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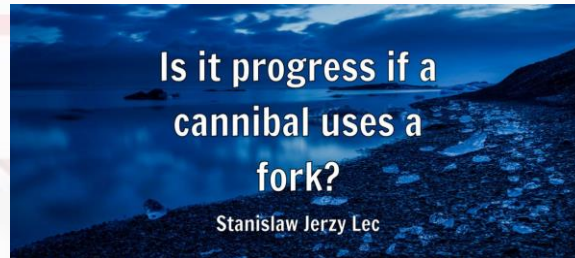
Our Core Values Assembly
Theme this week is:
Teamwork

When 'I' is replaced
by 'We', even
'Illness' becomes
'Wellness'.

MALCOLM X

**THOUGHT FOR THE
WEEK**

“You don't get
HARMONY
when everybody sings
the same note. — Doug Floyd”



Progress is often seen as education's – perhaps society's – holy grail. It is endlessly demanded of everyone, and understandably so- the idea of learning or developing without progress would be absurd. However, as in Lec's delightful quote above implies, the concept of progress needs to be carefully and collectively understood by teachers and pupils alike in order for it to be meaningful.

At Hurstmere, we are immersed in pupils' levels of progress, but we never ignore the *types* of progress made. There are different kinds of progress in the process of learning, for example: advances in knowledge, understanding, processes, motivation, breadth or depth of topic, skills or social and emotional abilities. As I walk around the school, I notice first hand all the progress being made. For example, in a Maths revision lesson I visited this week, the teacher made it clear to the pupils that feelings of uncertainty or 'stuckness' are a natural part of learning and an integral part of moving forwards in their understanding. I can almost describe it as the teacher celebrating confusion, where 'daring to get stuck' or 'stepping into the realm of confusion' is acknowledged as the beginning of learning, not the end of it! I have also observed this week members of the pastoral team reminding pupils to acknowledge their achievements- those important little successes that have punctuated their day.

Pupils go through a whole array of emotions on a daily basis, some of which they are experiencing for the first time. For example, tackling a mountain of subject revision and the loom of assessments would be tough on anyone. Then add hormonal changes, social pressures and new experiences to the mix. It truly is everything, everywhere all at once. Our R-Trails school values enables our boys to have the attitudes, skills and behaviours that underpin success in school and beyond; they give the pupils the ability to respond to setbacks, work well with others, build relationships, communicate effectively, manage emotions, and cope with difficult situations. Hurstmere School is not an exam factory; we place great importance on our pupils' wider development. Ultimately as a school, we avoid the pitfalls of merely valuing what is measurable, as opposed to measuring what is really valued.

Enjoy reading our newsletter, which is packed with examples of the good progress the pupils and the school are making.

Happy Father's Day on Sunday to all dads and father figures.

Lynn Bennett
Principal

Meet the Year 7 Pastoral Team

Mr. Dye

Raising Standards Leader
for Year 7



Thirteen years ago, my parents would have been at home receiving newsletters- just like this one, about events and news at Hurstmere School; now I am writing a bit about myself for you all to read... how times have changed!

My first job in teaching was at Northfleet Technology College, after four years at the University of Greenwich. I have been teaching at Hurstmere since 2017, specialising in PE and Maths.

This year, it has been a pleasure to be the coach of the Year 10 Football teams and be a part of their successes. It was such a shame to lose on penalties in the National Final, but I look forward to going one step further next year! The Year 8 Cricket team have had a successful start to their campaign and are looking to build on their success in the North Kent competition. I have also been lucky enough this year to be a part of the Skiing and Iceland Trips, however, I think the less said about my skiing ability, the better!

Outside of school, I am sad to say my glittering football career ended abruptly. However, I am now a level 6 qualified referee and officiate in the SCEFL and Kent County League on a Saturday and the SELKENT League on a Sunday.

As an ex-pupil, I loved attending Hurstmere; I am proud to be back here teaching and giving the guidance that was once bestowed on me.

To the pupils in Year 7, I want to say:

"Well done! Starting a secondary school is a daunting prospect, but I think you have all been incredible. You should be proud of the start you have made, and I look forward to guiding you though the next four years of your time at Hurstmere. I know that you will all be successful in your own individual way."

Mr Williams, Form Tutor for 7 Sidney/X

My name is Mr Williams, and I am an English Teacher at Hurstmere School. Before Hurstmere, I trained at Cleeve Park School and The Orchards Academy. I have always loved English, and have always known I wanted to be a teacher. Although I maybe wasn't the best pupil, I looked up to my teachers with such admiration and wonder. They had such influence on my day and I wanted to have that sort of impact on people.

When I became a teacher, I made it my mission to try to positively impact every pupil I could, especially for those pupils who seem to be having a bit of a rough day. As a child, I know that one simple conversation with a teacher can massively improve a bad day. Throughout my time at Hurstmere so far, my favourite moments are when I see some of my pupils elated. I hope that I get to see many more of those days in the future.

Mr Parkinson, Form Tutor for 7 Caxton/X

"Sir, have you always been a Maths teacher?" is a question frequently asked. In my case the answer is, "no". Throughout my career, I have been a Trainee Environmental Health Officer, Internal Control Officer, Operations Manager, Group Marketing Director, Head of Interactive TV and Consultant. My employers were Local Authorities, an entrepreneurial start-up, a media giant (News International), ITV and my own company.

The follow-on question is then asked with some bemusement – "So, why did you become a Maths teacher?" Simply, I had a great, challenging and fun career and I wanted to instill and excite pupils in the great opportunities that lie ahead of them. Having a Maths degree, the obvious route into doing this was to teach to enable me to help pupils get the best possible grade in the subject. Hurstmere boys are some of the best around and it is great working alongside my excellent colleagues in helping them get the very best starts to their lives.



Meet the Year 7 Pastoral Team



Mrs Nunes, Form Tutor for 7 Chaucer/ X

Hello, I am Mrs Nunes, second-in-charge in the English department. I have worked at Hurstmere for over 20 years and this is the fifth time I have been a Year 7 form tutor. It is a part of my job which I enjoy as I watch pupils change and grow into young men, helping and guiding them on their way; it is very rewarding. I began teaching at the age of thirty – trying many different jobs and travelling during my twenties. I have always had a passion for reading and writing which is why I studied literature at university. It was then an obvious choice to put those passions to good use and become an English teacher.

Outside of school, I take great pleasure in spending time with my family and of course, reading widely. I enjoy watching rugby – supporting Wales, which is a challenge! I also love eating out at fancy restaurants when the budget allows! My time here feels like a career well spent – it is a challenging job, but I relish being in the classroom, sharing my enjoyment of reading and studying literature with my pupils, in a special place like Hurstmere.



Mr Watson, Form Tutor for 7 Caxton/ Y

I am Mr Watson, Form Tutor of 7 Caxton Y. I'm very proud to be working at Hurstmere and being part of an amazing Science department. I'm very passionate about science and how we learn; I enjoy sharing my understanding of the nature of science with pupils and developing their own scientific knowledge. My philosophy is one of valuing each pupil as an individual and as a co-learner in a larger collective learning environment. I believe that all pupils should be offered every opportunity to study Science and to fulfil their potential, irrespective of prior experience.



Miss Whiteland, Form Tutor for 7 Sidney/ Y

It is a pleasure to join Hurstmere School as a Teacher of Art and Form Tutor to 7 Sidney Y. I have got a great form and I can't wait to see them flourish in the years to come. I completed my teacher training at Hurstmere and I'm proud to be part of such a special place. I am enjoying getting to know the boys and taking them on their creative journeys!



Mr Cottrell, Form Tutor for 7 Cobham/ X

My name is Mr Cottrell, and I teach Physical Education at Hurstmere School. I am also the proud Form Tutor of 7 Cobham X. I have been working at Hurstmere for just under 3 years, and the time has flown by! I initially started my Hurstmere journey when I attended the school in 2009 as a pupil, leaving in 2014. For my 5 years at Hurstmere, I was given endless opportunities and made countless memories; I am hoping the current pupils can experience the same journey I had and make lifelong friends and memories.

I studied Physical and Sport Education at St Mary's University and completed my teacher training at Kingston University. My dissertation at university focused on the psychological demands faced by footballers at elite youth level. I chose this dissertation because I have a strong interest in football; I currently play football on Saturdays and Sundays, because like most pupils at Hurstmere, I simply cannot get enough of it! I also keep myself entertained (or sometimes, not) by watching my beloved football team, Crystal Palace, and watching cricket on the TV or at the Oval. I also enjoy keeping myself fit and healthy at the gym.

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Miss Sporidis, Form Tutor for 7 Cobham/ Y

I'm Miss Sporidis and I teach English here at Hurstmere. However, I have not always been a teacher. After doing my degree in English Literature and my Masters in American Literature, I realised what I really loved was theatre. But I was not an actor, so I had a whole other career as a Marketing Consultant and used to work for the London Film Festival (yes, I did meet a lot of Hollywood stars!) and the Barbican Centre and Soho Theatre to name but a few. It was great fun.

Since training to be teacher, I'm no longer going to glamorous first nights- but who needs that when you have a great form group? No red carpets, but we have Astroturf! Seriously though, teaching has been a great privilege. I've loved watching my form grow up in front of me over the last year and I still get a buzz when pupils have that 'aha!' moment or actually smile at one of Shakespeare's jokes. He was actually pretty funny, but 450 years has killed quite a few of his best laughs.



House Captain Election



The voting was VERY close this year, and in one case there were 2 votes separating the candidates!

It is our great pleasure to announce the new House Captains are...

Caxton Captain - Brogan S Vice Captain - Boris I

Chaucer Captain - Liam H Vice Captain - Jack V

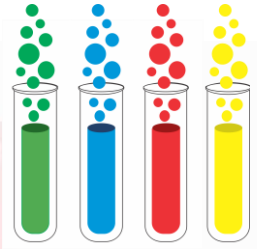
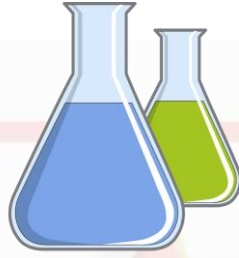
Cobham Captain - William T

Sidney Captain - Ben R Vice Captain - Issac L



Take a sneak peek into our Year 7 classrooms...

Science: 7b/Sc1 class are currently studying energy in their science lessons. As part of this topic, they are learning about energy transfer by radiation. They carried out a practical investigation to find out whether more heat is emitted through a silver can or a black can. This involved putting hot water in the two cans and accurately monitoring the change in temperature over 10 minutes, and then comparing their results.



Geography: Year 7 pupils were completing their End of Year Exam which covered a range of topics, including Geology, Trade and the Coastline. Pupils were answering a range of questions to demonstrate their knowledge and understanding of these topics. The exam is designed to assess their ability to remember the content and to demonstrate their understanding of the topic when having to apply it to an unknown situation. The pupils spent time in lessons preparing for the assessment and were provided with a range of revision tools/resources to help them prepare.



Food Technology: Year 7 pupils were taught how to become competent in a range of cooking processes such as selecting and preparing ingredients, using utensils and electrical equipment and how to adapt their own recipes.



Music: Pupils are learning to identify Pitch, Rhythm/Duration, Tempo, Timbre/ Instrumentation, Structure, Texture and Dynamics aurally. They will also learn to describe what they hear using musical vocabulary. Furthermore, they will demonstrate understanding by emulating these elements in composition and performance.

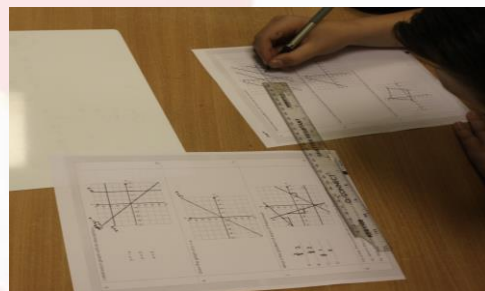
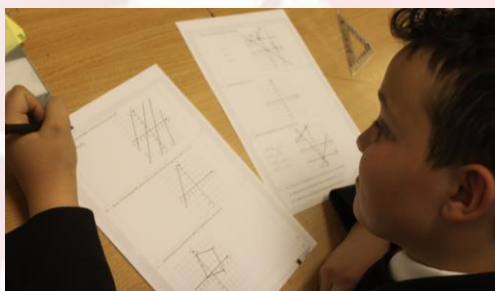
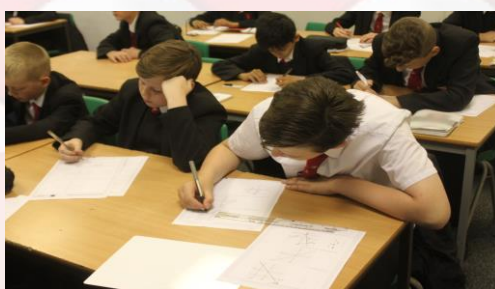


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In this lesson, Year 7s are writing their end of year **French** exam. Ms Lambert is so proud of how hard the boys have worked during their first year at Hurstmere. Before the exam, boys are given revision support by going over some of the key vocabulary they have learnt throughout the year. Once these exam papers have been marked, the pupils will have a DIRT (Dedicated Improvement and Reflection Time) lesson, which enables the boys to assess their own achievements or where they may need to review their learning outcomes.



Maths: Year 7s were doing a revision lesson on the unit of coordinates for their up-coming unit test.



English: This was lesson 3 of the 'Much Ado About Nothing' scheme of work with class 7b/En2.

The pupils were introduced to new characters in the play and were looking at the relationships between the characters. Previous lessons were focused on ensuring the pupils understand the complex language that was used by Shakespeare. In this lesson in particular, the pupils were introduced to Iambic Pentameter. They started by fully understanding how to identify and what constitutes as Iambic pentameter, which includes understanding the rhythm and rhyme of the line as well as the length, and even how it looks on the page.

Once this was achieved, the pupils began writing their own sentences in Iambic Pentameter. The pupils loved doing this, as they all began clapping in the time of the Iambic Pentameter to check whether they had achieved the task.



Take a sneak peek into our Year 7 Art Class.....

Art: The pictures below show Year 7 artists at work on their paintings. Their work is based on pattern and symmetry, and is inspired by drawing South Asian artefacts. The pupils also studied the work of the contemporary artist Dominic Beattie (who is also an ex-Hurstmere pupil).



"I really like Art because you can draw world artefacts."
Henry D

"I get to create stuff and be inventive."
Callum A

"I've always liked drawing and having the chance to be creative."
Phoenix B

"I'm really good at Art! My favourite drawing was of a Mexican statue."
Evan B

"Art is so good, you never run out of options, as there is always something more you can do."
Jonathan G

Year 7 Honours Programme



Pupils undertook their last 'seminar' on glaciation this week as part of the Honours Programme. The session focused on the impact of climate change in the Arctic and Antarctica, and how melting glaciers will impact us in the future. Pupils were very engaged with lots of discussions taking place on how this would affect different countries all over the world. Mr Monksfield has been blown away by the ability of the pupils to think critically and engage in a challenging topic of geography.

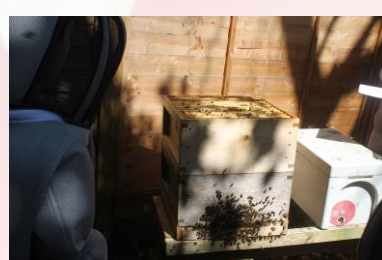
Year 7 Hands-On Project

This year, Hurstmere opened its very own Apiary!

We started with 2 hives and within the first 2 weeks, both colonies had killed and started to replace their queens. We left them to it and luckily, they produced 2 well-tempered queens that now head both colonies. The bees were inspected by over 30 pupils last summer term from Years 7-11 and a number of staff too. Many pupils returned and helped extract the honey and jar it. In recognition for their hard work, the boys were gifted a jar of the delicious honey that our bees produced (it really was the best honey we had ever tasted). The beekeeping season starts again in April, and I will be looking for pupils to join our club! Before that we shall be making frames and new stands in anticipation! Buzzing for it...

Mr Wright

If anyone has any wellington boots they can donate, we would appreciate them for our visits to the bees.



And the Principal Reward goes to...



Year 7

James C, Charlie A, Jacob F, Matteo C, Farris K, Dillion M, Ismail S, Henry H, Lucas N, Elliott B, Oliver A, Oliver B, Gustaw N, Thomas J, Jack Holmes, Vasian S, Harrison D, Luke D and Phoenix B have been nominated for **Self-Belief** and **Ambition**, for writing a short dystopian story which has been published in a book, for the Honours Programme. Zac H, George D and Louie H have been nominated for **Ambition** and **Leadership** in recognition for their work during Lunchtime News Club.

Year 8

Bobby L was nominated for **Respect** and **Integrity**, shown in French lessons.

Year 9

Zander L was nominated for **Self-Belief** and **Ambition** in recognition for completing over 20 quizzes on the Accelerated Reading programme.

Year 10

Luke B was nominated for **Self-Belief** and **Ambition**, achieving a grade 9 in his latest key piece.

Shawn Z, William H, Daniel W, Jack R, Shiahanth P and William L were nominated for **Ambition** and are making excellent progress in Triple Science Physics.

Jack Petchy Awards

Five boys in Year 9 (Ashton, Elliott, George, Thinusan and Ben) formed a band called “High 5” last year, and they have continued to enjoy working in Studio Fix, writing their own song called “Weightless”. This song was performed on 14th June 2023, representing Hurstmere School in the Jack Petchy Award Ceremony at the Orchard Theatre.



Jack Petchy Award Ceremony at the Orchard Theatre, Dartford on 14th June 2023



We asked our Year 7s what advice they had for the incoming year group...



Enjoy Year 7 as it's the best year; don't be nervous because you'll soon find your way around and meet friends.
Lewis M

Choose good, well-behaved friends, so you don't get into trouble.
Charlie D



Be yourself, work hard and listen in class.
Kai U

Stay focused and always try your best.
Ollie S



Speak to teachers if you have a problem, as they care about you.
Charlie



Hurstmere is really cool, but there are strict teachers so you have to listen and do your work.
Harry



I remember being scared about starting secondary school, but it's really fine now. After a couple of weeks, you'll know how things work and realise it's all good.
Daniel



Just be yourself and always be a nice person. Ask for help if you need it.
Teddy



Rewards Trip

The Year 9s Rewards Trip was a visit to the Lee Valley Ice Centre. This was a great way to celebrate the boys' achievements- they attended the press opening for the new Lee Valley Ice Rink and had an enjoyable afternoon.



The Lee Valley Ice Centre is located in Leyton, in the Lower Lea Valley, London. Figure Skating, ice hockey and public skating sessions are all available at the centre.

Address: Lee Bridge Rd, London E10 7QL

Alumni News



Eden Blake-Hopley, one of our ex-pupils who left in 2012, is currently serving as a Royal Marine Commando and was part of the Kings Coronation.



BBC NEWS

Jamie Moreland

On Wednesday 14th June 2023, Jamie Moreland, an ex pupil of Hurstmere from 2011-2016, spent an hour with 25 Year 7 pupils, selected by their tutors and RSL. Jamie discussed the importance of the R-TRAILS in adult life, his career path, and gave the pupils tips for how to take initiative for their future careers and inspired the pupils to pitch AI news stories to him. Pupils watched a selection of his BBC News content and were really motivated and positive about the event.

The pupils said: "I liked how it proves you can be anything you want to be as he showed us how he began by starting a news club in school. Now he works at the BBC. "

"I liked sharing my ideas for news with Jamie. He was inspirational and is resilient as he talked about not always getting accepted for jobs. He interviewed YouTubers who were running for Mayor of London, which I enjoyed watching."

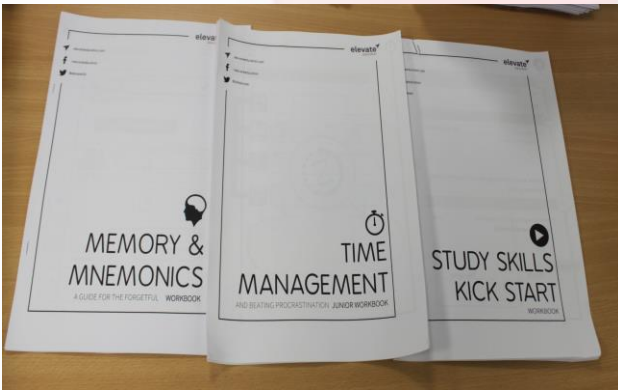
"I liked working in a team to pitch an idea to Jamie."

Jamie said of the experience:

"It was wonderful speaking with the Year 7s in PSHE about finding and following career passions, whether in journalism or otherwise. Seeing the pupils so engaged and asking lots of questions was fantastic, as they seemed really pleased to take away tips for story telling, creativity and beginning a career."



Visitors News: Elevate



On Monday 12th June our Year 7, 8, 9 and 10 pupils spent one hour in a study skills workshop with a representative from Elevate Study Skills. The interactive sessions looked at different aspects of study skills such as time management and how to create mnemonics. Pupils found the session useful, especially as many are facing end of year tests. Some pupil comments from the feedback included:

"I learnt how to revise properly and work at my best level."

"I now know how to take notes and memorise them."

"The session was very helpful and has given me the confidence in my revision skills."



School Visitors

Hi, my name is **John Simmonds**. I've been teaching drums as a peripatetic teacher for a while now! The emphasis is on enjoyment and encouragement to fulfill their potential. I work one-to-one with my pupils and use the Trinity College drum kit syllabus as our basis. Ideally, my pupils sit graded exams, but there's no compulsion. I also help support them if they are in a live performance to learn and perfect pieces. I'm always keen to hear suggestions for pieces they want to learn and can accompany them on guitar or piano. We also use the Trinity pieces for their GCSE music practicals, where they can really enhance their grades. Most of all, I try to help them become creative and curious and enjoy the instrument I've enjoyed for many years.

Bailey having a Drum lesson with Mr Simmonds



Charlton Athletics F.C

Ex-Charlton Ladies Player, Kim Dixon, along with her colleagues have been visiting Hurstmere and mentoring some of our boys. During this 10-week group session, the boys form a social action plan. The boys have really enjoyed these sessions, as you can see from the pictures below.



Year 8 & 9 Wellbeing workshop - Fitter , Stronger - Recharge

The aim of this workshop is to help the pupils be more effective in school and resilient against challenges and difficulties. The sessions are designed to Motivate and Recharge pupils by improving confidence, teamwork, and mental strength. Themes include overcoming fear, asking for help, stress release through exercise, managing peer pressure, sleep, anxiety, goal setting and how to be heard.



Sporting News

Year 7s Cricket Team's first win versus Wilmington Grammar, winning by overall 45 runs.



Hurstmere Year 7 Cricket Stars, won by 11 runs after an incredible come-back



Unfortunately, Year 8 lost by 20 runs to Chislehurst and Sidcup Grammar School. Great effort from everyone!



Bexley Cricket Club Performance of the month award for May 2023 goes to our very own Mr Brown for his contributions with the bat – Well batted Champ.



Our Year 9 Cricket Leaders gave up their time to volunteer as umpires, scorers and coaches this week as Hurstmere hosted one of the Bexley School Games, 'Dynamos Cricket Heats', attended by 6 local Primary Schools. Dynamos Cricket is a soft-ball countdown pairs format which replicates the format played by children at clubs. This format is easily adapted so that it's fun and engaging for all young people, no matter their ability. Our leaders did a great job in ensuring everyone understood the game, whilst maintaining the fun element. All 6 schools will now go on to compete in the Bexley Finals next week.



Library News



Hurstmere's New Dungeon Master- Henry B, Y10

"For me Dungeons and Dragons is the highlight of my week; being able to forget my worries for an hour and just getting lost in a fantasy world. Being a Dungeon Master is also amazing, maybe even more so than just playing because I can create my own world, my own kingdoms. I can create Elder Gods waging war against an assembled guild of paladins. Anything is possible and I am in control."

Our Dungeons and Dragons Club is full until our next campaign. Speak to Miss Netherwood to register your interest.



Come and join us at Chess Club on Tuesdays after school and become the next Magnus Carlsen. Learn new techniques, play styles and challenge your peers and teachers. Will you be Hurstmere's next Chess Champion?



Carnegie Book Awards

Every spring, CILIP invites reading groups in libraries to get involved with shadowing. This is where pupils have a voice and a vote in who wins the Carnegie Shadower's Choice Award. If you love to read and want to see your favourite book win, speak to Miss Netherwood today!



Library Opening Hours:

Before School from 8am, Break time, Lunch time and After School until 4pm. Board games are available for pupils to use in their free time. Remember to return your library books before the summer break!

"The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn, the more places you will go." –Dr. Seuss

Accent Catering – Summer Menu



[Click here for Summer Menu 2023](#)



Careers News

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CAREERS NEWSLETTER

This newsletter is a calendar of all the opportunities we've heard about from employers and universities. Please use the links included to read more information and apply to anything you are interested in. Links are underlined.

OPPORTUNITIES

Would you like to work in the Gaming industry in the future? Start your journey into games now using the blog and website. What are you looking to find in a career, build a game, go to an event, get a mentor or find opportunities, there is something for everyone. [Click here for more info](#)

The new 2023 rankings for the Top 300 Apprenticeships, Employers and Top 50 SME Apprenticeship Employers will be announced during a special live broadcast, celebrating the country's leading apprenticeship employers. Be the first to hear which employers are featured in this year's new rankings by [clicking here](#)

Throughout the rest of the year, UK University search fairs happen across the UK that allows you to meet universities, attend webinars and network with people who can help you in the future. You can see [the dates and find a fair near you](#)

Not sure that university is for you? Would you rather find out about apprenticeship opportunities? Fear not, there is a career fair for that too! The Festival of Apprenticeships takes place at three locations across the UK. You can see [all the dates and find a fair near you](#)

Elite Model Camp are award winning fashion designers who are under 18. The information can be found [here](#) and the email can be contacted if you are interested in [this link](#)

If you have any questions or need support, please email careers@hurstmere.org.uk

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OPPORTUNITIES

Now in its third year, The Side Hustle Initiative is a nationwide campaign helping young entrepreneurs grow their own business. Hosted by Lord Judge, The Apprentice star and first ever winner, Tim C. Groves, the competition is open to anyone aged 18-30 in the UK. You can enter individually or in teams of up to 4. There is a £10,000 prize pool available for the top 20 young entrepreneurs to help accelerate the growth of their business of choice. [Click here for more info](#)

The GoodWork Early Careers Programme gives young people aged 18-25, the opportunity to kickstart their career and access the training, support and consultancy they need to be successful. Our Early Career programme is a paid, six-month long, internship programme, based in London. The first two weeks of the programme are dedicated to paid, full-time, intensive, hands-on training. You'll spend the rest of the programme gaining on-the-job experience in a host of organisations, who will help you learn about their business and develop the core skills that you need to fulfil your role. Applications open from Friday 5 May to Friday 7 June. [Read more about the programme](#)

Are you considering what to study at university in the future? These [basic skills subjects](#) (taken from university) are aimed towards 16-18 year olds, what different subjects cover an overview, where they could lead your career and what to expect on the course.

Your Government has four main areas to their offer: [Digital Skills](#), [Tech](#), [Employability](#), [Mobility](#), [Wellbeing](#). Each offers a range of digital training courses that help improve the things you do to develop your skills and confidence. They also have a CV builder as all of the courses you complete with YourGov.com will be automatically added to your CV.

If you have any questions or need support, please email careers@hurstmere.org.uk

All Year 9, 10 & 11 pupils have access to our weekly Careers Newsletter, packed with interesting guidance and advice.

The Newsletter is also uploaded weekly onto our website.

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Friends Of Hurstmere School

Friends of Hurstmere proudly presents our first fundraising event...

QUIZ NIGHT!

Friday 16 June

6.30pm for a 7.00pm start
at Hurstmere School, Hurst Road

Please contact
friendsofhurstmere@hurstmere.org.uk
to book in your team and make payment

£5 per person. Teams of up to 8!

Bring your own bottle!
Fish & Chips available to pre order
Come and join the fun, all the family are welcome!



Please see the flyer above for our first Friends of Hurstmere fundraising event.

Year 11 Teams are welcome with parent supervision
(all family members welcome).

Any Quizmasters out there, please contact us !

We will also be selling raffle tickets on the evening, so if you would like to donate a prize/bottle, please hand these into reception.

Lark in the Park
27th - 31st July
Sidcup Place
2023

A free event for the whole community!
Kids clubs, youth activities, entertainment for over 60's,
outdoor stage, art zone, Rooted Coffee House and lots more.
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larksidcup.com

Bromley
THE LONDON BOROUGH
www.bromley.gov.uk

Summer Holiday Activity Clubs
24 July - 17 August
10am-2pm
Venues confirmed

- ★ Gray's Farm Primary Academy, Grays Farm Road, Orpington, BR5 3AD
- ★ Manor Oak Primary School, Sweeps Lane, Orpington, BR5 3PE

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Alzheimer's Society
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Over 10,000 children in the South East are in need of care, and the number is growing. ❤️ We urgently need more foster parents in your area to help give a child a safe and loving home. Make 2023 the year you change a child's life.

Could you foster? ❤️

Children in Foster Care Need You

Information for Parents

Diary Dates

16th May – 21st June 2023:	Year 11 GCSEs
29th June 2023:	Year 11 Leavers Day Celebration (11.30am – 1pm)
4 th & 5 th July 2023:	Induction Days For New Year 7s (8.30am – 2.30pm)
Thursday 6 th July 2023:	New Year 7 Parents Welcome Evening 5.30 – 7pm
Thursday 13 th July 2023:	Year 7 Parents Evening 4 – 7pm
Friday 21st July 2023:	Last Day (Early Closure)
24th August 2023:	GCSE Results Day (10 – 12am)

Term Dates



Last day of Summer Term is Friday 21st July 2023 (Early Closure)

Autumn Term starts Tuesday 5th September 2023

INSET Days– 4th Sept, 20th Oct, 30th Oct, 1st Dec 2023, 19th Feb 2024

Half Term – Our last day is Thursday 19th October 2023

Back to school on Tuesday 31st October 2023

Last day of Autumn Term is Thursday 21st December 2023 (Early Closure)

Spring Term starts Monday 8th January 2024

Half Term – Last Day is 9th February 2024

Back to school – Tuesday 20th February 2024

Last day of Spring Term is Thursday 28th March 2024

Term Dates for Summer Term 2024 are available on our school website

