

HSW News

From the Head's Study...

Dear everyone,

Congratulations this week to our Y10 students who have recently completed the expedition element of the Duke of Edinburgh Silver Award. These activities are so very good for us, bringing teamwork, resilience, resourcefulness and stamina, not to mention physical strength and fitness. Such skills and qualities are essential components in the students' toolkit for life. We are proud of them all. The weather this week has steadily improved and we have been treated to some very sunny weather today. Extra special credit therefore must go to our Y11 students who, despite the sunshine outside, have been sitting in examination rooms, tackling GCSE papers. These are important exams and tension will be running high, but, as I walk around the school everyday, I am struck by how HSW students take everything in their stride, they really do. I am so impressed by their stoicism and quiet confidence. Good luck to everyone for this examination period.

I was taking a PSHE class the other day, on 'What makes a good friend?'. I was so impressed by the thoughtful responses shared in class. As I looked around, I noticed how well the children were working together in groups, supporting each other, listening to others' ideas and combining their skills to put together presentations on the theme. Such collaboration doesn't happen by accident; this only happens when the children feel comfortable and confident, safe in the knowledge that HSW is a place where they can be themselves and build friendships that will last a lifetime.

Another tool added to their toolkit for life: friendliness.

May I wish you a very pleasant weekend of sunshine.

Yours,

Andrew Hammond Head

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Important Dates

Sat 11th -Open Day

Tues 14th -

Year 3 Transition Day at The London Acorn School

Tues 14th -

Year 12 Parents Evening

W/c Mon 20th -Park and Stride week

Mon 20th -

Years 3–5 visiting The London Acorn School for a language festival

Wed 22nd -

Drama Trip (year 10s and year 9s taking GCSE) to see People, Places and Things

Thurs 23rd -

Mental Health Workshops Yrs 7-10

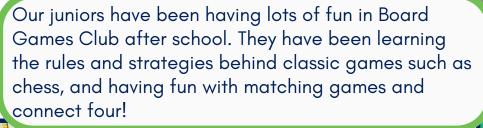
Fri 24th -

Inter House Music Competition



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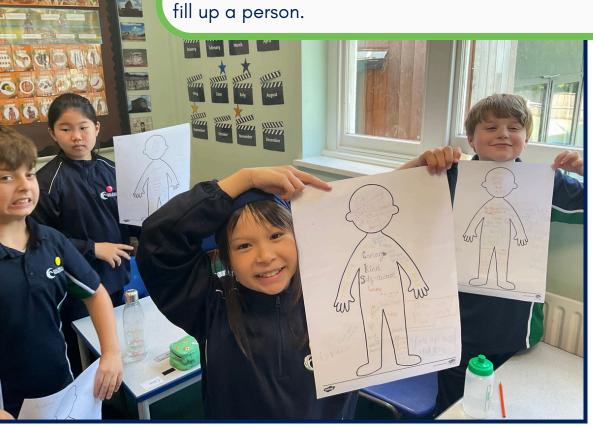


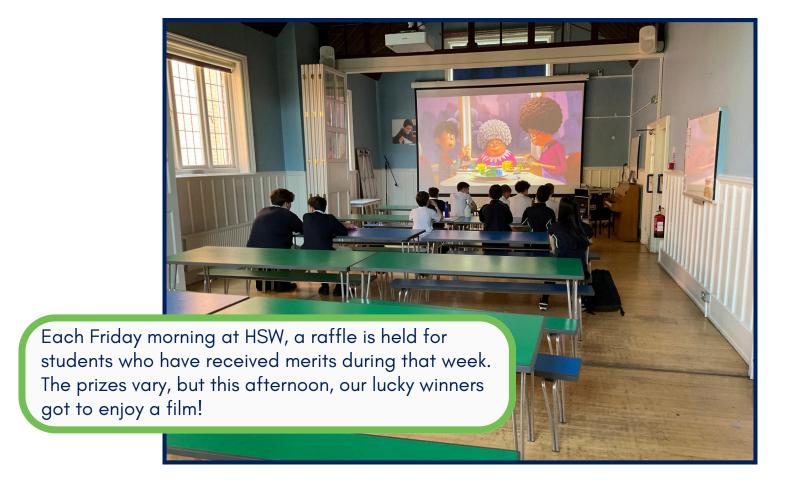




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Year 5 have been looking at self worth in PSHE. Each child wrote something nice about every other child in the class to fill up a person.





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Chatsworth are holding a group wide competition of entrepreneurship with 8 Billion ideas – encouraging students to learn with a hands on approach and create some new and exciting ideas. This year's theme is "Grown Up for a Day" and take a look at some of our entries – a final will be held later this term!

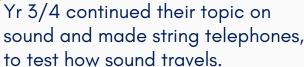


The Doctor Who club members presented their plans for evil world dominating soft drinks to an alien visitor from the planet Bane.









Please note...

House Music Competition

We are two weeks away from our Inter House Music Competition, taking place on Friday 24th May. Mr Spoerer has a great list of performers signed up and if anyone else would like to join, remember, performers automatically earn your house 5 points! There will be points available for the crowds too, we want our performers to feel all the support of their school house!



Warmer Weather

Now that the warmer weather has (finally) arrived, please ensure your children are dressed appropriately for the weather. We encourage students to bring a water bottle which can be refilled through the day as well as wearing a hat/applying suncream when necessary.

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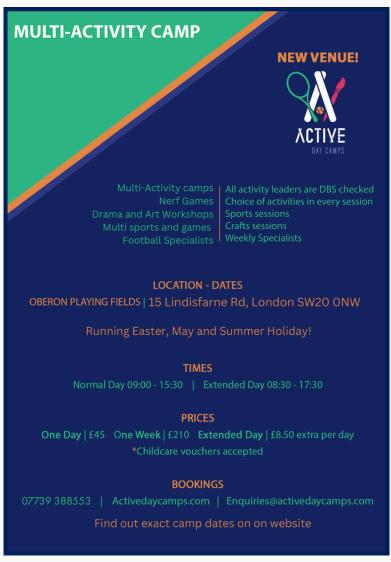
Active Day Camps

Active Day Camps will be running at Oberon during the May Half term and the summer holidays. The times the camp runs can be seen above.

If you scan the QR code, you can use the code 'FREEDAY' to claim a free day at camp!

Go to activedaycamps.com for more information and to book.





Social Media

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