

HSW News

From the Head's Study...

Dear everyone,

On Wednesday I was lucky enough to watch a thrilling U14 rugby match against Box Hill, hosted here at Oberon. Characters were formed and forged on that pitch in the cold and the mud! Our boys played so very well, working together as a team and tackling anything that moved with courage and determination. I was enormously proud of them all.

This week our mighty U13 girls took on St Catherine's in an epic football match. Ms Ofori was delighted by the girls' efforts as they worked together and showed tremendous talent and resilience. Go girls!!

We have very significantly increased the number of sporting fixtures for our girls and boys this year, thanks to the great work of Ms Ofori, Mr Mackintosh and Mr Dockery. These opportunities are so important - to bond as a team, give it everything you've got and represent the school with pride. Whether it is in rugby, football, netball, hockey or other sports, we are delighted to see our girls and boys wearing the school colours and continuing to raise the profile of our great school in the area. Watch out rivals, we are coming!

On Wednesday morning, I heard the most wonderful bass riff and drums emanating from The Grove. I ran from my office and saw an assembly in which our students were being treated to a demonstration of the double bass and electric bass by Mr Max Khan, one of the many new music teachers introduced to us by the brilliant Mr Spoerer. We have so many musicians at HSW, and I hear talk of bands, quartets and ensembles on the horizon. Another great example of teamwork in practice!

Have a great weekend all. Enjoy the Six Nations!

Yours,



Andrew Hammond
Head

Important Dates

W/c Mon 11th -

Assessments begin (whole school excl. Year 11)

Tues 12th -

Year 3/4 Trip to Westminster Abbey

Thurs 14th -

Year 11 Parents Evening

Fri 15th -

Spring Piano Recital

Mon 18th -

RSE Event for Years 9-11

Tues 19th-Fri 22nd -

GCSE French Trip

Tues 19th -

KS2 Parents Evening

Wed 20th + Thurs 21st -

SEN Parents Evening/Morning

Sat 23rd -

Matilda! (Matinee and evening shows)



This week at HSW...

This term in History, Year 6 are studying The Victorians. On Monday, they visited Gunnersbury Museum and experienced what life would be like if they had gone to school in 1891! They experienced lessons in the '3 Rs', what some of the punishments would have been, and also practised some drills!



The juniors celebrated World Book Day on Thursday this week by dressing up as their favourite story characters. Emile, Ella and Luca were given prizes and Harry Potter costumes proved popular as ever! Year 5 wrote fables and read them to the Year 3/4 class too.



This week at HSW...

On Wednesday, the U14s rugby team took on Box Hill @ Oberon in a local derby. From start to finish, the boys did HSW proud. Their behaviour was exemplary and their performance on the field was a joy to behold. Despite the 5-10 result, there was outstanding play by all but special mentions go to the two Georges for both their try-scoring prowess and inspiring teamwork. A further mention to those parents who muddied their trainers and came to support the team - we'd love to see more supporters at future matches!



Our Year 11s have been taking their final mock exams in preparation for their GCSEs this coming summer. Mr Dockery and all the staff have been incredibly impressed with their exam etiquette and dedication to their futures. We look forward to parents evening to discuss how they can fine tune their revision over the next couple of months.



This week, Year 7 were given an assembly by Mr Spoerer and Max Khan, our new double bass teacher. Max will be offering lessons to students and if parents wish to book or would like more information, please let Mr Spoerer know on trs@hsw.co.uk

This week at HSW...

Looking the part with their new football kit, the U13 girls football team travelled to St Catherines for a very even clash. It was 0-0 at half time and although the final result was a loss of 3-0, the girls played the best they have played this year so far leaving Miss Ofori smiling from ear to ear. Player of the match went to Kristina!



ISI Results

Whilst one word judgements no longer accompany ISI Inspections, the positive findings and praise for every element of HSW speak for themselves. The glowing comments in the report spoke of our well-balanced curriculum, excellent PSHE programme and how welcoming and courteous our students are. We are incredibly proud of our school and thank all the staff for working so incredibly hard to make this school the best it can be!

Upcoming at HSW...



**HALL SCHOOL
WIMBLEDON**

The HSW Music Department proudly
invite you to our

Spring Piano Recital

**Friday 15th March
4-5pm @ Oberon**

*The concert will feature HSW students of all ages.
Performances will include piano pieces, singing duos,
and you may even spot a teacher or two!*

Performers and their families have all been contacted regarding the Spring Piano recital next Friday.

All students and families are welcome and encouraged to come and support our talented young musicians!

Please note...

Marathon Running!

Two of our staff members are taking on Marathons in April this year! We are so proud of their endeavours and we are very excited to share their fundraising pages alongside their stories. We encourage any donations you can make, they are both running for incredible personal reasons, and we want to support them as much as possible!

Mr Tim Spoerer is running the Brighton Marathon on Sunday 7th April. You can read Tim's story and sponsor him here:

<https://www.justgiving.com/page/rich-tim-1704322737675>

Mrs Ria Blees is running the London Marathon on Sunday 21st April. You can read Ria's story and sponsor her here:

<https://2024tcslondonmarathon.enthuse.com/pf/victoria-blees>

Social Media

Students in our online posts are based on the permissions you gave us - if you would like to edit these, please email Mrs Ria Blees on vrx@hsw.co.uk to let her know your preferences.

Instagram: [hsw.school](https://www.instagram.com/hsw.school)

X (Twitter): [@hsw_school](https://twitter.com/hsw_school)

LinkedIn: [Hall School Wimbledon](https://www.linkedin.com/company/hall-school-wimbledon)

TikTok: *loading*

Sports Next Week

The planned sports fixtures for next week are currently as follows:

Monday 11th:

Football - Girls U13 - vs JAGS @ SE21 7AL
- 2.30pm start -
Return to HSW at 4.45pm

Friday 15th:

Rugby Union - Boys U12
- Away @ Raynes Park High School -
2.00pm start

All sports fixtures can be found at <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 the team sheet.

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.

If you have any questions regarding sports fixtures, please email Ms Ofori on rxo@hsw.co.uk