons to keep up with those Daily Goals over the summer.*

When students take a long break from the regular school routine it's very common for them to **lose some of their base knowledge and for their understanding of a subject to erode slightly**. That erosion can make the return in September more of a challenge (for students and teachers alike) as lessons move forward but the foundations have weakened. This can dent confidence, waste valuable time, and ultimately affect outcomes.

Our recommendation? On **most weeks** (not all), completing Daily Goals on **most days** (not all) will be a huge benefit. This kind of light, habit-forming routine is helpful for all students, but particularly for those starting Year 11 in September.

That said, we know school can be tiring. **Rest and holidays matter**, and your child might feel they need a break from studying. In that case, consider agreeing a sensible middle ground. One of the great things about Tassomai is that it's quick and easy to jump back in at any time. You might want to encourage your child to **make the most of any long journeys** by completing a few quizzes while they are travelling.

Another good reason to keep going: letting go completely and allowing knowledge to fade can cause more stress come September than a few short, regular Tassomai sessions every other day. **Sustained, gentle practice helps everything stay familiar and manageable**.

Consider also that lots of other students are doing nothing in the holidays and falling behind. Tassomai gives your child a massive opportunity to **catch up, get ahead or stay ahead**. When GCSEs come around, these little advantages gained by sustained, gentle, regular practice can make all the difference to their final grade.



Keeping an eye on progress

We'll be pausing our weekly progress report emails over the summer holidays, but parents and guardians can [log in to the Parent Dashboard](#) at any time and see up to date stats on their learners' progress.



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Year 7 North Somerset Cricket Festival

The Year 7 boys performed brilliantly in this year's cricket tournament. They finished joint 1st with Worle and Winterstoke Hundred Academy, all 3 of the schools winning 2 out of 3 games. Hans Price beat Worle and Priory and narrowly lost to Winterstoke. For some of the HPA boys this was their first ever experience of hardball cricket which requires a high level of confidence. A shout out to the whole team, every player was outstanding.



Year 8 Dodgeball National Finals Day

The Year 8s made it to the national schools dodgeball finals day in Stoke on Trent where we ended up in the top 16 in the country.



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Professional Photos from the NFL Flag Finals Day

The NFL Flag team was kind enough to snap some of our students in action!



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Year 8 Cricket

The Year 8 cricket team had a fixture vs St Katherines school played at Lodway CC. It was an excellent game all round but we just came up 12 runs short. The top scorer was Alfie D with 31 runs.



Cricket Schools Day

We were lucky enough again to receive free tickets to Somerset's annual 'Schools Day' at the Cooper Associates Ground. The students again were allowed onto the playing field during the lunch break. The following students were selected based on their excellent attendance to extra curricular activities this academic year. The students demonstrated our school's values well all day and were a credit to the Academy.



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Sports Day



Tuesday 8th July marked one of our favourite days of the year — Sports Day! Blue skies greeted us as students arrived proudly sporting their college colours in a fantastic array of face paints, glitter, and smiles.

The morning was packed with energy and variety as students rotated through a range of activities, including football, dodgeball, Just Dance, team-building challenges, board games, and many more fun options.

After lunch, excitement grew as the colleges assembled for the grand parade to the field, ready for an afternoon of thrilling track events. The atmosphere was electric with cheers and chants as students rallied behind their teams.

Several long-standing records were broken, and it was a true joy to witness the incredible spirit of encouragement, teamwork, and healthy competition on display. A huge well done to all who took part and made the day such a success!



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Sports Awards Evening



On Thursday 10th July, we hosted our first annual Hans Price Academy Sports Awards, a fantastic evening that brought together over 200 students to celebrate their dedication, commitment, and achievements across a wide range of sports.

Every attending student received a commemorative pin badge in recognition of their hard work, and we were proud to present a number of special awards including Year Group Athlete of the Year, Sports Personality of the Year and Team of the Year.

A huge thank you goes to Miss Cole, Mrs Pignier, and the Hospitality and Catering team, who worked tirelessly in the heat to produce and serve an incredible selection of canapés for the evening.

Special thanks also to Koby Taylor and his team for the outstanding production on the night, and to the entire PE team, without their commitment and the hundreds of hours they dedicate each year, events like this simply wouldn't be possible.

We look forward to building on this success and continuing to celebrate the sporting excellence of our students in the years to come.



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Winners

Yr 7 Male Athlete of the Year	-	Oliver J
Yr 7 Female Athlete of the Year	-	Eleanor J
Yr 8 Male Athlete of the Year	-	Alex W
Yr 8 Female Athlete of the Year	-	Beth N
Yr 9 Male Athlete of the Year	-	Oskar V
Yr 9 Female Athlete of the Year	-	Fiyin F
Yr 10 Male Athlete of the Year	-	Alessio O
Yr 10 Female Athlete of the Year	-	Gracie V
Team of the Year	-	Yr 8 Basketball
Sports Personality Male	-	Alfie D
Sports Personality Female	-	Nell B



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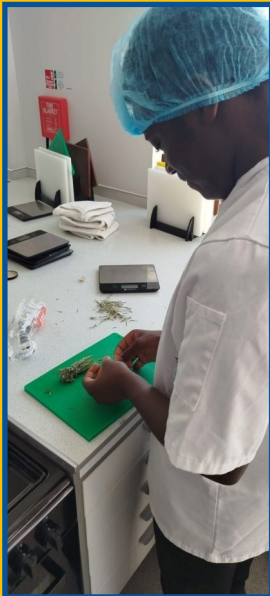
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Catering

The Sports Awards Evening was lucky enough to be catered by our own fantastic Miss Cole, Mrs Pignier and some of our hospitality and catering students and was absolutely delicious. Well done and thank you to all involved.



Breakfast Club



Hans Price **BREAKFAST CLUB**



START THE DAY RIGHT WITH BAGELS/TOAST & JAM

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

FREE - NO NEED TO SIGN UP - DAILY - 7.45AM—8.10AM



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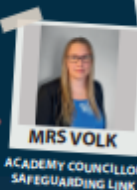
SAFEGUARDING IS EVERYONE'S RESPONSIBILITY

"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"

WIDER SAFEGUARDING TEAM



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