



HARTBEAT

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GREETING FROM THE HEAD

Last night we held our first full parents' evening in many years! Parents and carers of year 11 students met with their children's teachers and talked about the progress that students were making. We loved welcoming families into our school, spending time with you and engaging with you in a way that we have not been able to before! The following message from a year 11 parent put it beautifully:

"Once again, thanks for everything. I am always a big supporter of you all. However, tonight was exceptionally useful. I have just caught my daughter revising! All your colleagues were helpful and she was inspired by the support and kindness you all offered. I was impressed. Please can you pass on my best wishes to all involved."

If any parents wish to give any feedback on their experience of parents' evening please do contact us head@hartfordhigh.co.uk. This is also the email address to use for booking a place at the Parent Forum either on Tuesday morning (10am - 11am) or Thursday evening (6pm - 7pm). Do come along if you want to hear more about the quality of education at our school.

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

Ms Daniels, Head of Year 7, writes: Congratulations to the following students, nominated by their form tutors for displaying our HART values this week:

Jean Nortje, 7H Savannah Eden, 7R Arlo Williamson, 7F Zara Gaffney, 7S
Rayane Belayat, 7A Cerys Marklove, 7T Oliver Gomez, 7D Lexi-May Thomas, 7C

Congratulations also go to 7S for winning the best attendance this half term with 96.8%, as well as earning the most achievement points for the half term, showing that being present goes hand-in-hand with achievement. In second place were 7C with a total of 4862 conduct points. Both forms will be treated to a reward breakfast on Monday morning during tutor time.



Finally, further congratulations go to Cerys Marklove for accumulating the most achievement points in Year 7 this week!






Miss Sadler, Head of Art, writes: Year 9 have been working hard on their self-portrait drawings this week. Students have been looking at proportions of the face and using high contrast pencil tone to achieve shadows and form.



Well done to Lily, Millie, Rafi, Sam, Harry, Ruby, Freddie, Oscar and Madison from 9D and 9R!



ARTWORK OF THE WEEK!

This stunning piece of work was created by Emma Cowell, 10S, taking inspiration from the works of artist Jo Shepherd.

Feeling inspired?



Students can come to [Art club](#) after school until 4:00pm on...

Mondays: Y9, Y10 and Y11 in the Art Block.

Tuesdays: Y7 in V17 and Y8 in the Art Block.

Wednesdays: Y10 and Y11 in the Art Block.

Mr Boys, Head of PE, writes: [Inter Schools Cross Country 2023](#) was a roaring success; more than 250 students from 8 schools competed at Hartford on Wednesday.

Congratulations to all our students who took part!

Notable performances came from:
Inter Boys & Girls – Oli Kinder 5th, Luke Phillips 7th, James Pope 10th, Leah Smith 7th
Junior Boys & Girls – Dan Green 2nd, Harvey Brown 3rd, Cole Staley 4th, Jack Webster 10th, Nathan Yue 12th, Jack Pickering 13th, Ella Cartwright 5th, Charlotte Frizzelle 7th, Lucy Kenny 9th, Jess Bartle 10th, Mia Broughton 12th
Minor Boys & Girls – Billy Toy 1st, Tom Harte 10th, Zephaniah Frith 13th, Eloise Davies 6th, Patrycia Redel 11th, Valentina Frizzelle 12th, Holly Bryning 13th



Well done, everyone!



NETBALL



Miss Logie, PE teacher, writes: The Y7 netball team took part in the netball festival at St Nick's this week. The girls played extremely well against local schools including Leftwich, Knutsford and St Nick's, and for some of our girls, these were their first ever competitive matches. Next week the year 8 and 10 netball teams have their first league matches against Weaverham.

Miss Godfrey, School Counsellor and netballer, writes: A big congratulations to Holly Patterson, 7T!

After two trials, Holly has been successfully selected on the [Manchester Thunder U12 Squad](#)! This is a huge achievement and as a school we are very proud.



MFL

Miss Boyd, Head of MFL, writes: Well done to all students who have been engaging with the online language learning platform [Languagenut](#). We are currently ranked 70th in the world! Our top 3 students this week are Jayden Toon (Y9), Cerys Marklove (Y7) and Isla Tomkinson (Y9). The top class for this week is Miss Duff's Year 9 FDSC class.



MUSIC

Ms Philippou, Head of Music, writes: Chester Folk Festival will be running a series of free music workshops, once a month, for two hours on a Sunday afternoon between November and May. The aim is that the students will perform the music they learn in a concert at Chester Folk Festival.

Students with a Grade 6 in flute, oboe, clarinet, bassoon and French horn are also offered the chance to play with the Northern Chamber Orchestra on Sunday 21 January 2024.

If any students would like more information on either of these opportunities, please come and speak to me in the Music department or email zphilippou@hartfordhigh.co.uk



Y10 THAI BOXING

Mr Brown, Associate Assistant Head, writes: Y10 students started an introductory course on Thai Boxing this week under the master tuition of 2x World Thai Boxing Champion, Ric Barnhill. Students were put through their paces and concentrated on stance work, and perfected winning punching and kicking combinations.



Ric, who also runs Supergym in Winnington and has coached many World, European and British champions, stated that our students 'had lots of natural ability and the potential to achieve highly in the sport'. Watch this space for the next world champions of the future!

Y9 & Y 10 TRIP TO SPAIN

Mr Perry, Assistant CTL in MFL, writes: A reminder for Y9 and Y10 students that the deadline for deposits for next year's trip to Spain is the beginning of next week. [The trip is open to all students in Y9 and Y10, even if they don't study Spanish.](#) We are hoping to do activities such as cooking paella, beach fun and exploring the sights in some of major cities in the south of Spain, along with many more fun cultural activities! This was an enormous success last year and we are excited to be able to offer this trip again. If you have any questions, please come and speak to me.



AND FINALLY...

Whilst some schools are beginning their half term break, we continue for another few days next week. Students are due to be in school for four days and can finally enjoy some rest and relaxation from Friday onwards! With this in mind we hope students get the opportunity to re-charge this weekend and we look forward to seeing them on Monday.

Wishing everyone a happy and relaxing weekend.

Rachel Pickerill