

Hilbre High School Humanities College Parents' Newsletter



25th April 2016 - Week A

Date	Event			
Monday 25 th April				
Tuesday 26 th April				
Wednesday 27 th April	Year 10 Parents' Evening, 5-8pm. Barcelona trip departs.			
Thursday 28 th April				
Friday 29 th April				

We have had a purposeful start to our new term, beginning with high standards and a strong sense of direction. Whilst our students in their examination classes now go full-steam-ahead into the final preparations for their exams, we are ensuring that our students' commitment to the Hilbre way-of-life remains paramount.

This week, we have held informative assemblies, prepared through collaboration with both West Kirby Girls' School and Calday Grammar. The assemblies have advised about the harms of drugs use and the serious sanctions and consequences each school will impose in relation to drugs. This is a firm, fair and factual message that I am delighted is being shared with all students in West Wirral schools. Working in partnership on behalf of all our students is something of which I hope we will see more in our future.

Equally, I must mention our use of the school field over the last week. We began the week by opening the field at lunchtimes but stating there must be no litter or it will be closed. Unfortunately, over the week, we have opened it for 2 days but closed it for 3. This is a great opportunity for me to ask that our students are all encouraged to take a corporate 'Hilbre' responsibility for the high standards of behaviour, work and positivity that we expect to see at this school so that we all benefit from working together to maintain high standards. As such, I look forward to a litter-free field in the coming weeks; one that can be enjoyed by all of us; one that remains well kept and litter free!

As the newsletter is now going out fortnightly, I will write to you again in 2 weeks' time.

Have a great weekend,

HILBRE STARS OF THE WEEK

HOYLE HOUSE

Name of Student	Form	
Isobel Ellson	7AMA	
Jeannie Stanley	7EGU	
Kelsie Hodkinson	8AEL	
James Scott	8HRO	
Joel Taylor	9TBA	
Alexander & Michael Stamatiou	9NMO	
Freya Smith	10KAR	
Thomas Swinscoe	10KPE	
Matthew Knowles	11LHA	
Carol Sharpe-Stevens	11TBL	

ROYDEN HOUSE

Name of Student	Form
Jodie Faulkner	7RST
Jayson Cross	7NST
Josh Hughes	8TMA
Ethan Walton	8SBU
Abigail Gilbert	9AFY
Will Oakley	9MHE
Lewis Shaw	10NAR
Millie Johnson	10FLE
Eleanor Hoffman	11SMK
Matthew Franks	11PLE

DEE HOUSE

Name of Student	Form		
Eleanor Pike	7KMI		
Mackenzie Cole	7MKN		
Finlay Jackman	8SFL		
Tom Whitehead	8KTE		
Jakob Eckl	9LEA		
Erin Vassie	9SRO		
George McDonnell	10JCL		
Owen Williams	10JWA		
Matthew Thomson	11NMA		
Morgan Barnes	11SHO		

SCHOOL EVENTS THIS TERM

Wednesday 27th April 2016 - Year 10 Parents' Evening, 5-8pm Wednesday 27th April 2016 - Barcelona trip departs Monday 2nd May 2016 - May Bank Holiday - school closed Monday 16th May 2016 - External GCSE and GCE exams commence Monday 30th May - Friday 3rd June 2016 - Whit Half Term Monday 6th June 2016 - Full school return

FREQUENCY OF NEWSLETTER

Please be advised that we will be changing the frequency of our newsletter. We will now issue one on the first week returning to school after a break and thereafter every fortnight.

BUS SERVICE

With effect from 3rd May 2016, please see the revised services operating to and from the school. These will replace the commercial Happy Als services which are shortly to come to an end. Should you have any queries, please contact Merseytravel's Traveline on 236 7676

Service 628				
	T3762	T3711	T3757	
Bidston Rise, Hurrell Road	08:02			
Moreton Cross, Pasture Road		08:06		
Moreton Cross	08:10		08:12	
Meols Drive	08:20	08:23	08:22	
Hilbre High	08:35	08:38	08:37	
	T3759	T4277	T3822	T3763
Hilbre High	15:30	15:25	15:26	15:33
Anglesey Road	15:37	15:32	15:33	15:40
Meols Drive	15:50	15:45	15:46	15:53
Moreton Cross	16:00		16:00	16:07
Moreton, Reeds Lane	16:05		16:04	16:11
Bidston Rise, Hurrell Road			16:07	16:14

6th FORM STUDY LEAVE

Year 12 students will commence study leave on Thursday 19th May and return to school on Monday 13th June. When students return from study leave we will be embarking on preparation for application for University, apprenticeships and employment. We have many activities planned and will give details in due course.

Year 13 students will leave on Thursday 26th May. Any Year 13 students who have taken AS courses this year and would like to study for an extra year will be required to have a formal interview where we will be taking into consideration their work ethic this year and also attendance.

Holidays for 6th Form students will not be permitted at this crucial time in their education and it is important that study leave should be used for revision.

We would like to take this opportunity to encourage all our 6th Form students to work hard in their studies and hopefully receive the grades they are capable of achieving in the summer examinations.

EXAM INVIGILATORS

Hilbre are looking to take on more Exam Invigilators for the forthcoming summer exams. If any parent/family member would be interested in joining the invigilation team then please get in touch with the School Office (e-mail: schooloffice@hilbre.wirral.sch.uk) to lodge your interest and a member of staff will be in touch shortly. No previous experience is required. We will be looking to recruit in the very near future.

Many thanks.

Jane Doyle School Operations Manager

GEOGRAPHY

In Geography this term, Year 9 are learning about China and on Tuesday, some pupils visited the University of Manchester to learn more about Chinese culture. While we were there, we learnt some Chinese words and how to do Chinese calligraphy, with mixed results! We followed up with a feast at a local Chinese restaurant, which gave everyone a chance to practice using chopsticks!



YEAR 11 STUDENTS

Please be advised that Progress Reports, Attendance Certificates and examination timetables have been issued to Year 11. If there are any issues with the report, please contact the subject teacher in the first instance. Contact details for staff can be found on the Progress Report. If you do not receive the report please contact the House Office.

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CALLING ALL BUDDING YOUNG WRITERS



Young people aged 14-18 can now submit their story for this year's BBC Young Writers' Award with BookTrust - Deadline Friday 29th April

Open to young people who live in the UK, entrants are asked to create stories of up to 1000 words on any topic, with the judges eager to see stories that show real imagination and creativity; high quality writing that can capture and hold the reader.

The talented winning writer of the BBC Young Writers' Award with BookTrust 2016 will have their story broadcast on BBC Radio 1 and receive a personalised mentoring session with an author to help develop their writing skills. All 5 shortlisted writers will be given a guided tour of BBC Broadcasting House and have the chance to meet high-profile authors, publishers, agents and broadcasters. The shortlist will also have their stories published on the BookTrust and BBC Arts websites and receive a copy of the BBC National Short Story Award 2016 with BookTrust anthology.

The following link will give you all the information you need on entering: http://www.booktrust.org.uk/usr/library/documents/main/bbcywa_2016_with_booktrust_entry_instructions_terms-_conditions-final.pdf

If you need any further information please speak to Mrs Phelan in the Library.

G.I.R.L.S RED CARPET AWARDS

On Tuesday 20th April, 15 of our girls attended a 'Red Carpet Award Ceremony' at Wallasey Town Hall where they were presented with certificates by the Mayor and Mayoress of Wirral. This was to celebrate their completion of a personal development course, which they have participated in over the past 12 weeks. The G.I.R.L.S project aims to unlock potential, raise aspiration and identify personal strengths. It also enabled the girls to build friendships, increase their self-esteem and develop a range of other skills. Hilbre students were among 130 young women from across the Wirral who had participated in this year's project and it was a real privilege to attend the ceremony and see the girls proudly collect their certificates.

"The G.I.R.L.S project has really helped build my confidence with all different types of skills. Donna and Claire have been able to support me with all of my problems and barriers. The Red Carpet event was very interesting to listen to all the different entertainment and watch performances of singing and dancing. During the night, the Mayor handed out our certificates. It was very kind of him to take the time to come and present us with our awards." *Molly Lamb 9TBA*



"I think that the G.I.R.L.S group has really helped me to settle in to my first year at Hilbre and I have got to know people in the year above. Donna and Claire were really helpful and always showed me what I needed to do to get on. I really enjoyed myself at the Red Carpet Awards and all the girls got a bag with goodies in." **Sophie Wilson 7MKN**





CHARTWELLS' MENUS

Meal Deal

Available from the canteen <u>every day</u> and includes: Main meal and cake/cookie/fruit/pudding for £2.31



JOIN US EVERY THURSOAY FOR OUR AWESOME POP-UPS

Fresh dough Sicilian style Pizza - either Meatfeast or Margherita with a green salad and ice cream pot



Sticky Tabasco chicken thigh ciabatta or feta & beetroot burger with baked paprika wedges, sweet chilli slaw and a watermelon wedge

Your favourite roast in a giant Yorkshire pudding wrap with a mixed salad, mini roasties, gravy and an apple crumble flapjack





Fresh dough Sicilian style Pizza – either Meatfeast or Margherita with a green salad and ice cream pot

Lemon & herb chicken thigh ciabatta or cheesy Quorn & mushroom burger with baked garlic & herb wedges, red slaw and a giant golden syrup cookie







Chicken tikka masala or roast cauliflower & chickpea korma with rice, 1/2 a naan and a lemon yoghurt lassi

Fresh dough Sicilian style Pizza - either Meatfeast or Margherita with a green salad and ice cream pot



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For more information, speak to a member of your catering team.

