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Number 09

Week ending 11 Nov 2022

Next Week - Week 2

Attendance reporting procedures Please report children's absence by 08:30 each morning using our <u>online google form</u> which can also be found on the school website. This form should also be used to report future absence e.g. dentist appointments.

Building Works

Students will see scaffolding around the school until spring next year as work has begun on a significant project, funded by Herts County Council, to replace and insulate the school's flat roofs and skylights. This work also includes the large glass windows in the dining halls, kitchen and gymnasium (now the Dojo). The project has undergone extensive planning due to the school's listed status; all works will be sympathetic to the building whilst using the latest technology to be as energy efficient as possible, and will have a large impact on the reduction of heat loss across the school building. This is a very welcome step towards the school achieving our sustainability ambitions.

Careers

Year 7 HS2 Engineering Careers Event

This week 60 of our Year 7 students participated in the HS2 1-day engineering event and had great fun designing a train station of the future and constructing weight-bearing tunnels out of straws.

Hertfordshire Opportunities Careers Portal are offering two excellent virtual webinar events for students who may be pursuing either a career as a Chef or looking at careers in Cyber Security. More details can be found here.

On Monday 14 November, Young Professionals are hosting a virtual careers insight event with British Airways for students interested in roles in aviation including Pilots, Cabin Crew, Engineering and Digital careers. Registration details can be found <a href="https://example.com/her

On Tuesday 15 November, there is an opportunity for students to join international law firm Bird & Bird for a virtual careers event. Registration details can be found here.

LRC

Year 7 Book Bake Off Event

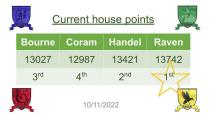
On Monday 14 November we are hosting our Year 7 Book Bake Off competition for students to create a cake in the shape of their favourite book. All cakes should be nut-free please and delivered to the LRC before registration. Could we please ask that all cake tins/boxes etc have the students name clearly marked. This event is always a highlight of the year and we are really looking forward to seeing all their creations with the prize giving taking place in the LRC at lunchtime. Ready, steady, bake!

Key Dates

- 20 Nov: ASA Craft Fair
- 21 Nov: Y11 Trial Exams Start
- 25 Nov: Occasional Day, School Closed
- 28 Nov: INSET Day, School Closed to Students

Next Week Lunch Menu - Week 3

House Points



Vacancies

- <u>Teacher of English (Full Time)</u>
- <u>Teacher of English (Part</u> Time)
- Teaching Assistant 18hrs
- Teaching Assistant 30hrs
- Finance Assistant 10hrs

Road Closure

Planned road works in Hilltop Road 14-16 Nov, please allow extra time when dropping off and picking up.

DSPL

Free Raise Resilience course, details can be found here.

Music Lessons

If you would like to register for music lessons, please click here. Any queries regarding music lessons please email musictuition@ashlyns.herts.s ch.uk

Year 7 Book Buzz Book Gift

To celebrate their first term at school, each Year 7 student recently had the opportunity to select a book gift from 17 different titles as part of the Book Buzz reading initiative. This week the books arrived and we've had great fun distributing the books to students during our English LRC lessons.

Assembly Theme

This week Mrs Kirk, Head of Humanities, has been exploring the theme of remembrance in assembly. This began and ended with remembrance of the soldiers of the FIrst World War, but also linked to modern conflicts, including the conflict in Ukraine. Some of her Year 9 students joined her and presented extremely well.

Maths Week England 14 - 18 November 2022

Students in Year 7 - 9 will be taking part in a maths themed Teacher Treasure Hunt throughout the week. There is an opportunity to be awarded merits as well as house points for the house with the most completed hunt sheets! All year groups are also welcome to come to a maths enrichment club at lunchtime on Wednesday 16th November in room 86. Spaces are limited and will be given on a first come first serve basis.

SEND survey

We have been asked to share Herts Parent Carer Involvement's annual SEND survey with parents and carers, which aims to find out the views of parents and carers of children and young people with SEND in Hertfordshire. The survey closes on Sunday and can be <u>accessed here</u>.

Safeguarding

Coerced online child sexual abuse - Help for parents (UK Safer Internet Centre)

To help parents understand this difficult topic and talk to their children, the UKSIC has produced a <u>checklist</u> and resources about online sexual abuse.

Sports Results

Y9A Netball vs KLS	Won 30-2
Y7B Boys Football vs NBS	Lost 3-2
U13 Table Tennis	Boys - Champions, Girls - Champions
Y11B and Senior Netball vs JFK	Y11 - Won, Senior - Lost
Y7A and Y7B Netball vs Abbot's Hill	7A - Won 11-9, 7B - Won 5-4
U14 Girls Football vs Hayden	Won 10-2
U12 Girls Football vs Didcot	Won 3-1
Y8B Boys Football vs Shenfield	Won 4-2
U15 District Table Tennis	Girls - Champions, Boys - 2nd
U18 Boys Football vs Rickmansworth	Won 5-1
Y7C, 8B and 9B Netball vs Adeyfield	7C - Lost 7-9, 8B - Won 11-6 9B - Lost 21-12

ASA News

Hamper & Tombola

We are continuing our collection of your wonderful donations for our Christmas Hamper Raffle and Festival of Light "Chocolate and Bottle" Tombola. Please see attached flyers that will give you all the details of our hamper themes and drop off addresses and remember donations can be dropped at the school office (No Alcohol at school).

Donations can also be left at the uniform stall at the Craft Fair.

Tickets are also now available to buy through Parent Pay or students can hand forms / payment (in a sealed envelope) into the school office.

CRAFT FAIR - Sunday 20th November - 11am-4pm
WE NEED YOU - Many slots still need filling - unless these are filled, we cannot run this event, one of our biggest fundraisers and back after a 2-year absence. Use the sign-up link. Thank you.

We also need donations of cakes/biscuits for the Craft Fair - you can drop off at school on Friday 18th, on Saturday 19th at 9 Birtchnell Close, or bring on Sunday morning to the Craft Fair. Please provide a list of ingredients with your donations. Thank you.

Good as new uniform and Christmas hamper raffle tickets - will be on sale at the Craft Fair.

Save the Date:

Cyclocross Event at Ashlyns School - Sunday 3rd December We will need volunteers to help on the refreshment stall,

Tooled Up at Ashlyns - resources from Dr Kathy Weston









It's children's book week

- book lists
- Mental health and wellbeing list
- list of reads which cultivate kindness
- puberty and growing up
- body boundaries, consent and healthy relationships
- racial diversity
- all kinds of families
- disabilities and neurodevelopmental differences.

Here are some more of our top pics:

- **Books that Feature Strong Female Characters**
- · Books About Autism for Parents, School Staff, Children and Young <u>People</u>
- Books to Help Children and Young People Learn about Money
- 20 Poetry Books for All Ages
- Books to Help Normalise Mistakes
- Exciting Books for 11-13 Year Olds

Do you think we're missing a book list on a critical topic? Please don't hesitate to get in touch and let us know, by emailing research@tooledupeducation.com.

and donations of cakes/biscuits.

Wreath Making Workshop at Ashlyns School - Friday 9th December (evening) look out for further details.