



Hulme Hall Grammar School

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Senior School Newsletter

14th February 2020

It has been a busy final week in school. It was Year 9 Parents' Evening last night which provided parents and pupils with the chance to discuss option choices before focus turns to their forthcoming exams. Today our Year 8 History pupils are enjoying a trip to Quarry Bank Mill and our Year 11 Senior tie holders are on their Rewards Trip.



This half term we have continued to work with pupils to ensure that they are equipped with all the information they need for future choices in education and indeed in their careers. With this in mind, Mrs Smith organised an interesting talk on career opportunities in Defence and Security for KS4 earlier in the week (see overleaf for more details).

Lower down the school, our younger pupils are already being introduced to study skills that teach them effective ways of learning. Hopefully they will utilise these in their forthcoming exams before Easter.

Next half term promises to be equally busy and I wish you all a pleasant break and hope that pupils come back rested and ready for more hard work.



Our catering company, CH&CO, have been doing a terrific job introducing us to different styles of food from the versatile sweet potato to Scandinavian biscuits! Look out for more details of their Zero-Waste Tasting session that will be taking place on Wednesday 11th March. More details to follow!

Making a Difference

On Monday we were delighted to welcome a volunteer from our school charity for 2020 to talk to pupils in assembly. Brendan delivered an informative talk on The Wellspring in Stockport which provides food for homeless people in the area and for those struggling to buy food.



The organisation has been running for 29 years and is open 365 days a year providing advice, shelter and companionship to anyone who needs it. The charity relies on 250 volunteers and donations to survive and costs over £250,000 a year to run, so our fundraising efforts will really make a difference.

If any pupil has a brilliant idea for raising money, they should mention it to their School Council Rep so that it can be discussed at their next meeting.

Mr Dean Grierson, Headmaster



Have You Ever Considered a Career in Defence and Security?

This was the question posed by Emma Enston, an MA Graduate in Intelligence and Security Studies, to our KS4 pupils earlier this week.

She may have dispelled myths about teenage spies and the recruitment process for MI5, but she enlightened us on the numerous job opportunities that are available within the sector.

It is not just computer science, maths and engineering jobs that are available, pupils with an interest in languages, English, business and finance should also consider the opportunities on offer.

Thanks to Mrs Smith for organising yet another inspirational talk. If you require any further information, please contact her via email at j.smith@hulmehallschool.org



Our Newsletter is Going Paperless!

In a bid to do our part for the environment, we have decided that we will no longer print a paper copy of the Newsletter. Never fear, there are still three easy ways to access it!



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Printed copies will also be available on request. Many thanks for helping us become more environmentally friendly.

Chocolate for Valentine's Day



Our Year 7 pupils have been busy making chocolate truffles this week to celebrate Valentine's Day. Have you been the lucky recipient of a handmade gift today?

Dates for your Diary

Monday 24th February

Term re-starts

Wednesday 26th February

ISA U11 'Big' Schools
Netball Tournament

Thursday 27th February

Year 10 Parents' Evening

Monday 9th March

Year 9 Exams Begin
ISA U11 'Small' Schools
Netball Tournament

Tuesday 10th March

Visit from College Jules Verne

Wednesday 11th March

Open Morning, 9.30am—11.30am

Thursday 12th March

Year 7 Parents' Evening

