



# Hilbre High School Humanities College Parents' Newsletter



22<sup>nd</sup> February 2016 - Week B

Date	Event
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> February	Full return to school
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> February	
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> February	School Show dress rehearsal, 4-6.30pm
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> February	School Show, 7.30pm. Year 9 Options Evening, 5.30-7pm.
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> February	School Show, 7.30pm

With the half-term holiday upon us, I want to take this opportunity to say thank you to all in our Hilbre High community. The school is just such a great place to be; our team spirit cannot be surpassed and our work ethic gets better and better.

The last 6 weeks has seen us ramp-up our focus on testing, particularly for Years 7 and 10 and this detailed test-driven focus upon progress and assessment will continue in the next half-term. Also, we have had highly successful Parents' Evenings and some excellent extra-curricular events and activities, from stunning drama to physical endeavour upon the rugby pitch; it is a genuine pleasure to see how the part we play in the world of Rugby Union continues to develop and strengthen.

For our Year 9 students and their parents and carers, a reminder that it is important to spend some time over the holiday giving careful consideration to the best options choices, so that the final decision is well informed and the right one.

Enjoy the next week off school. I look forward to seeing our students back in school and ready to work hard on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> February.

All the best,

**Mark Bellamy**  
**Interim Principal**

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## HILBRE STARS OF THE WEEK

### HOYLE HOUSE

Name of Student	Form
Matthew Kerr	7AMA
Elizabeth Roberts	7EGU
Eleanor Parkin	8AEL
George Kemp	8HRO
Joe Peters	9TBA
Thomas Carroll	9NMO
Joseph Lunt	10KAR
Alexander Dean	10KPE
Jay Barham	11LHA
Jordan Edwards	11TBL

### ROYDEN HOUSE

Name of Student	Form
Jonny Lloyd	7RST
Joshua Behn and Lydia Hatton	7NST
Kiera Parry	8TMA
Luke Meyer	8SBU
Dylan Lancashire	9AFY
Georgia Sherlock	9MHE
Matthew Jubb	10NAR
Alice Evans	10FLE
Heather Turner	11SMK
Joe Smith	11PLE

### DEE HOUSE

Name of Student	Form
Ben Riley	7KMI
Molly-Elise Bowness	7MKN
Sophie-Lee Harrison	8SFL
Cameron Thompson	8KTE
Louie Evans	9LEA
Erin Vassie	9SRO
Nicholas Demetrios	10JCL
Katie Woodier	10JWA
Lucy Anders	11NMA
Jack McKeown	11SHO

## SCHOOL EVENTS THIS TERM

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2016 - Full school return  
Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> & Friday 26<sup>th</sup> February 2016 - School Show, 7.30pm  
Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> February 2016 - Year 9 Options Evening, 5.30-7pm  
Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2016 - Year 7 Parents' Evening, 5-8pm  
Monday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2016 - Year 8 HPV vaccinations (female students)  
Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2016 - Friends of Hilbre High School meeting, 6-7pm  
Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> March 2016 - Year 9 Drama trip to London  
Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> March 2016 - 6<sup>th</sup> Form Concerns Evening, 6-8pm  
Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> - Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> March 2016 - Gold Duke of Edinburgh practice  
Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2016 - Year 8 Parents' Evening, 5-8pm  
Friday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2016 - School closed, Good Friday  
Monday 28<sup>th</sup> March 2016 - School closed, Easter Monday

Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2016 - Auschwitz trip departs

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> - Friday 15<sup>th</sup> April 2016 - School closed for Spring break

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> April 2016 - Full school return

### **HAPPY AL'S SCHOOL BUS SERVICE**

We have been contacted by Merseytravel who have informed us that due to continued and persistent problems beyond our control, they are required to terminate a number of the services operated by Happy Al's to a number of Wirral schools, including Hilbre High School.

Please note that Happy Al's bus services are required to fulfil their commitments and provide the school with a service until close of school business on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> February 2016.

We have been informed that Merseytravel are now seeking to replace the contracts for the Al's service numbered 628 that serve the school, but they are currently unable to guarantee a replacement service in readiness for the commencement of school.

Merseytravel have assured us that they are making every available effort to replace services but in the interim we would advise that parents should consider other means of transport for their children from Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> February until otherwise advised.

We appreciate your assistance in this matter and trust that Merseytravel are able to work promptly with their other operators to provide a replacement service to our students .

Parents with concerns should contact Merseytravel direct in the customer engagement team at [comments@merseytravel.gov.uk](mailto:comments@merseytravel.gov.uk) and comments will be considered and responded to in due course.

### **SPORTSWEAR KIT**

Due to the development of the Rugby team and the number of school teams that we now have playing, and following consultation with some students, we are making some changes to our sportswear kit, as detailed below. This will be for all students, from Year 7 through to Year 11, with effect from September 2016.

#### **Items to be made obsolete:**

Maroon outdoor shirt with white collar  
Maroon and white long games socks  
White aertex sports shirt - with school badge  
Black aertex sports shirt - with school badge  
White sports socks  
Black tracksuit

#### **New uniform:**

##### **BOYS**

Black and purple sports team top - with school badge  
Black and purple aertex polo shirt - with school badge  
Black shorts  
Black sports socks  
Black sweatshirt - with school badge (optional for boys)  
Studded outdoor boots  
Training shoes or pumps - not dark soles

## GIRLS

Black and purple aertex polo shirt - with school badge  
Black shorts **OR** black skorts  
Black sports socks  
Black sweatshirt - with school badge  
Black leggings  
Training shoes or pumps - not dark soles

We appreciate that such a change will require purchasing some new items of uniform for the next academic year and hope that this provides you with sufficient notification. The changes are, of course, being made to ensure that our students have a uniform, and thus appearance, that matches the high quality of their attitude to learning and progress. Thank you for your co-operation. All uniform will be available from the Wirral Uniform Shop and Larry Adams.

## GEOGRAPHY/GEOLOGY ICELAND TRIP

The Geography/Geology Department is offering the opportunity for current Year 10 and 12 Geography and Geology students, as well as current Year 11 students who have opted to take Geography or Geology in the 6<sup>th</sup> Form, to visit Iceland in December 2016.

A letter is being sent home this week for deposits to be collected after half term.



Since 2012 Wirral F.U.S.S. has helped over 1,500 families with their school uniform needs - **free of charge**. Wirral FUSS receive items of uniform and other clothing donated via collection drums located in many Wirral schools, at HUBS, on Open Days, at ASDA in Woodchurch and Birkenhead, and the Conway Centre.

All items are sorted for quality, minor repairs made, washed, ironed, labelled and stored by volunteers. Items that cannot be re-used are sold for recycling, all of which means that a huge amount of artificial fibre does not end up in landfill! 'Hubs' have open days where you can go along and try items on or swap your current outgrown uniform for larger items AND you can request items ONLINE and arrange to pick them up: [www.wirralfuss.co.uk](http://www.wirralfuss.co.uk)

*Wirral FUSS works to encourage the free distribution of school uniforms for re-use by families, without judgement of circumstances.*

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0151 632 6524    St Luke's Methodist Church, 19 Market Street, Hoylake, Wirral CH47 2BF  
WIRRAL FUSS WON THE 2015 INSPIRE NATIONAL AWARD FOR  
'INSPIRING CHILDREN/YOUTH INITIATIVE' IN THE UK



Our students produce lots of stunning work; however, this week, this particular example of work from Maisie Hill has really stood out. Here is a photograph of Maisie Hill's memorial sculpture produced as part of our focus upon the tragedy of the Holocaust. Well done to Maisie and we look forward to seeing other examples of students work in future newsletters.

## MONITORING REPORTS

Please be advised that Progress Reports and Attendance Certificates have been issued to Years 7, 10 and 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.

Enclosed with the report for Year 11 is a Data Collection sheet. Please check this carefully and return the sheet to the Main Office if there are any amendments required. If you do not receive the report please contact the House Office.

## FOOD TECHNOLOGY

### Sainsbury's Active Kids is back

Food Technology will be collecting the Sainsbury's Active Kids Vouchers that started to appear in stores from Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> January. Last year we were able to order over £100 of equipment which has benefitted all students. This year we are looking to extend are range of baking tins. Please send any vouchers into school marked for the attention of Mrs Long - Food Technology.



## MARCH & APRIL 2016 BTEC/ECDL/MOCK EXTERNAL ASSESSMENT TIMETABLE

Date	Subject	Unit	No's:	Time	Len	Room
Fri 4 March	Principles of Applied Science	20460E	2	9:00 - 10:00	01:00	TBC
Mon 7 March	ECDL - IT (Year 11)	PowerPt	13/13	10:00 - 11:00	01:00	F3 / F4
	ECDL - IT (Year 11)	PowerPt	8	11:20 - 12:20	01:00	F3
Tues 8 March	ECDL - IT (Year 10)	WP/Pw	9/8	10:00 - 11:00	01:00	F3/F4
	ECDL - IT (Year 10)	WP/Pw	9	11:20 - 12:20	01:00	F3
Mon 14 March	Maths Paper 1 Year 11 Mock Exam	1MAOF/H	155	9:00 - 10:45	01:45	Sports Hall
Tues 15 March	Maths Paper 2 Year 11 Mock Exam	1MAOF/H	155	11:20 - 13:05	01:45	Sports Hall
Wed 16 March	English x 2 Papers Y11 Mock Exam	ELF/H	155	9:00 - 11:00	02:00	Sports Hall
Mon 21 March	ECDL - IT (Year 11)	WP	13/13	10:00 - 11:00	01:00	F3 / F4
	ECDL - IT (Year 11)	WP	8	11:20 - 12:20	01:00	F3

# Breakfast Club

NOW RUNNING MONDAY TO FRIDAY 8:00AM—8:30AM

For all year 11 and Pupil Premium students in any year group. Breakfast club is a hive of activity where your child can do homework, revision or get a bit of extra help, accompanied by breakfast at no cost.



START YOUR DAY THE HEALTHY WAY

## CHARTWELLS' MENUS

### Meal Deal

Available from the canteen every day and includes:

Main meal

Cake/cookie/fruit/pudding

## Autumn 2015

WEEK 2

W/C 9<sup>th</sup> Nov, 30<sup>th</sup> Nov, 21<sup>st</sup> Dec, 11<sup>th</sup> Jan, 1<sup>st</sup> Feb, 22<sup>nd</sup> Feb, 21<sup>st</sup> March

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Pork Sausages with Mash Potato and Gravy	Jamaican Jerk Chicken Drumsticks with Rice and Peas	Roast Topside of Beef with Crispy Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Chicken Fajita with Salsa and Crème Fraiche	Crispy Fiery Battered Fillet of Fish with Chunky Chips
Penne Pasta Vegetable Bake (wholegrain)	Falafel with Warm Pitta Bread	Vegetarian Cottage Pie	Sweet Potato Gumbo with Corn Bread	Vegetarian Mixed Grill with Chunky Chips
Floured Loaf	Garlic and Herb Bread	Sesame Seed Loaf	Cheesy Corn Bread	Classic Bloomer
Fresh Carrots Fresh Cauliflower	Sweetcorn Coleslaw	Fresh Broccoli Honey Roast Parsnips	Healthy Salad Roasted Vegetables	Garden or Mushy Peas Roast Tomato with a Parsley Crust
Warm Lemon and Almond Pudding with Custard	Coconut Macaroon Tart	Apple Charlotte with Custard (fruit based)	Carrot Cake with Orange Frosting	Seasonal Fruit Salad (fruit based)

Cool drinking water, yoghurt and fresh fruit available daily.  
 This menu is compliant with the school food standards. We encourage pupils to enjoy  
 a healthy balanced diet. Chartwells can cater for many special dietary requirements.  
 Please speak to the Catering Manager if you have any questions.

EAT  
LEARN  
LIVE

All the above for **£2.31**