

6 October 2023

MESSAGE FROM.... Mr Earl, Principal



I have been overwhelmed to see how much our school community has pulled together in what has been a challenging and busy week for Hellesdon High.

As you may have read in the letter sent to parents/carers on Monday, former teacher Jo Mueller died last weekend at the age of 64. This has left our school community shocked and saddened and Ms Mueller's family and friends have been in our thoughts all week.

Ms Mueller was a teacher at Hellesdon High School for almost 20 years before she retired in August and it is extremely sad she passed away just as she started this new chapter.

Additional pastoral support has been available to students all week. If you are concerned and think your child may need additional care and support at this time, then please do not hesitate to contact the Pastoral Team.

You will also be aware that the school has been visited by Ofsted this week. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all our staff, students and parents/carers for their support during the inspection. It was a positive two days and we will share the outcomes of the inspection with you once we have the final report.

We were delighted to see so many Y6 students with their parents/carers at last night's Y6 Open Evening, it certainly was an extremely busy evening and there was a real buzz in the air. The students had the opportunity to try out new things, visit a wide range of subjects and fully interact with all our wonderful students who had given up their evening to help out across all departments. These occasions are always special as they provide the opportunity for parents/carers and their children to get a real feel of everything the school has to offer should they decide to join our community.

Of course, there is an awful lot of planning that goes into ensuring these evenings run smoothly, so we would like to thank everyone involved in making last night such a memorable occasion. Speaking in public to a large audience is no easy task, so special thanks goes to all our Senior Prefects, our two Head Students Faith and Rowan and to our two incredibly brave Y7 students Evie and Wade who gave such a wonderful account of their first 4 weeks at Hellesdon High. We would also like to thank the parents/carers for transporting our student helpers yesterday, your support ensured that the evening was a success.

THEME OF THE WEEK
for week commencing 9 October
"Should the UK open new oil fields?"

DATES FOR YOUR

- **10 October** - School Photos, 9.00am – 2.30pm
- **12 October** - Year 11 Journey to Excellence Evening, 6.00pm – 7.30pm (*previously publicised as Y11 Information Evening*)
- **19 October** - Year 7 Meet the Tutors Evening, 4.00pm – 7.00pm – see General Notices/News Stories

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

All Year groups - School photos will be taking place on Tuesday next week, students will be told in Tutor on Monday which Period they will be having their photos taken.

GENERAL NOTICES/NEWS STORIES

Year 7 – We have emailed letters today to our Year 7 parents/carers regarding Meet the Tutor Evening. The letter has details on how to book an appointment to meet your child's tutor and instructions on how to use the online Parents' Evening Booking System. The online booking system will go 'live' on **Monday, 9 October 2023** the link will be within the letter, but also you can click the link here [Parents' Evening Booking System](#).

Year 10 – Year 10 Journey to Excellence Evening, previously publicised in last week's Bulletin as Year 10 Information Evening, will **not** be taking place on **12 October**. The date for this is **Thursday, 9 November 2023**. Year 10 parents/carers will receive a letter shortly.



NEWS FROM OUR SIXTH FORM

Sixth Form Open Evening – 1 November 2023

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

[Sixth Form Open Evening](#)

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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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