

# Heckler



HECKMONDWIKE  
GRAMMAR SCHOOL

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## Join the Big Sing

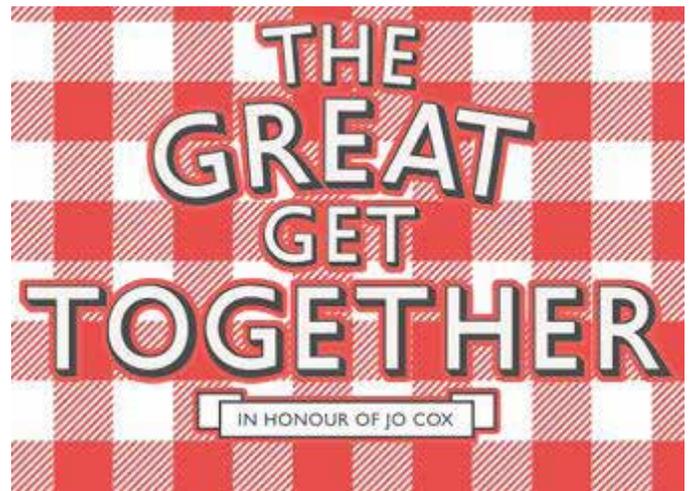
HGS have been invited to perform in the Spensborough Schools Park Sing along. This is part of the Great Get Together weekend, which is a celebration of Jo Cox's belief that we have far more in common than that which divides us. There are a number of local schools taking part which will likely include over 300 pupils, from both primary and secondary.

We are taking 40 students down to join the musical celebration, including our Junior Choir.

The songs that we will be performing are:

**Wonderwall, Proud Mary, Uptown Funk, Sweet Caroline, We Will Rock You, Livin' on a Prayer, We are the Champions, Obviously, I'm a Believer, the Trust Song.**

The event is open to the public and is held at Heckmondwike Green at 10am - 11am. It would be lovely if family and friends could join us.



## Cambridge Summer School Success



Huge congratulations to our SEVEN amazing Year 11 students who were selected for the highly competitive Cambridge University Summer School. We are incredibly proud of Rhiannon, Jay, Abi, Sophie, Taha, Liz and Anthony.

Well done an amazing achievement.

# Department Focus: Politics

It has been a very busy time for both myself, Mr Oxby and the Government and Politics students. The Year 13's are currently sitting their external exams whilst the Yr12 students have sat internal mock exams. The culmination of the Year 13 course involved the students learning about the major political ideologies Conservatism, Socialism, Liberalism and Feminism. There was a pleasing sense of having "come the full circle" once they had completed this section of the course, since these ideas had so shaped the institutions and actions that make up both US and UK politics. Thus the students gained a much fuller picture and a deeper understanding of the course as a result of having completed this unit. As they sit these examinations it is worth pointing out that they have worked incredibly hard and well deserve the undoubted success that they will achieve in the summer.

The Year 12 students have now completed the UK Politics section of the course and have now begun the US section. As well as learning about the government and politics of America they will need to get to grips with the cultural and historical differences between ourselves and the Americans. It was therefore fortuitous that we have recently had the USA state visit which has aided the students understanding of what might seem like abstract idea, such as, what constitutes the roles of both heads of state. With the television coverage showing the Queen meeting the President, it highlighted historical and cultural differences between the two countries that the students were then able understand. These students will soon be asked to carry out some independent research, culminating in some individual presentation into certain aspect of US politics. They will be making use of specialist American political magazines and US news websites which will allow them to immerse themselves in American political culture and as such, I am sure that they will gain much from this experience.

By the end of the academic year the Year 12's will have covered the topics US constitution, the US judiciary and much of US Congress and by then they will have earned themselves a well deserved rest.



## Student of the Week

Caitlyn Murray 7JRB

Amy Cross 8DWR

Gracie Kitching 8MRL

Parin Ali 9JDR

The Year 10 Drama Students

Olivia Hullah 12JLW

## Sports News



### Yorkshire - A Team Selection

Massive congratulations to Year 8 students Tom Burton & Noah Chapman who have been selected for Yorkshire U13 cricket A team. Super proud of the boys.

### Parent Notices

Wednesday 19 June - Blg Sing- Green Park, Heckmondwike

Wednesday 19 June - School Closes 2.30pm

Thursday 20 & Friday 21 June - School Closed

Wednesday 19 & Thursday 20 June - Year 7 Open Evenings

W/C Monday 24 June - Year 9 Exams all week