

22 September 2023

MESSAGE FROM.... Miss Mason, Assistant Principal



I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself and to say how much I have enjoyed my first few weeks working at Hellesdon High School and Sixth Form.

As part of my Teaching and Learning role, I have the opportunity to visit students in their different lessons across the school. I have been very impressed with what I have seen so far. The students have been very personable and polite and happy to discuss their work. They have displayed excellent learning habits in the lessons I have visited.

Students have been investigating and questioning in their lessons, learning how to form and express their opinions on a range of different subjects, and applying their knowledge to new scenarios. I saw key stage 4 Science students building circuits, investigating ionic bonds and discovering enzyme lock and key theory via the use of Play Doh! I witnessed Year 8 Spanish students demonstrating determination and confidence with their vocabulary and speaking skills. I joined an English lesson with Year 7 students where they responded to images and sound with exciting vocabulary. In Maths, key stage 4 students applied their knowledge to independently solve a range of different problems. In Geography, students were collaborating with their teacher to work through some exam style questions.

These are just a few examples. I am looking forward to visiting more lessons over this half term and getting to know the students and seeing their progress. I would like to thank the students and staff for making me feel so welcome.

THEME OF THE WEEK

for week commencing 25 September

“Should UK supermarkets warn us about shrinkflation?”

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- 5 October - Open Evening, 6.00pm – 8.30pm
- 10 October - School Photos, 9.00am – 2.30pm
- 12 October - Year 10 & 11 Information Evening, 6.30pm – 7.30pm
- 19 October - Year 7 Meet the Tutors Evening, 4.00pm – 7.00pm

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN SCHOOL NEXT WEEK.....

Year 7 – Eaton Vale Trip - We are really looking forward in taking our Year 7's to Eaton Vale Activity Centre next week! Thank you to parents/carers for completing the Consent Form, if you have not completed the form, please see *attached letter with the Consent Form link, the letter also includes **“what will my child need”**.

GENERAL NOTICES/NEWS STORIES

- **Year 7 Parent/Carers** – we are sending our Year 7 SIMs parent/carer invitations today (22.09.23) and we have *attached are the instructions on how to access your child's account.
- **Year 11 Parent/Carers** – Sixth Form Open Evening – go to our **Sixth Form section below**.
- **School Photos** - It's that time of year again for our student's individual photos to be taken on Tuesday, 10 October for Years 7-11. We will also be offering siblings photos on that day. If you would like your children to have a siblings photo taken, please email Mr. Berry at eberry2sr8@nsix.org.uk by **Tuesday, 3 October 2023**.
- **School Trip** - Our Music Department took twelve KS4/5 Music students to see Damp Matches' hometown show at the Arts Centre recently. To read more about this on our webpage click on the link [Damp Matches'](#)
- **New Sports Facilities at HHS** - for the full news story on our webpage click on the link [New Sports Facilities](#)
- **Open Evening** – for information about our up and coming Open Evening, click the link to our webpage [Open Evening](#).

ATTACHMENTS

For your information, we have attached to the Bulletin information regarding:

- Year 7 Eaton Vale Trip letter
- Year 7 Instructions for Sims Parent



NEWS FROM OUR SIXTH FORM

Diary Dates

- 26 September - Y13 Post 18 and UCAS Evening – 6.30pm in the Main School Hall
- 26 September - Cake Sale at Breaktime in the Dining area to raise funds for the Sixth Form Ball click link to view poster [Cake Sale Poster](#)
- 1 November – Sixth Form Open Evening

Sixth Form Open Evening – 1 November 2023

For information about the evening, please click the link to our webpage below

[Sixth Form Open Evening](#)

Live and Learn Sessions

Y12 and Y13 have had a fantastic start to the new school year. To get the students in a positive and focused mindset we invited a company called Live and Learn to hold sessions with them. To find out more and see some photos go to our webpage [Live and Learn News Story](#)

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We're committed to working with parents and carers to ensure your child feels happy and safe in school. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the school office.

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