

MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

MR ROBERT JONES



I have just read this edition of the Newslink whilst working from home. I am delighted with the wide range of opportunities that have been made available to our students across all of the year groups over the last term. The School Show was a real highlight for me and I would like to thank all of the students involved and also the staff, Ms Pennell and Miss Thompson who directed the performance.

The last two weeks at school have been extremely challenging for all involved. I feel for our Year 11 and Year 13 students who have been working extremely hard preparing for their summer examinations only to see their school life come to an abrupt end. I know it also will be disappointing for many of the students seeing their trips cancelled. They will all be missing their school friends and the enjoyment that comes with learning together.

As the country enters unprecedented and dangerous times, I wish that you all have a safe Easter holiday at home.

R W Jones - Headteacher

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2020

YEAR 7 ART

ALLIANCE

Each year Haydon runs the Arts Alliance project for Year 7 students. This is a cross-curricular project that focuses on developing understanding of other cultures, creativity, research, public speaking and public performance.

Each Year 7 group was given a country/ continent to research and each subject covered topics in their area that involve that country. The students took six weeks to devise a public performance that reflects their new understanding of that region.

Students had to sing a song - which was taught and practised in their music lessons, perform a dance as taught in their P.E. lessons and also memorised and performed from a script; as learnt during their Drama lessons.

We would like to thank all of the staff and students involved and a special thanks to the Performing Arts faculty and to Ms Pennell who organised and ran the event.









PERFORMING ARTS

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BEAUTY AND THE BEAST





MATHS CHALLENGE

YEAR 8 TEAM MATHS CHALLENGE 2020

On Tuesday 3rd March, four Year 8 students represented Haydon School at the Junior Team Maths Challenge held at Preston Manor High School. Their excellent team-working skills at the various maths activities really showed on the day. Well done to Adi A Naina B, Alhassan E and Louisa H.

- Mr Patel (Teacher of Maths)



CAREERS

YEAR 10 **INTERVIEWS**

MOCK INTERVIEWS

We welcomed over 30 employers to help take part in a mock interview day with our Year 10 students. The students spent a week working on their CVs in form time and then attended a 10-15 minute mock interview with an employer to discuss their aspirations and strengths. The employers were extremly complimentary of our students and were impressed with how engaged students were with the process. All Year 10 students were invited to attend and have gained invaluable interview skills for the future.





OK DAY



On Thursday 5th March, everyone at Haydon celebrated World Book Day with a brilliant book themed menu in the canteen, the chance to win Miss Trunchbull's SUPERSIZED chocolate cake, hunting for Wally, and battling it out against Mr Gooch to see whose brain was strong enough to handle the 'Super Tough Quiz' in the library.

We were also privileged enough to be visited by the famous Globe Players as they performed 'Romeo & Juliet' for Year 8, and an 'Introduction to Shakespeare' for Year 7, taking them on a whistle stop tour of his famous plays through the years. It was a brilliant day enjoyed by the pupils, as it took them down memory lane and got them talking about their favourite reads from when they were younger!

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got Our Staff also into the spirit dressing up and also having a Staff Bake where staff baked cakes based on books.

Our Year 7/8 students that took part in the BBC Young Reporters Festival also got a the opportunity to interview Mr Jones and got his opinion on the festival. You can have a read of the full interview here :

https://bbcyoungreporter.wixsite.com/ haydontimes/post/mr-jones-treasured-talesbbcyoungreporter



PERFORMING ARTS

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Currently our Year 13 students are preparing for their performance exam preparation. The students are studying Metamorphosis and The Trial by Steven Berkoff, have a look at some of the images below of their practise sessions:



TRIPS

THIS TERM'S TRIS

SNOWDONIA

Year 7 Camp: Aberdovey, Snowdonia 3 to 7 February 2020

108 excited Year 7 students embarked on a week of self-discovery and personal development. The students took part in a range of Outward Bound Activities under the watchful eye of Haydon staff and their group leaders from the Outward Bound Trust (OBT). The highlights included canoeing, sailing, bouldering, abseiling, orienteering, team building challenges and an overnight expedition in the great outdoors.

'Going to Wales was a great experience because you get the opportunity to meet so many new people and you get to try once in a lifetime opportunities, as well as being independent. My favourite part was jumping off the pier because it was thrilling and it felt good once you had done it. In my experience, I love the coach rides because you get a chance to bond with other people and have a laugh with everyone. The teachers were very patient on the coach and during the activities. There are always people to help you if needed. In my opinion it is an amazing chance and I would definitely go again.'

Grace R (7ADL)

' I loved my trip to Snowdonia (Wales), My favourite memory was going on the night walk while we were camping and seeing all the beautiful stars. I also loved the canoe slide, even though the water was freezing cold! I loved trying all the activites and I would recommend it to anyone who wants to have fun and be challenged.'

Evie B (7AXD)





SKI TRIP

From 14 to 22 February, 54 students and 6 staff went to Gstaad, Switzerland for the annual ski trip. A large number of students learned to ski for the first time. This trip helped students develop resilience, patience, teamwork and social intelligence. The weather was sunny and the snow was plentiful and students were able to ski every day. Each morning students woke up to stunning views of the Swiss Alps. In the evenings the group took part in camp fire toasting marshmallows, hiked to the Mirage Gstaad, tobogganing, ice-skating, shopping in Gstaad and danced in a disco.

Everyone enjoyed themselves and will look back on their trip to Switzerland with fond memories.







ENGLISH

NEWS FROM

THE GLOBE PLAYERS

The Globe players came in to perform An Inspector Calls to all of our Year 11 students. This is an exam text and will be on one of their mock papers.

We were also delighted to have them return on World Book Day where they performed 'Romeo & Juliet' for Year 8, and an 'Introduction to Shakespeare' for Year 7.

It was a first live theatre performacne for some students and it was interesting seeing how many of the students understood the play and enjoyed the text better when watching it live.





A READING AND WRITING **MASTER CLASS!**

In the evening on Thursday, 5th March, author and motivational speaker Nathaniel Tomlinson visited Haydon School to deliver a GCSE style seminar on Reading and Writing for our Key Stage 4 students and their parents. Nathaniel spoke impassionedly about his own early reading experiences and how reading affects our everyday lives through propaganda, film, photography, as well as books.

This was an applied and fully practical workshop which allowed students to consider the varieties and styles of effective and gripping writing before students were encouraged practise and hone their own writing skills. Additionally, parents commented that "this was a true masterclass" which provided students with a "crash course in writing", whilst another comments included "inspirational" because it provided the students with a forum to build their self-confidence in an unintimidating and supportive environment.

WORKSHOP FEEDBACK

Here is some of the feedback we got from Parents that attended our English Workshop in March:

"I hope this workshop will give my child the confidence to continue writing well, practise and encourage him" **Parent**

"Listening to Nathaniel's story helped me to see an actual example under the exam time conditions, I believe this workshop will help me with how to sturcture my essays, stories and paragraph turctures." Student Year 11

"It was a great session that should be opened up to Years 9 and 10 as it was very inspiring hearing the speaker" Parent



EDUCATION PHYSICA

Below is just a small sample of our sporting success this term. Follow the PE department twitter feed at @HaydonPE and keep up to date with all the sporting news.



Haydon PE Department @HaydonPE · Jan 28 Year 8 are borough 7 aside Champions #weareHaydon thank you to @UHSPE for organising



Haydon PE Department @HaydonPE · Jan 29 Great performance today from Haydon's Dance Team. Big thank you to our amazing choreographers Poppy and Tilly Radford - dancers and teachers from Italia Conti





144 likes

haydonpedepartment Huge congratulations to our U13 girls football team who beat Drayton manor in the quarter finals of the county cup today!! Thank you to all that came to watch! Semi finals here we come!!!! #teamwork #thesegirlscan #hardwork #fighters #football #haydon



135 likes

haydonpedepartment Very proud of these boys representing Hillingdon in the Volleyball London Youth Games. Winning matches against some tough teams and overall coming 4th. Great experience, great day and some great moments of play.



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haydonpedepartment PROUD!! Haydon's U13 girls football team were outstanding today during our semi final against an extremely good side. 3-3 at full time, but unfortunately losing during extra time. Every single player gave 100% and played some of the best football i have seen at this age! We will be back next season ready to go again! Thanks to Sasha our 6th former who has helped with training for the last two seasons 🚱 👔 🛟 \delta 💪 #haydon #thesegirlscan #football

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haydonpedepartment A HUGE congratulations to our year 9 netball team who became borough champions today!! Some fantastic netball was played and the girls were unbeaten the whole tournament! So proud! Well done ladies & 🕎 🧴 #thesegirlscan #teamwork #winners #boroug



123 likes

haydonpedepartment These girls are unstoppable!! Congratulations on becoming borough U14 futsal champions after beating Guru Nanak In the final. We move on to the county finals at the end of March! PROUD!!

STUDENT SCOUTED TO WORK

The P.E. Department have been holding sports days with PSD (Primary Sporting Development) for a few years now. Last year when they took GCSE classes to Harlyn Primary Schools sports day, Gavin Brown one of the directors of PSD was extremely pleased with one of our students (Connor D).

He was impressed by Connors sports day sessions that he conducted with the young primary school students. Connor was offered to work with PSD once he had turned 16. We are delighted to hear that Connor is currently running half term sports camps and is now helping primary schools with their afterschool clubs alongside the PSD team.



GISELLE BALLET PERFORMANCE HILLINGDON TIMES

As announced in the Hillingdon Times, two talented young Hillingdon dancers have been in rehearsal for the ballet Giselle, and were scheduled to performed by the English Youth Ballet at Aylesbury Waterside Theatre.

One of the dancers is Haydon School's student; Jessica May. We are extremly proud of Jessica's achievements and wish her all the best for her performance.

The full article about this can be found on: https://www.hillingdontimes.co.uk/news/18297715. hillingdon-girls-prepare-ballet-appearancesgiselle/?ref=erec



NEWS FROM

We have reached the end of another busy term in which our students and staff have been working additional hours to complete their GCSE & A-level coursework. Year 11 food technology students successfully completed their practical assessment in which they produced 3 courses around the theme of: "A local hotel is organising a special evening menu to celebrate Valentine's day."

GCSE DT students have been busy developing their designs and making their products around the themes chosen for their NEA's.

(Unfortunately we are unable to publish images of GCSE Exam work until grades have been published)

Year 7 & 8's continue to design and make products across all material areas: Year 7 Textiles students have been designing and making Applique pencil cases, Year 7 RM (Resistant Materials) students design and make a clock, Year 8 Textile students design and make novelty hats, and Year 8 RM students design and make a speaker. In Food Technology students in years 7 & 8 continue to develop their skills by learning to cook a variety of nutritional dishes.

Year 10 DT, RM and Graphics students were given the opportunity to visit the Design Museum, Kensington, London on Wednesday 12 February 2020. The trip provided valuable insight into the design and making process with relevance to their GCSE coursework. The students participated in a workshop exploring product design titled 'Stranger By Design', run by a design specialist followed by directed time spent in the permanent collection where the work of designers included in the GCSE curriculum is on show. The trip gave them an opportunity to see in reality many of the products they have studied and to understand how designers think and plan their products. All of the students behaved very well on the trip and were a credit to the school.

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Before the Easter holidays, Year 13 Textile students completed their final coursework project exploring the theme of 'Freedom and Limitations'. As part of their portfolio of work they completed a studio photoshoot of their garments. Examples of their work can be seen below:











COMPUTING

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DEPARTMENT

THE DUKE OF YORK INSPIRING DIGITAL ENTERPRISE AWARD

The Inspiring Digital Enterprise Award, known as iDEA is an international programme that helps develop digital, enterprise and employability skills.

The Computing department is delighted to announce that the following students have successfully completed the BRONZE tier of the Duke of York Inspiring Digital Enterprise Award.

The Badge Champion Special Achievement is awarded to students who have completed a minimum of 50 Bronze badges with iDEA.

Francis M, Benjamin H, Max K, Sohan C, Gabrielle I



ECONOMICS

YEAR 13

ECONOMICS WORKSHOP

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Our Year 13 Economics cohort had a two-day intense revision workshop with Econplusda.







THE HAYDON TIMES

BBC YOUNG REPORTER

Haydon School's English and Media Studies department were delighted to be working in partnership with the BBC for their BBC Young Reporters festival 2020 from 9 to 13 March 2020, where students were delving into the world of journalism.

The students took on the roles of journalists as they wrote, filmed and voiced their opinions on current affairs and relevant topics that they are passionate about.

Their work and talent was showcased on a website; The Haydon Times: https://bbcyoungreporter.wixsite.com/ haydontimes

Their stories may potentially be selected by the BBC who may publish their articles. We are impressed with the stories and efforts made by our Year 7/8 students who covered a range of topics from - Coronavirus, Brexit, Womens Day and Mental Health.

Thank you to Mr Lound and Miss Hansora for helping organising this amazing opportunity and allowing students to explore the world of journalism.







AT HAYDON

Looking to hire a space for a club / activity or event?

Haydon School have superb facilities available for hire to the local community, including 3 sports halls, 4 new indoor cricket net facilities, a main hall for events hire, dance studio and drama rooms, an outdoor playing field, classrooms and many more.

Have a look at the "Whats On" page on our website to join a class or attend clubs: https://haydonschool.schoolbookings.co.uk/

From Yoga Classes to Taekwondo, Boxing and a Dance School - you are sure to find something of intrest that you could attend on the weekends / after school. Have a look at some of the clubs / businesses below that use our space.

To check availability or to arrange a viewing please email: lettings@haydonschool.org.uk or fill in an enquiry form on our website.











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MACBETH

One of our past pupils Aidan Cheng is currently playing the role of Malcolm in the Macbeth production showing at Shakespeare's Globe Theatre. We are very proud of his acheivements and wish him all the best for the future.

KEEP IN TOUCH

If you're a former student of Haydon School, we want to hear from you!

Your experiences since leaving could help to motivate and inspire our current students to feel more confident in making decisions about their future. We'd love you to join our alumni network and stay connected with the school.

We've partnered with the national education charity Future First, who specialise in helping schools like ours to stay connected with their former students.

It doesn't matter when you left us, whether you're in further education or employment, whether you still live nearby or have moved further away, there are still ways you can help and we would love to stay in touch.

In order to sign up, just follow this link and fill in the online form - it will only take a couple of minutes, we promise.

https://networks.futurefirst.org.uk/formerstudent/haydon



SIXTH FORM

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POST SIXTH FORM INFORMATION EVENING

On Wednesday 5 February we held our Post Sixth Form Information Evening for Year 12 students and their parents/carers in preparation for University Applications and Alternative Pathways.

Our Year 12 team invited 27 universities along with four other apprenticeship/career providers. Some of the universities represented were Nottingham, Leeds, Cardiff, Bristol, and our local Brunel.

The Metropolitan Police were present to discuss their 'hot off the press' degree apprenticeship programme, along with the London Ambulance Service, British Airways, and the National Apprenticeship Service.

At Haydon Sixth Form we want to support students in their chosen path, whether that be university or apprenticeships. At the end of the evening many university representatives said they enjoyed this school event, were keen to be invited next year, and found the students asked many relevant questions which impressed them.

The Sixth Form will soon follow up this evening with an Oxbridge evening, where any students and parents are invited to hear representatives from both Oxford and Cambridge explain the application process.

THEATRE TRIP

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Year 12 & 13 students attended a performance of Endgame at the Old Vic Theatre on 11 February.

Students completed a Live Theatre review in preparation for their Drama A Level exams.





SIXTH FORM REVIEW

HASH REVIEW

Haydon Sixth Form hosted our annual HASH (Hillingdon Association of Secondary Headteachers)Review. This review involves an OFSTED inspector and senior leaders from other local schools reviewing areas of the school's work. Its purpose is to challenge and support the development of Haydon School. We were delighted with the feedback we received on our Sixth Form.

Subjects which were positively highlighted were Art, Photography, Product Design, and English Language. These subject areas have had four years of outstanding results at A Level. Inspectors were not only impressed by the quality and beauty of the work these students produced but by the high staff expectations, the quality of teacher communication between themselves and the students, and the assessment for learning strategies employed to help students progress.

They were also impressed by our Haydon Challenge, which is the compulsory part of our informal curriculum for A Level students. All Year 12 students complete the challenge which both develops and demonstrates a love of learning and curiosity of the world. It involves completing two Massive Open Online Courses (MOOCs) which they complete on the http://www.futurelearn.com website, this includes a Reading Marathon (26 articles), 15 hours of Community Leadership, and a week of work experience at the end of Year 12. Students reported to our inspectors that the MOOCs broadened their learning and gave them interesting conversation pieces in interviews they have had.

Our Extended Project Qualification (EPQ) was also highlighted as a strength due to the success of the students undertaking it. These students work largely independently, although supported by an inschool mentor to research and write a 5,000 word essay on an area of interest which needs to be a new topic or an extension to a specification they are studying in Sixth Form. Most students attain A*-A grades for this AS qualification, resulting in slightly lower offers from the university of their choice (for example an offer of AAB instead of AAA).

The EPQ is part of our broad High Achieving Pupils programme through which we partner with Oxbridge and Merchant Taylors' School for stretch and challenge activities, organised participants, costumes and music, provided refreshments at the interval and also ran a raffle, where the top prizes were memorabilia donated from two major west end shows. This was a huge achievement for Daisy, especially as she was completing her GCSEs in the run-up to the show, but we also have to thank all the performers involved, from Suzanne's School of Dance, who gave up their time to support Daisy.



GUEST SPEAKER

Ex-senior executive from Google- Fran Cardell came in in March to speak to all Year 12 and 13 Economics, Business Studies, ICT & Computing students.