

**30 January, 2026**

**Dear Parents/Carers,**

### **Year 7 and 8 Football**

On Wednesday 21st January our year 7 and 8 girl's football team represented QPR at the Utilita Girls Cup Area Finals at Charlton Athletic FC's training ground. They were selected to represent QPR after winning a tournament that QPR hosted. At the area finals, they competed against other schools who won their area finals. The students represented both the school and QPR to a high standard and had an enjoyable experience. Although they didn't progress to the next stage of the tournament, they worked extremely hard and performed well throughout.



### **Year 11 Saatchi Gallery**

On Monday 19 January, the Art Department took 53 GCSE Art students on an inspiring visit to the Saatchi Gallery. On arrival, students were given a guided tour by Saatchi Gallery staff before exploring the exhibitions independently. Students selected their favourite artworks to photograph and sketch, and engaged enthusiastically with the diverse range of work on display, from contemporary painting to large-scale and interactive installations. Many students commented on the impact of experiencing artwork first-hand, noting how different it felt to view work up close compared to seeing images online. The visit was a highly successful and enjoyable experience for both students and staff, and will directly inform and enrich students' GCSE exam projects. We look forward to seeing the exciting work they produce in response to their visit.



### **Oxbridge Applications**

We are delighted that 3 of our Year 13 students have been successful in securing a place at either Oxford or Cambridge. It is a testament to our Haydon Sixth Form Scholars Club that students are prepared so well for such a rigorous application and interview process. Currently, our 3 medics are still being invited to interview with one student having already secured places at two Russell Group Universities. So far, 80 places have been offered from Russell Group universities with some students securing all 5 of their offers from a Russell Group university. University offers are being made on a daily basis and we wish all of our students the best of luck as they find out whether they have been offered places at their chosen University or Degree Apprenticeship.

### **Year 13 Chemistry Workshops**

The chemistry department will be running a series of after-school workshops for Year 13 chemistry students every Tuesday. These sessions are mandatory, as they will cover essential A Level content to support students' learning and exam preparation.

The workshops will begin on Tuesday 3rd February and will run weekly for 6 weeks. Each session will start at 2:50pm and will last for one hour. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the Chemistry department directly.

### **EPQ**

We are delighted to be preparing a celebration evening for a group of Year 13 students who successfully completed the Extended Project Qualification (EPQ) and received their outstanding results early in January. We are extremely proud of these 14 students, whose dedication and commitment have led to such impressive achievements. On Thursday 12th February in the late afternoon, they will be joined by their families, friends, and members of school staff to come together and celebrate their hard work, perseverance, and success.

### **Futures Evening Presentation & Further Education Fair - 4th February**

On Wednesday 4th February we have our annual Futures Evening taking place in St. Marys Hall. The evening consists of a talk around the UCAS process and a Further Education Fair involving many University and Degree Apprenticeship providers. The evening is primarily aimed at our Year 12 students but if any Year 11 families would like to get a head start on planning for further education then you are more than welcome to attend. Talks are held at 6.35 & 7.15 in St Marys Hall with the opportunity to visit the Further Education Fair in the canteen around these times. To book tickets to the event please click on on this link - [click here](#)

### **Careers Fair -18th March**

We are delighted that we already have 15 providers signed up for our Careers Fair. We are appealing to our parents and wider community who know of any organisations or individuals who would be willing to have a stall at the fair to please contact our Careers Advisor Jeenal Shah [jshah63@haydonschool.com](mailto:jshah63@haydonschool.com) . The Fair will run from 9am -2.30pm and we would love a whole range of careers, sectors and organisations to be present to help our students see the wide range of opportunities available to them.

### **Year 10 Work Experience**

We are excited to confirm that Year 10 Work Experience will be taking place on 20th-22nd May 2026 for all year 10 students. Please could our Year 10 families [click here](#) to read more information.

### **Year 11 Revision Evening**

Following the success of last year's Year 10 event, the Year 11 team will be running a similar revision evening on Wednesday, 25th February (5:30 PM – 6:30 PM).

This session is designed to provide practical support as students approach their final exams.

We will cover:

- Effective Revision: Guidance on planning timetables and proven study strategies.
- Future Steps: An overview of College and Sixth Form entry requirements.
- Wellbeing: Advice on managing exam stress for both students and parents.

A further email will be sent out soon with sign-up details.

### **OFSTED Parentview**

I am currently working with Mrs De Jong, my successor, on shaping the priorities for the next academic year. It would be very helpful if we had parental input into developing those priorities and I would be grateful if you could complete the OFSTED Parentview about Haydon School. The link is [here](#). You need to register but the survey is very short, consisting of 10 questions.

### **Safeguarding Update**

The Hillingdon Borough is offering an online safety awareness session for parents to help increase awareness on how extremist narratives circulate online and offline. Young people are exposed to a considerable amount of content online regularly. These sessions have been designed to help parents understand extremist narratives, early signs to look out for, support healthy online habits and confidently challenge harmful content.

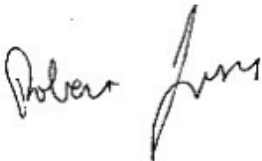
Please [click here](#) to book the online session on Tuesday 24th February 2026 at 4:30pm.

### Chromebooks

This is a polite reminder that iPads are not permitted for use on the school site. Chromebooks are the required device for lessons, as they are fully compatible with our school Wi-Fi and safeguarding systems. Using Chromebooks allows us to ensure that necessary safeguarding blocks and monitoring tools are active to keep students safe online. Unfortunately, we are unable to monitor iPad usage or apply these essential safety filters; therefore, they cannot be used on school grounds.

Thank you for your cooperation in keeping our digital environment safe.

Yours sincerely



**Robert Jones**  
**Headteacher**

### Key Dates

- Monday 2nd February 2026- Year 11 Parent's Evening
- Wednesday 4th February 2026- Year 12 Futures Evening
- Half Term - Monday 16th February to Friday 20th February 2026
- Wednesday 25th February 2026 - Year 11 Revision Evening
- Thursday 5th March 2026- Year 9 Options Evening
- Thursday 26th March 2026- World Book Day
- Half Term - Monday 30th March to Friday 10th April 2026

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