

Heckler

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Happy New Year



HECKMONDWIKE
GRAMMAR SCHOOL

What a start to the term!

A huge thanks to everyone who supported the Covid testing process to ensure all our students returned to school safely after the Christmas break. We very much appreciated the cooperation of all concerned to manage the phased start which we recognise may have caused inconvenience to some. It was impressive how many students attended for testing and it is a credit to you and your families as to how well they conducted themselves in the process.

Please continue to test twice a week and report all results to NHS Test and Trace as well as to school. We are expecting a delivery of test kits very soon but if you are running low, spares are available from Student Services. Just to remind you that face coverings should be worn by all students (unless exempt) in all settings.

Please see the website for an update regarding self-isolation and lateral flow testing.

**FOR EVERYONE'S
SAFETY**



**PLEASE WEAR A
FACEMASK
WHEN MOVING AROUND
SCHOOL AND IN
LESSONS**

Please help keep everyone safe and continue with the
twice weekly testing

**COVID-19
TESTING**

Please report ALL results on the school website -
see link below

[Report results here](#)

For the latest guidance on lateral flow testing and self-isolation please click [link](#)

Christmas, Carols & Candlelight

Just before the end of term we held our annual Christmas Carol Service. After moving it online last year we were determined to perform in person this year. However, during the final week there were increasing concerns about holding indoor events and it was touch and go whether we would be able to perform in our usual venue of St. James Church. So, at the last minute we decided to move it outside!

The final few days before the end of term saw orders from Amazon of candles and fairy lights, lanterns borrowed from local churches and a year 7 Art class were busy making snow flakes. The Christmas tree was moved outside, the site staff were up ladders hanging lights, the music staff were busy re-arranging the outside furniture and the catering staff were stirring the mulled wine! Finally, after a last minute instruction to our performers to 'wrap up warm' we were ready.

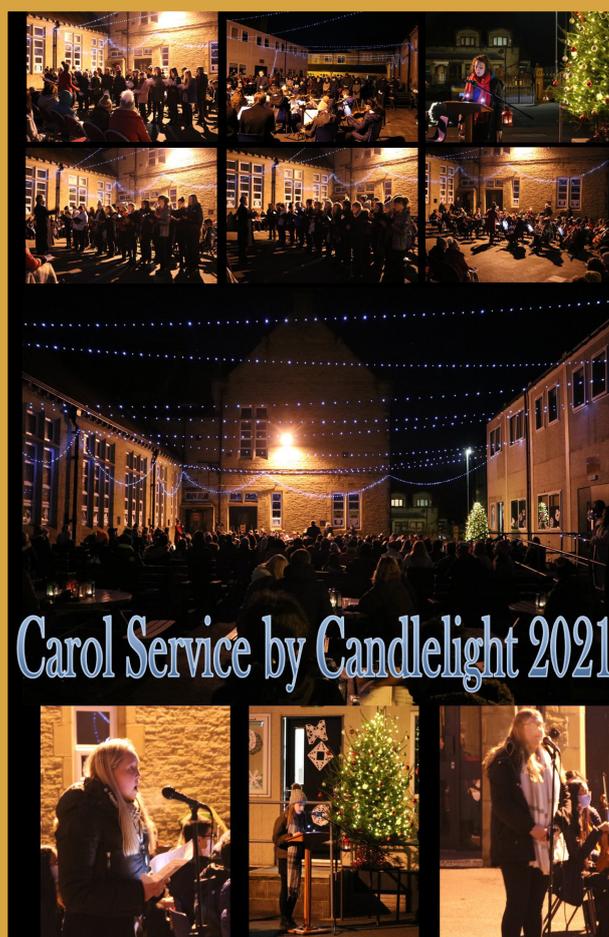
The service started in a traditional way with a solo voice from Blossom Palmer singing the first verse of Once in Royal David's City. We were then delighted the Reverend Karen Young could join us from St James Church to lead the opening prayers.

There was a variety of music from our band, soloists and choirs. The band performed The Shepherds Song, Miracle on 34th Street and a lovely arrangement called 'Noel'. There were two traditional pieces by the Senior Girls Chamber Choir of Away in a Manger and Angels from the Realms of Glory. The reduced Junior Choir (only 30 this time!) sang the very apt Cold December Night, followed by City of Stars and War is Over. The Senior Choir performed Carol of the Bells, Ding Dong Merrily on High and Silent Night – all in an a cappella style.

There were three outstanding solo features during the evening. Eleanor Turner and Kyran Russell (both year 10) once again delighted us with another Nikki Iles jazz violin and piano feature of Noël Nouvelet. Molly Lawford (year 12) sang the Norah Jones song Peace, accompanied expertly by Eleanor Lilley (year 12) on the piano with lots of jazz harmonies. Jessica Hirst (year 13) performed the final solo of O Holy Night. It was lovely to hear Jess sing for her final Carol Service as she was our soloist for Once in Royal way back when she was in year 7. Something for Blossom to think about for the future!

Our readers for the nine lessons and prayers battled with the dew soaked lecturn but read excellently. They were Amelia Kellet (Head Girl), Leo Beevers (Head Boy), Zach Brooks (year 7), Ava Clark-Speight (year 8), Mythreyi Kumaravel (year 9), Leesha Dubey (year 10), Lola Freakley (year 11), Martha Currie (year 12), Olivia Smith (year 12), with the final lesson traditionally read by the Head Teacher Mr Roberts.

There were our traditional carols sung by the congregation, including the final carol of Hark the Herald Angels Sing taken rather quickly as the cold was starting to be felt by everyone! As always, the Carol Service is a great way to end the term with a Christmas glow and a carol to sing. And although it was a little cold towards the end, it was lovely to finally enjoy our Carols by Candlelight.



Sadie Bakes

Sadie Tidswell, a Year 10 student is a keen baker and took up the opportunity to start baking

her business during COVID. She was recently asked to take part in the Yorkshire Pop Up event in November 2021, which was based at Superfood Bowl in



Cleckheaton. She made about 150 cupcakes, comprising of 6 different varieties one of which was a vegan option, these were then sold to people who attended. It was a very successful day and she sold out!



Good to see Sadie, that you are putting your GCSE choices of business and food tech to some good use!



Parent Notices

Thursday 13 January 2022

Year 8 Options Evening -
details to be communicated by email

Monday 17 - Thursday 20 January 2022

Year 11 Sixth Form Consultations

details emailed Thursday 6 January 2022

Thursday 3 February 2022

Year 8 Virtual Parents Evening -

Invites to attend will be emailed w/c 17 January

Monday 14 February 2022

Year 8 Options Deadline

VALENTINE'S RAFFLE



Do you want to do some good with gifts that left you uninspired?

Why not donate them to our school Valentine's Raffle?

Donations are now being accepted in the main reception

All funds raised from the selling of the raffle tickets will be used to enhance the education of HGS students

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Extra Spring 2022 CURRICULAR



Last term saw the launch of the extra-curricular programme with a myriad of activities taking place as varied as chess, yarn, sporting academies, eco clubs and subject specific catch up clubs. Our students really embraced the opportunity of taking part in these clubs and we have just seen the first '1898' awards being presented to students in each year group in recognition of their participation.

The Spring Term's calendar of extra-curricular activities shows the programme going from strength and there really is something that everyone can get involved in. The problem is less about what you can do, rather than finding the time to fit everything in! It's a nice problem to have, and long may it last. Remember, any activity

attended will gain students '1898 points' which contribute to their House as well as to their own scorecard. We still welcome students setting up their own clubs and this will earn additional '1898 points' as well. If you are interested in running a club, please see Mr Barnett. Please see the Heckler and the screens around school for further details about the activities advertised here.

What are you waiting for? Let's get involved!



School Musical Production
Music and Drama Department
Swann Hall, Drama Studio

Take part in this year's School Musical. Auditions taking place now. Other help is always needed backstage if you don't want to tread the boards!

7	8	9	M	T	Before School
10	11	12	W	T	Lunchtime
13	Staff	F			After School



DofE: Silver
Mrs Swann P105

Expedition Training.

7	8	9	M	T	Before School
10	11	12	W	T	Lunchtime
13	Staff	F			After School

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Perudo Club
Mr Tipler S104

Learn to strategise your way to victory with this 500 year-old South American dice game, as seen in 'Pirates of the Caribbean'.

7	8	9	M	T	Before School
10	11	12	W	T	Lunchtime
13	Staff	F			After School



Mindfulness Club
Mrs Shahzad C012

Mindfulness club open to all year 8 students who just want to relax and improve their mental well-being.

7	8	9	M	T	Before School
10	11	12	W	T	Lunchtime
13	Staff	F			After School



Maker Club
Mr Stone B103

Create fun electronic projects using Raspberry Pi and Arduino. You could create anything from a secret lock box to a parent sensor to warn you when your parents or siblings are near! You will be looking at how to link electronics and sensors to programming to create your own systems.

7	8	9	M	T	Before School
10	11	12	W	T	Lunchtime
13	Staff	F			After School



Textiles Society Club
Student Leaders S026

Come along and use your creativity for knitting, sewing, crocheting and other such crafts.

7	8	9	M	T	Before School
10	11	12	W	T	Lunchtime
13	Staff	F			After School



Chess Club
Mrs Dare P004

Play chess in school! Come along and develop your chess moves.

7	8	9	M	T	Before School
10	11	12	W	T	Lunchtime
13	Staff	F			After School



KS4/5 Sonder - Drama Society Club
Mrs Hellewell B002

Opportunity to develop all areas of professional theatre aspects with the aim of touring our productions. See Mrs Hellewell for further details.

7	8	9	M	T	Before School
10	11	12	W	T	Lunchtime
13	Staff	F			After School



Year 11 Book Club
Mrs Dye P104

A weekly reading for pleasure book club to broaden students' reading experience. We will share our enjoyment and critical awareness of different books.

7	8	9	M	T	Before School
10	11	12	W	T	Lunchtime
13	Staff	F			After School



Kahoot Club
Student Leaders B005

A club where students can play and use Kahoot to aid their learning.

7	8	9	M	T	Before School
10	11	12	W	T	Lunchtime
13	Staff	F			After School

Clubs & Societies

Extra CURRICULAR

Spring Term 2022



Junior Debate Club
Student Leaders P105

Learn and hone your debating skills.

7	8	9	M	T	Before School
10	11	12	W	T	Lunchtime
13	Staff	F			After School



Senior Debate Club
Student Leaders P105

Learn and hone your debating skills.

7	8	9	M	T	Before School
10	11	12	W	T	Lunchtime
13	Staff	F			After School



Astronomy Club
Mr Drake S103

A club for discussing all aspects of space and astronomy using the Faulkes Telescope.

7	8	9	M	T	Before School
10	11	12	W	T	Lunchtime
13	Staff	F			After School



3D Print Club
Student Leaders B005

Develop your skills in 3D Printing.

7	8	9	M	T	Before School
10	11	12	W	T	Lunchtime
13	Staff	F			After School



Rubik's Cube Club
Student Leaders B006

Develop your skills in solving the Rubik's Cube and other problems.

7	8	9	M	T	Before School
10	11	12	W	T	Lunchtime
13	Staff	F			After School



Science Investigators Club
Mrs Bailey & Mrs Edwards C201 or C211

Developing scientific skills in all three sciences to build on your problem solving ability

7	8	9	M	T	Before School
10	11	12	W	T	Lunchtime
13	Staff	F			After School



Games Club
Student Leaders

See Ellie and Bhavya for more information.

7	8	9	M	T	Before School
10	11	12	W	T	Lunchtime
13	Staff	F			After School



KS3 Youth Theatre Club
Miss Rattigan & Mr Jeffery B002 Studio

A club that allows students to partake in plays such as The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe.

7	8	9	M	T	Before School
10	11	12	W	T	Lunchtime
13	Staff	F			After School

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	Junior Dodgeball Club Mr Mullaney Sports Hall	Come along and learn the 5 Ds of DodgeBall: dodge, duck, dip, dive and dodge.	7 8 9 M T 10 11 12 W T 13 Staff F Before School Lunchtime After School
	Warhammer/Tabletop Gaming Club Mr Haigh S104	A place for Warhammer fans to meet up, discuss and rain down chaos on rival armies.	7 8 9 M T 10 11 12 W T 13 Staff F Before School Lunchtime After School
	Disney Movie Club Miss Almond F006	A different Disney movie will be selected each week for students to enjoy - students then pop along if they would like to watch!	7 8 9 M T 10 11 12 W T 13 Staff F Before School Lunchtime After School
	Dungeons and Dragons Club Mr Dyer F007	Students will be invited to learn and play Dungeons and Dragons, a role playing game where players guide the heroes they create through quests for treasure, battles with deadly foes, daring rescues, courtly intrigue, and much more.	7 8 9 M T 10 11 12 W T 13 Staff F Before School Lunchtime After School
	Maths Club Mrs Jarvis S001	Maths enrichment for KS3 & 4 students e.g. National Cipher Challenge in the Autumn Term.	7 8 9 M T 10 11 12 W T 13 Staff F Before School Lunchtime After School
	LGBTQ+ Club Harry Duggan C208	This club aims to create a safe space in HGS for students who identify as LGBTQ+. Allows students to meet with other LGBTQ+ students. Create peer support for issues around being LGBTQ+.	7 8 9 M T 10 11 12 W T 13 Staff F Before School Lunchtime After School
	Eco Club Student Leaders	Get involved in finding eco-friendly solutions to the worlds problems. See Phoebe and Manvita for more detail.	7 8 9 M T 10 11 12 W T 13 Staff F Before School Lunchtime After School
	Politics Society Club Student Leaders	Want to talk about current affairs and politics? See Yusuf for more information.	7 8 9 M T 10 11 12 W T 13 Staff F Before School Lunchtime After School

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Music		Music - String Group Mrs Hutton-Searle F102	Open to all string players. Open to all from spring.	7 8 9 M T 10 11 12 W T 13 Staff F Before School Lunchtime After School
		Music - Soul Band Mr Cole & Miss Sutcliffe F102	See Mr Cole or Miss Sutcliffe for further details.	7 8 9 M T 10 11 12 W T 13 Staff F Before School Lunchtime After School
		Music - Percussion Group Miss Rosborough F102	Open to all years - all welcome.	7 8 9 M T 10 11 12 W T 13 Staff F Before School Lunchtime After School
		Music - Junior Choir Miss Sutcliffe F102	Open to students of all abilities.	7 8 9 M T 10 11 12 W T 13 Staff F Before School Lunchtime After School
		Music - Rock and Pop Club Mr Dunster-Sigtermans F102	Open to all students interested in performing in rock and pop groups.	7 8 9 M T 10 11 12 W T 13 Staff F Before School Lunchtime After School
		Music - Senior Girls Vocal Group Mr Hall F102	See Mr Hall for further details.	7 8 9 M T 10 11 12 W T 13 Staff F Before School Lunchtime After School
		Music - Concert Band Mr Cole / Miss Sutcliffe Swann Hall	Open to all band instrumentalists of about grade 2+ standard and above.	7 8 9 M T 10 11 12 W T 13 Staff F Before School Lunchtime After School
		Music - Senior Choir Mr Hall F102	Open to staff and students in Years 10 - 13 of all abilities.	7 8 9 M T 10 11 12 W T 13 Staff F Before School Lunchtime After School

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	GCSE Spanish Speaking Miss Bowyer M105	Individual sessions for Year 11 GCSE Spanish students	7 8 9 M T 10 11 12 W T 13 Staff F Before School Lunchtime After School
	Design and Technology - Extended Learning Sessions Mr Longridge B005	Students are invited into the department to work on any of their Design and Technology projects. These sessions are scheduled in B005, with students given open access to the computers and design and technology facilities (with prior arrangement). GCSE and A Level students may also attend to work on their NEA projects as needed.	7 8 9 M T 10 11 12 W T 13 Staff F Before School Lunchtime After School
	GCSE Art & Design Mr Jones S026	Opening the art room before school and at lunchtimes for students who need to use the facilities to keep on top of their work.	7 8 9 M T 10 11 12 W T 13 Staff F Before School Lunchtime After School
	GCSE Art Open Access Miss Bannister B108	Open access to B108 (JRB Art Room) for students to come to further develop their GCSE coursework and receive feedback and support.	7 8 9 M T 10 11 12 W T 13 Staff F Before School Lunchtime After School
	Latin Mr Bensley S018	Year 2 of a 3 year course.	7 8 9 M T 10 11 12 W T 13 Staff F Before School Lunchtime After School
	GCSE French Speaking Miss Genneviève M101	Individual sessions for Year 11 GCSE Spanish students.	7 8 9 M T 10 11 12 W T 13 Staff F Before School Lunchtime After School
	GCSE French Intervention Mr Barnett M002	Individual sessions for Year 11 GCSE French students.	7 8 9 M T 10 11 12 W T 13 Staff F Before School Lunchtime After School
	GCSE Music Mr Cole & Miss Sutcliffe B105	Open to GCSE Music students for extra help in all aspects of GCSE Music work and theory.	7 8 9 M T 10 11 12 W T 13 Staff F Before School Lunchtime After School

Subject Support

Extra CURRICULAR		Spring Term 2022	
Sport	Year 7 Badminton Club PE Staff Sports Hall	7 8 9 M T 10 11 12 W T 13 Staff F	Before School Lunchtime After School
	Year 8 Girls Netball Academy Mrs Donohue & Mrs Swann Sports Hall	7 8 9 M T 10 11 12 W T 13 Staff F	Before School Lunchtime After School
	Year 11 Football Academy Mr Keenleyside	7 8 9 M T 10 11 12 W T 13 Staff F	Before School Lunchtime After School
	Senior Basketball Club Mr Ellis	7 8 9 M T 10 11 12 W T 13 Staff F	Before School Lunchtime After School
	Year 8 Badminton Club PE Staff Sports Hall	7 8 9 M T 10 11 12 W T 13 Staff F	Before School Lunchtime After School
	Year 7 Girls Netball Academy Mrs Donohue & Miss Bignall Sports Hall	7 8 9 M T 10 11 12 W T 13 Staff F	Before School Lunchtime After School
	Junior Girls Football Academy Mr Keenleyside	7 8 9 M T 10 11 12 W T 13 Staff F	Before School Lunchtime After School
	Year 9 Badminton Club PE Staff Sports Hall	7 8 9 M T 10 11 12 W T 13 Staff F	Before School Lunchtime After School

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12/13 Boys Football Academy Mr Walker MUGA	7 8 9 M T 10 11 12 W T 13 Staff F	Before School Lunchtime After School
9/10 Girls Netball Academy Mrs Green & Mrs Donohue Sports Hall	7 8 9 M T 10 11 12 W T 13 Staff F	Before School Lunchtime After School
Year 10 / 11 Badminton Club PE Staff Sports Hall	7 8 9 M T 10 11 12 W T 13 Staff F	Before School Lunchtime After School
Senior Girls Netball Academy Mrs Swann & Miss Bigall Sports Hall	7 8 9 M T 10 11 12 W T 13 Staff F	Before School Lunchtime After School
Badminton Academy School teams Mr Walker Sports Hall	7 8 9 M T 10 11 12 W T 13 Staff F	Before School Lunchtime After School
Years 10 Football Academy Mr Keenleyside & Mr Walker MUGA	7 8 9 M T 10 11 12 W T 13 Staff F	Before School Lunchtime After School
Year 7 Football Academy Mr Walker & Mr Keenleyside MUGA	7 8 9 M T 10 11 12 W T 13 Staff F	Before School Lunchtime After School
Year 8 Football Academy Mr Walker Sports Hall	7 8 9 M T 10 11 12 W T 13 Staff F	Before School Lunchtime After School

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Senior Girls Football Academy Mr Keenleyside MUGA	7 8 9 M T 10 11 12 W T 13 Staff F	Before School Lunchtime After School
Year 9 Football Academy Mr Keenleyside MUGA	7 8 9 M T 10 11 12 W T 13 Staff F	Before School Lunchtime After School
All Years Gymnastics Academy PE Staff & Miss Akhaven-Hezaveh Sports Hall	7 8 9 M T 10 11 12 W T 13 Staff F	Before School Lunchtime After School
Years 11 French Grammar Intervention Miss Genevieve M101	7 8 9 M T 10 11 12 W T 13 Staff F	Before School Lunchtime After School
Historical Research Society Mrs Currie & George Hall	7 8 9 M T 10 11 12 W T 13 Staff F	Before School Lunchtime After School
Assembly Music Performances Every morning we start assembly with some live music from students. If you wish to perform see your music teacher for further information. Mr Cole Swann Hall	7 8 9 M 10 11 12 W T 13 Staff F	Before School Lunchtime After School
Coding Club Mr Snowden S001	7 8 9 M T 10 11 12 W T 13 Staff F	Before School Lunchtime After School
GCSE English Language Intervention Targeted support for Year 11 English students Mrs Maccock B002	7 8 9 M T 10 11 12 W T 13 Staff F	Before School Lunchtime After School

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French Grammar Basics M101	7 8 9 M T 10 11 12 W T 13 Staff F	Before School Lunchtime After School
Maths Impact A place where you can go to work on Maths problems with the support of teachers. Mr Robinson S001	7 8 9 M T 10 11 12 W T 13 Staff F	Before School Lunchtime After School
Sixth Form Maths Clinic A space where you can bring maths questions to do and get help from teachers Mrs Hepworth F005	7 8 9 M T 10 11 12 W T 13 Staff F	Before School Lunchtime After School
Creative Writing Group Mrs Whitelaw The Hub in the Library	7 8 9 M T 10 11 12 W T 13 Staff F	Before School Lunchtime After School
Great Dreams Ten keys to happier living Mrs Power B005	7 8 9 M T 10 11 12 W T 13 Staff F	Before School Lunchtime After School

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[Extra-curricular link](#)