

CONNECT WITH THE HART

22 June 2018



In response to feedback received from parents and carers for improved communication between school and home, we have developed 'Connect With The Hart', a weekly newsletter which will be available via email and the school's website. Our intention is to keep you up-to-date with developments regarding five key areas of school life: achievement matters; effective learning; promoting high expectations; moving onto one site update and school events for the coming weeks.

Achievement matters – the importance of being prepared for learning

We are keen to inspire our students to become the leaders of tomorrow. Involvement in leadership and student voice activities can improve students' learning as well as helping them to develop the skills and traits needed for success outside of the classroom.

Over the next few weeks we will be advertising a variety of student leadership opportunities for all years to be involved in for next academic year. Students will be able to apply for positions including: Student Prefect; Student Ambassador; Student Council and 'The Hart of Rugeley' newspaper. Each role will have specific responsibilities and successful students will receive adequate training so that they can really excel in their position. Details will be shared with students during assemblies and tutor time and application packs will be available.

One site update

Preparations continue for the move to one site from 1 September 2018. In early July, the contractor will begin the refurbishment within the maths faculty; this work will not impact on teaching and learning. The remaining work will be carried out during the summer break. Parents and carers will be invited into school for a visual presentation, which will include before and after impressions. Your opinions and suggestions are important to us, please continue to use the dedicated email address feedback@hartschool.org.uk.

Effective learning

Over the last few weeks we have been busy planning and preparing pupils in Years 7, 8, 9 and 10 for their PPE assessments. We will use the results of these, together with on-going assessment, to establish what pupils have learnt and what gaps in learning need to be filled.

Teachers will use this information as they plan for the Autumn term to ensure that your child makes strong progress. They are currently reviewing schemes of learning and looking in particular at what assessments are going to be set.

Promoting high expectations

Thank you to everyone who have logged in to Class Charts. If you have not yet downloaded the Class Charts App, we would encourage you to do so.

A letter was sent home in April with your child's unique log in details and form tutors will be checking this week that each student has this code in their planner.

As we come to the end of a very busy year, please could you continue to support the school by ensuring that your child is wearing the correct uniform and is fully equipped for lessons.

It is likely that the weather will continue to be warm over the next week or so. If it is decided that it's too warm for blazers, this will be communicated to students on a daily basis. Students should bring their blazers to school each day, wear their tie and ensure shirts are tucked in. It is vitally important that students bring plenty of water to school. They are allowed to refill bottles during break and lunchtime, but will not be allowed out of lessons to minimise disruption to learning. Can we also remind parents and carers that if students choose to be in the sun during break and lunchtimes they should apply sun cream when necessary.



The Hart School Reward System: VIVOs are an online reward system linked to Class Charts where each pupil will be rewarded with real prizes for the hard work and effort they put in.



By year	
Year 7	179,819
Year 8	157,601
Year 9	169,188
Year 10	138,466

VIVO points by year..
Well done to Year 9 on their progress...

Top 3 VIVO earners this month...

Year	Total
Year 8 student	160
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Well done Year 8 !!!

Any VIVO questions contact Mr. Campbell

Events

Date	Event
Monday 25 June – Friday 29 June	Y10 PPEs - Upper School
Monday 25 June	Y8 & Y9 HPV2 vaccinations
	Y3 & Y4 Primary Schools' Tennis Tournament
	Y8 CET Design Live competition
Tuesday 26 June	Y7 Rounders tournament – Erasmus Darwin Academy
	Y10 History visit 1 to Kenilworth Castle
	Y3 & Y4 mixed Football League - Rugeley Leisure Centre
Tuesday 26 - Thursday 28 June	'Annie' rehearsals - Lower School Hall
Wednesday 27 June	GCE Mathematics exam – Upper School
Wednesday 27 – Friday 29 June	Y12 PPEs – Upper School
Thursday 28 June	Hob Hill Primary School Y5 problem solving session – Lower School
	Y7-Y10 Rounders tournament – Home vs The Friary
	Sixth Form CET event – Abbeyfield School, Northampton
Friday 29 June	Y10 History visit 2 to Kenilworth Castle
Saturday 30 June	Steel Pans performance at Henry Chadwick Primary School Summer Fayre – 12.00-3.00pm
Saturday 30 June – Sunday 1 July	The Duke of Edinburgh's Award Qualifying Expedition – The Peak District National Park

As always, if any parents/carers would like a telephone conversation with any of their child's teachers, or should you have any concerns that you wish to speak to our pastoral team about, contact Lower School on 01889 802440 or Upper School on 01889 571680.

Best wishes,

Chris Keen
Principal