

# HSW News

## From the Head's Study...

Dear Everyone,

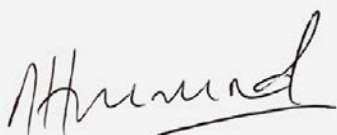
Well, we have battled some wet weather and strong winds but still our students have entered the site each morning with a smile. Watching the traffic on The Downs every morning, from my vantage point on the gate, I am acutely aware of the efforts everyone in our community goes to just to get here. I want to pay tribute to all our parents and guardians, who chivy and chase their loved ones out of bed every morning, get them ready, into the car or to the station, so that they can be here on time. It is no easy task in South West London, and especially with the dark mornings and evenings. Thank you to the staff too, who arrive early and stay late, never seeing daylight, other than if they are on break duty!

We had the first of our Y7 Taster Days this week. Seventeen eager Year 6 pupils spent the day with us and, having spent much time with them, I can tell you they were an absolute delight. We have the second Taster Day on the 29th, and another sixteen pupils coming. We will hold a third day in early January, due to the high demand for places at HSW.

But rest assured, more pupils need not equate to bigger classes. Our commitment to small classes continues, as proven by our move from two-form entry to three-form in Y7 and Y8 this year, thus keeping class sizes down so that we can deliver our tailored approach. Knowing our students well is our modus operandi, and we have no plans to change that!

Have a good weekend everyone.

Yours,



**Andrew Hammond**  
Headmaster

## IMPORTANT DATES

**W/c Mon 20th Nov -  
Year 11 Mocks (cont.)**

**Tues 21st Nov -  
Year 5 Trip to Historic Royal  
Palaces**

**Tues 21st Nov -  
Year 9 Parents Evening  
HSW**

**Fri 24th Nov -  
Year 6 Trip to British  
Museum**

**Wed 6th December -  
Christmas lunch and  
Christmas jumper day**

**Fri 8th December -  
Christmas Variety show at  
Oberon 4pm**

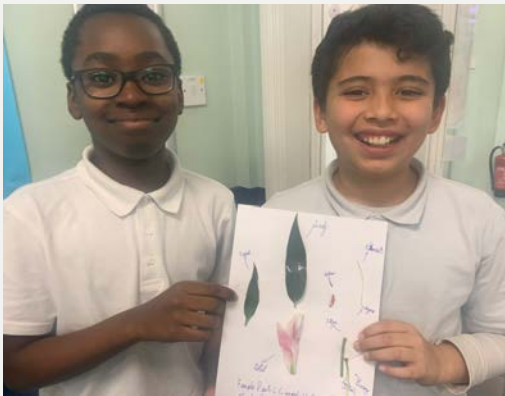
**Mon 11th December -  
KS2 Panto trip**

**Tues 12th December -  
Carol Service  
Emmanuel Church  
6pm**

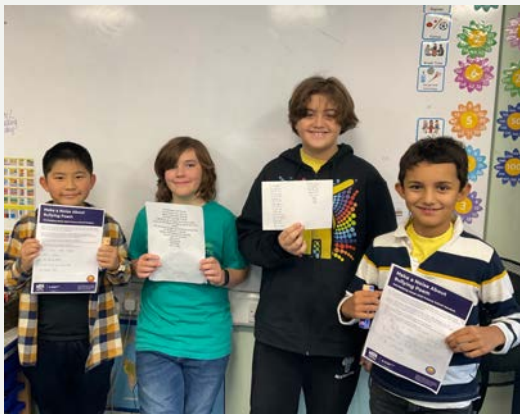
**Thurs 14th December -  
Final day, finish at 12pm.**

# This week at HSW...

.....This week in science, Year 6 got 'hands on' by dissecting flowers. They were challenged with finding the reproductive parts of flowers and did a fantastic job!



....The winners of the Anti Bullying Week poetry competition, KS2



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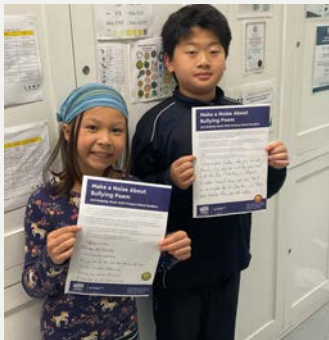
...The year 3 and 4 freeze framed scenes from the Ancient Egyptian Book of the Dead on Tuesday



... School lunch at HSW



... Year 5 The winners of the Anti Bullying Week poetry competition.



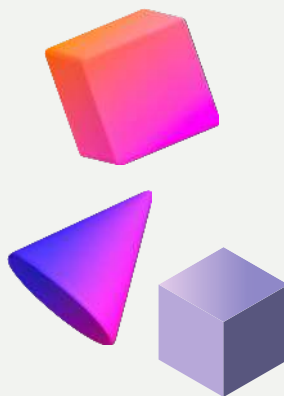
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..... The KS2 bake sale raised £272.72 for Children in Need. Thank you so much to all our amazing parents who worked so hard to get all the cakes and biscuits ready.



..... in History, Year 3 and 4 looked at how the pyramids were constructed, and experimented to find the strongest 3D shape



# Please note..

..... Dear Parents,

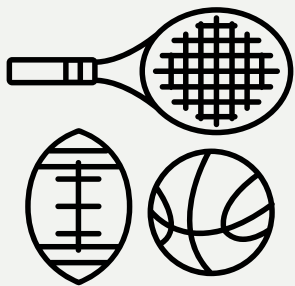
We are now approaching the end of Autumn Term and the feedback on the bus service this term has been positive.

However, in order to make the bus service sustainable over the long term we do need more pupils using the service, especially on the new Tooting Bec/Earlsfield route we introduced in September. The Tooting Bec/Earlsfield route is running well under capacity at the moment so it is vital we try and get more pupils on board.

Please do familiarise yourself with the routes, stops and timings via the Hall School transport portal <https://hallschool.pa.studentsafe.com/#/home> and if you have any questions surrounding the service please do not hesitate to contact the StudentSafe team at [hallschoolestudentsafe.com](mailto:hallschoolestudentsafe.com).

Please do try and help us ease congestion around the school and help us reduce the environmental impact of the school run

Thank you for your support



Dear Parents,

I'm excited to be writing to you about a holiday camp in the Christmas break with the option to book your child into the MULTI-ACTIVITY SPORTS CAMP on-site at school. These camps are open to both boys and girls Years 5-8. There is an opportunity for friends or family to attend the camp who do not currently attend HSW.

Each of these camps will run between 8.30am to 3.00pm, with scheduled breaks throughout the day to ensure the children have time to eat and drink.

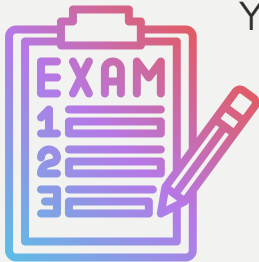
**MULTI-ACTIVITY SPORTS CAMP:** This camp will be run at The Hall School, on the playground and sports hall (rain or shine) with all children participating in a number of sporting activities and tournaments each day with a variety of sessions being offered across the week including: football, cricket, basketball, dodgeball and many more games. This camp will be run on the following dates for the specified year groups.

WEEK 1: 18th-22nd December

Pricing: Bookings will be charged at £60 for the day or £275 if booked for the whole week.

Do please email myself at [danmaccfc818@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:danmaccfc818@hotmail.co.uk) or message on 07931178878 to sign up your child or if you have any questions regarding the camp.

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## Year 11 Mock Exams are going really well.

HSW have raised £418.30 for Children in Need.

## Sports Fixtures – KEEP THIS

This is the sports fixtures website for HSW: <https://sport.hsw.co.uk/>

If your child mentions they are in a sports fixture during the week, please have a look at the website for further details on location, approx return times and team sheet. An email will also be sent with the details.

If your child usually takes the school bus, please arrange a pick up or different mode of transport to get home for fixtures that return after 4pm.