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Spring 2024



Finally, Spring is here, and it has certainly put a 'spring' in our steps as Team Hungerhill has once again had a jam-packed term! The school's pledge to a world class personal development programme is certainly evident with a live performance of Jekyll and Hyde, Road and Rail Safety presentations, the awarding of the Anti-Bullying Gold Charter Mark, over 50 enrichment clubs running and Student Leadership Opportunities with the newsletter zooming in on our Sports and Dance Leaders.

I am immensely proud of the students involved in the Brilliant Club and how they have engaged with the programme. They were treated to afternoon tea with me where they had an opportunity to talk about their experiences and their visit to the University of Leeds. I am equally immensely proud of our Sports and Dance Leaders who have been fantastic advocates for the school during the recent primary festivals. I have challenged staff and students that the Summer Term is equally as jam-packed ensuring we finish the year with a 'bang'! As always, thank you to parents/carers for their continued support and thank you for supporting the school to instil our core values in your children. Please have a restful Easter break, we look forward to welcoming staff and students back on 15 April.

Mrs Pond, Headteacher

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Opportunities Live Visit

On 7 March we took the majority of our Year student to the racecourse for 'Opportunities Live' which had over 100 different businesses and higher education providers for the students to interact with and ask questions about their future.

Jekyll and Hyde

Our Year 10 students were fortunate to have Swans Events in school on the 6th March to deliver a performance of Jekyll & Hyde - one of the texts they study for GCSE.

It was fantastic to see the story brought to life for our students and they were all enthralled by the innovative way in which the actors retold the plot! One of the students, Alex Owen raved that "I loved the way the actors managed to add humour to the play without taking away from the main story. The actors were able to portray multiple characters just between the two of them which was great!".

We can't wait to be able to share this with next year's Year 10 cohort!

Hungerhill Achieves Gold Anti-Bullying Award



At Hungerhill School, the Anti-Bullying Ambassadors have recently achieved the Anti-Bullying Gold Award. Over the past couple of years the Anti-Bullying Team, which consists of students and staff, have been working towards the Gold Award, after previously gaining the Bronze and Silver awards. We believe this award will encourage all students at Hungerhill to be the best version of themselves.

"I'm Matty, an Anti-Bullying Ambassador, and we have set up a safe space on Mondays and Fridays where students can come and speak about any worries that they have."

"Hi, I'm Riley, we've set up an email to help support students virtually, and I am part of the weekly checks to make sure all concerns are acted upon."

"Hi, I'm Jacob and as an Anti-Bullying Team we have weekly meetings to discuss concerns regarding bullying in the community."

"Hello there, I'm Madeline and I'm part of the Anti-Bullying Team here at Hungerhill. We have a worry box for students to privately post issues that they may be facing to do with bullying. This is checked at our weekly meetings."

"We are willing to give our time to help people struggling with bullying. We have supported people, encourage students and improve their wellbeing" - Millie





Brilliant Club

13 students across Years 9 and 10 were selected before Summer to work with the Scholar's Programme on the Brilliant Club. This experience gives these students a chance to experience what learning and education is like at a university level, with the aim of raising aspirations and open students eyes to the possibility of attending a red brick university in the future.

This year, students worked with a pHd tutor from Sheffield Hallam University, Danielle, on her area of expertise: Peer Harassment. Students worked in small groups from November to January, when they submitted their final assignment.

We are extremely proud to share that 12 students passed their assignment and their graduation event was held at the University of Leeds on Thursday 22 February 2024, where they got a further chance to experience what life is like at university.

They also had a celebration event with Mrs Pond on Friday 8 March, where they received some rewards in recognition of their hard work.

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Enrichment Club in Focus

What a term it has been! Each week there are approximately 50 clubs running either at lunchtime or afterschool. That is a phenomenal number! Congratulations to everyone involved

On top of that, we have had numerous trips, events, outside speakers, sports fixtures and, of course, the magnificent school production. Enrichment at Hungerhill continues to go from strength to strength. Huge thanks as ever for all members of staff who give up their time to enrich our school and provide the out-of-class experiences that help develop our pupils into skilful, creative, knowledgeable, and well-rounded individuals that colleges, universities, and employers are looking for.



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It has been a pleasure to see so many clubs in action and to witness the enjoyment that they bring. Once again, I want to reiterate that we want ALL our pupils to be involved, so if you don't already attend at least one club, please check out the schedule on the weekly bulletin, choose a club, and come along. You won't regret it. Parents/Carers please <u>click here</u> to see an overview: Hungerhill School - Wider Curriculum

Please note as well that new clubs will be introduced after Easter, so keep an eye out for these.

Club in focus.

Each half term, we will put a club 'in-focus' highlighting the superb work they do. This time around it is Science Club which runs in Lab 4 on a Monday lunchtime WEEK A. The club is run by the amazing Mr Stanley, whose passion for science is clear to see. Science club helps brings this subject to life. Every session is practical, and pupils work through several interesting and exciting experiments that develop their scientific understanding and compliment the science curriculum. Check out the experiments that have been done already this term, and what is to come after Easter.

29/01/24 - Making your own gas power station -Can you use the supplied equipment to engineer a way of spinning the turbine?

19/02/24 - Flame tests - Different metals make flames go unusual colours. This is an experiment to find out which metal matches to the different flame colours of Orange, Purple, Green and Red.

04/03/24 - Static Charge - Have you ever been shocked after being on a trampoline or after being in the car. Find out why and see some very cool static tricks.

18/3/24 - Holograms - Bring your mobile phone in for this one. (Only allowed out of your bag in science club). Use your mobile phone and a piece of equipment that you will make to form holograms of various objects.

15/4/24 - Rainbow test tubes - Use hydrochloric acid, sodium hydroxide and universal indicator to make a rainbow of colours. A steady hand and pipette skills are required. One drop too many and you will not have the correct colour.

29/4/24 - Dissection - Ever wanted to be a pathologist, vet, or surgeon? Come to this session to see if it is for you.

13/5/24 - News coming soon.

3/6/24 - Air Rockets 1 - Design and make your own air rocket. You need to make sure it is the right size so it can fit on the launcher correctly.

17/6/24 - Air Rockets 2 - Launching your Air rocket. Will you go for...

It was a pleasure to have been invited to see this club in action. The experiment I saw was Holograms. It was really interesting, but what was even more impressive to see was the enjoyment of the students that were there. Here's what some club members told me about why they love it so much. Eric in Year 7 told me "We really like the practicals. We do experiments that we don't normally do in class and have fun. Everyone is really nice." Alan in Year 7 says the club is very interesting and fun and that Mr Stanley is very kind, very organised and helps us lots. Asher in Year 7 says that he really enjoys learning about the physics and mechanics of the reactions that take place. He says that other students should join this club because "it is really fun, and you get to experience some practicals that you don't normally get to do in lesson."

Thank you, Mr Stanley and all the members of Science Club. Please keep up the brilliant work!

We are always looking to further improve our Enrichment programme, so if you have an idea about a club that you think we should run, simply see me in the PE office or send me an email through the school email system. I look forward to hearing from you.

Mr Clayton

Coundown to Year 11 Exams

Five school weeks to main exam season (Biology 10 May is the first!!)

Top tips for Easter Revision

- Plan it out split your time between your subjects.
- Don't just go back over the things you can do -work on areas you struggle with.
- Keep each session fairly short 30 minutes 5 minute recap over previous session, 20 minutes active revision, 5 minute recap over the material you have just covered, have a short break, do a different subject for your next session.
- Complete any revision work that has been set by staff. This is based on QLA so it is aimed at gaps identified from High Stakes Assessments.
- Use active revision techniques -mind maps, flash cards, look cover write check, label

Work at staying well and getting into routines a bit of exercise, eating sensibly, similar bedtimes every day after half an hour of no screen time, all help you handle the stress.





diagrams, explain to other people, write quiz questions with answers and have some one quiz you. Just reading through notes or watching videos is substantially less effective unless you do something with that information.

· Past papers really help to improve your grade, when you mark them and work on areas to develop.

Use your GCSEpod/Seneca and BBC bitesize.

Every session improves your chances of a better grade, remember grade boundaries are very tight, its nor uncommon for 3 people in every class to be one mark per paper off the next grade up.



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Sporting Updates

This term has been filled with lots of sporting fixtures and events.

Both girls and boys football teams have competed against local Doncaster Schools this term. Year 9 boys remain undefeated in the league, whilst the Year 11 boys were knocked out of the Doncaster cup in the semi-final stage.

Netballers conclude their final fixtures and tournaments before the season finishes at Easter. Thank you to all the players who represented the school and made us proud! We hope to see you at our summer sport clubs next term!

Our U15 basketball players have participated in 3 league fixtures. Beating Hayfield 72-28 and Campsmount 58-32.

We have had success in the indoor Athletics competition this term. Our U15 girls were crowned Championship winners!

The PE department are extremely proud of all the students who have participated in our enrichment clubs and sporting events. Next term we will be running tennis, rounders, cricket as well as athletics enrichment clubs. We would love to see as many old and new faces!

Dance Troop 'Atomic'

Our Dance Troop 'Atomic' performed Thriller and Christmas dances in the Christmas concert last term.

They have since been working hard at Dance Club every Friday after school learning new dances to perform in a Summer Dance Showcase. They are currently working on a large dance that includes many Acro Dance moves - 'Born to be Wild'.

Watch this space!

Sport and

Leadership

and Primary

Our Sport and Dance Leaders have had

a very busy term. We have students in

Year 7, 8, 9 and 10 who are in our Sport

and Dance Leadership Academy. Year 7

and 8 are our Trainee Leaders and Year

9 and 10 are our Advanced Leaders.

Both groups have been working hard

training on different components of

Festivals.

leadership and preparing for Primary

Our Advanced Leaders have been

completing the Level 2 Sports Leaders

Award. They spent 2 full days working

on the course and are now planning to

deliver festivals and events towards

their qualification.

every week in their leadership sessions

Academy

Festivals

Dance



- Our Dance Leaders have been choreographing dances ready for
- Festivals and Events programme delivered Disney themed Dance primary children and they all thoroughly enjoyed themselves lots of positive feedback and our
- We then held the Year 3 and 4 Basketball festival! We had great Hall and Kirk Sandall who all took then to enjoy a competitive tournament. The atmosphere was primary children! Mrs Wood is very proud of them!

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the Primary festivals and will then be preparing Dance workshops and competitions for our KS3 Interform Dance competitions in the summer.

We are so pleased that our Primary is now underway! The Dance Leaders Festivals for Year 1 and 2 to Canon Popham and Barnby Dun primary schools. The sessions fully engaged the dancing away to Disney magic. The festivals were a great success with Dance Leaders should be very proud!

levels of participation from Canon Popham, Barnby Dun, Edenthorpe part. Our Sports Leaders delivered the festival which enabled the children to practise key skills in Basketball and

superb with all children performing with much enthusiasm. A fantastic time was had by all and our Sports Leaders worked superbly with the



Our MFL Assistant

Hi, my name is Malou Scolan, I am the French assistant. I am here to help our students in the languages department for this year.

I arrived in England in September and started working in Hungerhill School in October. In fact, I am from Britanny a beautiful region of France. I really enjoy working with the students because they are very curious and ask me a lot of questions about my culture. I teach them different things about France, but they also teach me a lot about the UK! I really believe that being an assistant in England will definitely help me in the future since my plan is to be an English teacher. Actually, being here is a way to learn more about the culture, improve my English and also have an experience in teaching.

Bonjour, je m'appelle Malou Scolan, je suis l'assistante de français. Je suis ici pour aider les professeurs de langues cette année. Je suis arrivée en Angleterre en septembre et j'ai commencé à travailler à Hungerhill School en octobre. En fait, je suis originaire de Bretagne, une belle région de France. J'aime beaucoup travailler avec les élèves car ils sont très curieux et me posent beaucoup de questions sur ma culture. Je leur apprends différentes choses sur la France, mais ils m'en apprennent aussi beaucoup sur le Royaume-Uni ! Je crois vraiment que le fait d'être assistante en Angleterre va m'aider à l'avenir, car j'ai l'intention de devenir professeur d'anglais. En fait, être ici est un moyen d'en apprendre plus sur la culture, d'améliorer mon anglais et d'avoir une expérience dans l'enseignement.



Road Safety Assemblies

On Thursday 7 March, students in years 7 and 8 had a "Deadly Distractions" presentation from The Riot Act, part of Theatre in Education.

This session promotes essential road safety information to KS3 students, reinforcing the essential skills to stay safe when travelling on and around roads as pedestrians. Students watched a drama performance and took part in quarkabap setting

in a workshop getting students to think about what the effects of risky behaviour on the roads are.

Strive for 5

As a school we are really keen to celebrate students achievements across the wider curricula.

Level	Year 7	Year 8
Level 1	27	3
Level 2	5	0
Level 3	7	2
Level 4	4	1
Level 5	5	-

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