

CADEMYNEWS

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Hartshill Academy New Build Tour



Following the recent Topping Out ceremony Wates, the team building our new school, invited a group of staff to visit our new building recently and they were thrilled to see the internal progress. Walls and doorways are now in place and staff were able to see the size of rooms and the lay out of the building. This week in assemblies pupils have begun to see the plans for the layout inside the school and the wonderful facilities we will have next year. We are currently on track to receive the keys to the new building on 28th August ready for the Autumn Term. We can't wait for the next visit!

Introduction from our Principal

Welcome to the first edition of our new Hartshill Academy Bulletin. We are moving to a new format that will be published monthly with latest news from each subject and upcoming events. Last month has been very busy with sports fixtures, Year 11 mock exams, the Year 10 Macbeth performance and the Year 7 trips to Coventry University that went out just before the end of term.

After a couple of false starts we finally had Year 9 Pathways Evening. Thank you to everyone who joined us for this event to support our pupils to make informed decisions about their subject choices for the next two years. If you have any further questions please don't hesitate to contact your child's form tutor or Pastoral Leader.

Thank you again for your patience with the many disruptions we have had last term we are very much looking forward to being in the new build next year!



English and Languages Faculty

March was an exciting month for the English Department! On Tuesday 14th March, Year 10 watched a performance of Macbeth in the Main Hall by the fantastic Quantum Theatre Company. Not only this, but there was also a trip for our Year 10 and Year 11 pupils to the Curve Theatre in Leicester on the 23rd of March to see An Inspector Calls! A month of thespian fun!



TOP 10 SCHOOL LEADERS		
Name	Maths class	Total XP
Ethan	8a/Ma1	60,090
Leah	10a/Ma1	32,283
Henley	9a/Ma1	20,057
Izzy	8b/Ma1	19,506
Michelle	8b/Ma2	17,041
Harriet	9a/Ma2	16,672
Harley	7b/Ma2	16,552
Jessica	7b/Ma3	16,469
Megan	8b/Ma1	16,453
Riley-James	7a/Ma4	15,373

Mathematics and Computing Faculty

The maths department is working hard to accelerate progress with our new homework system, Sparx.

Every week pupils are competing to be placed on the leader board for the following categories: year group class leaders, year group pupil leaders, whole year group leader and the top 10 academy leaders. These places are earned through the XP points the system offers.

We are very proud of those pupils who have worked hard to be placed on the leader board and who have been recognised for their XP levels!

Science Faculty

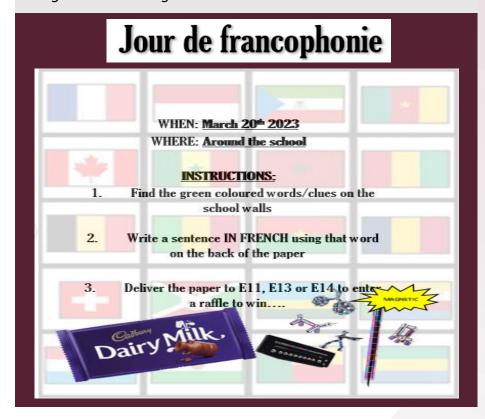
Year 5 pupils from Michael Drayton have been into Hartshill Academy for a visit to the Science department. Mr Williamson designed an ambitious investigation about craters as part of their Space topic. The pupils were required to think scientifically and were given the opportunity to develop their practical skills during their visit.

The Year 5 pupils were a credit to Michael Drayton and were really engaged in the project. They reflected the HART values of heart, ambition, respect and tenacity throughout their visit and have shown themselves to be guite the budding scientists!



Modern Languages

On March 20th it was French day, where pupils participated in a scavenger hunt and had the chance to order their lunch meal in French for a sweet. Throughout the day pupils found and collected French words that were hidden around the school and wrote a French sentence for the chance to win some fantastic prizes! We had some lovely participation from Year 7, 8 and 9's and they did a phenomenal job writing their French sentences and ordering their meals. Pupils wrote sentences based on the French they've learned this year, the winners are: Elena B. from 7D2 and Lily R. from 8A3. Congratulations and great work!



Humanities Faculty

The Humanities Faculty were really pleased to read the OFSTED report, particularly "The personal, social, health and economic education curriculum is well planned and sequenced. Pupils learn about topics such as healthy relationships, British values and online safety", highlighting the value of PSHE at Hartshill Academy. We are looking forward to Hinckley and Rugby Building Society delivering finance sessions to our Year 7 pupils and Compass Education delivering sessions to Year 10 pupils on drug education.

Pupils in Year 9 Geography have just completed their Beautiful Piece of Work to answer the Tectonic Hazards fertile question, fabulous work was completed, showing a depth of knowledge and understanding of this unit of work.



Creative and Performance Faculty

Spotlight: Art

This term Mrs Sheridan has been leading our Art homework projects in Year 7-9 with the first being The Mosaic Challenge. Pupils have been extremely adventurous creating beautiful mosaics in a variety of media.

What is a Mosaic? A mosaic is a picture or pattern produced by arranging together small pieces of stone, tile, glass or paper.

Here is an example of the work being created by our pupils and there are many more which will be displayed on the new homework boards in the Art rooms.



Pastoral update

Our Class Charts app has been a great success, giving parents a live feed on how we give rewards and sanctions – over 90% of everything on Class Charts is positive, which is simply wonderful! If you do not have the app yet, please let us know.

Our focus this term is attendance, with the launch of the HART Attendance Cup, where form groups are drawn against each other in a weekly fixture, with attendance securing the points. Good luck to all – attendance is key!



Safeguarding update

The Violet Project run a support group for those who are caring for someone who self-harms. It offers a chance for you to talk about your wellbeing, This group is online and runs on the third Tuesday of every month between 7 pm- 8:30 pm.

The Violet Project also offers a face-to-face monthly support group on the 2nd Tuesday of every month for <u>suicide bereavement</u> as well as an online monthly support group on the 4th Tuesday of every month.



Family Information Service (FIS)

We provide information, advice and one-toone support for families with children and young people aged 0 to 25 across Warwickshire on issues including:

family relationships, finance, housing. parenting support, special educational needs and disabilities (SEND), childcare, health and wellbeing.

Houses Update

House competitions are important to us at Hartshill and we had a lot of points on offer recently with British Science Week activities. There are plenty of House competitions to participate in across the Academy and the MAT over the next few terms. The competitions are engaging for all years within all departments, such as the Marble run, how many times can you get the basketball through the hoop and the current Humanities Competition.

For individual competitions, pupils receive 25 points for taking part and the winner gets an extra 5 points. House competition points are as follows: From the beginning of the academic year, the House in the lead from the competitions is Drayton Deer's, with 4716 points; followed by Barber Bear with 4059; Newton Nighthawk's with 4413 points and last but not least; Evan Eagles points. with 3871

