



## Green Light for Green Week

There were many elements to Green Week, all raising awareness of the work that Eco-Committee are doing in the school. Assemblies took place every morning, presented by two of our Eco-Committee members for all lower school year groups. Olivia Smith and Martha Currie spoke to each year group on each day, detailing information about Green Week and Eco-Committee as a whole.



On Monday Year 7 were introduced to the work of the Eco-Committee by their representative Matthew Nuttman. They learnt about the Green Flag Award and

what it entailed, as well as where we are, as a school,

in the process

of working

towards it.

Then they

talked about

all the opportunities to get

involved with Green Week. This

included the Lunchtime Talks,

Bake Sale and Eco-Evening, all

of which were a great success!

This was repeated each day for

all year groups who responded

amazingly to all information given. I would also like to thank the Heads of Year for their welcome.



Assemblies were a great way to raise awareness for Eco-Committee and Green Week, meeting the requirements of the Eco-Schools award to present our progress with our whole school.

# Green Light for Green Week continued

Green Week commenced on Monday 28 March and we were very lucky to be accompanied by four guest speakers from Monday to Thursday.

The talks started with a visit from Forge Recycling – the company that provides the school's recycling service (greatly improving our Eco Schools Waste and Litter targets). We had an excellent turnout from all year groups, and enjoyed a really insightful talk – titled Where does our Food Waste go?



On Tuesday, we were visited by Matt Edwards - the Green Party's representative for Bradford. This was the workshop with an incredible turnout of 63 students and lots of teachers too! Students listened to an interesting presentation regarding the Green Party's work in Bradford, as well as Matt's role as a councillor. Students were then presented with the opportunity to ask questions and it

was brilliant to hear all the thoughtful questions prepared.

Wednesday lunchtime focused on Careers, and we are very grateful to Claire and Jade – our in school Careers Advisors for jumping in at the last minute and preparing a presentation on Green Careers. Students reported that it was “informative, inspiring and useful” as it focused on a range of careers linked to sustainability and environmental sciences.

Thursday was our final day of talks and we were lucky enough to take part in a Teams call with The World Land Trust. We were visited by Hannah Nutt – Donor Relations Manager for the WLT, who talked us through the charity's approach to conservation and protection. We looked at their current work with Operation Ocelot that works to protect the Atlantic Forest, Brazil. It was an engaging workshop, and once again students were able to ask some thoughtful questions. At the end, we were able to tell Hannah about our work with Eco Schools, and she informed us of some more opportunities that we plan to get involved in.



On behalf of the Eco Committee, we would like to thank our guest speakers for getting involved with Green Week and for providing some exciting and informative talks. We would also like to congratulate all of the students that came to the workshops, for their excellent behaviour and amazing questions!

Finally, Green Week ended with a Bake Sale – run by Year 9 students Amelie, Eva and Abby. These students baked all the items themselves and managed to raise an incredible £50, which the Eco Committee is planning to use to buy some rainforest with!

The Eco Committee is also planning to take part in some tree planting after the Easter Break – organised by Mrs Power. We have 15 trees from the Woodland Trust, which we are planting on school grounds by the MUGA. New members are always welcome and we are very thankful for the ongoing support by students attending the Eco Committee, and look forward to continuing our sustainability journey in school!

Olivia Smith Year 12 on behalf of the HGS Eco Committee.

# Subject focus - Geography

The Geography department has been working hard with the Eco-schools group to improve awareness on a variety of environmental targets. Our overall aim is to achieve over 100 points that will enable the school to achieve the Eco Green Flag Award. We started the project in October and have weekly meetings where we discuss the 3 initiatives that we selected at the start of this process. Waste, litter and Global Citizenship are our chosen topics and we have been busy over the last few weeks preparing for the first ever Green Week. The week started with an assembly by Martha Currie and Olivia Smith who introduced the event to Year 7, Martha and Olivia then presented the assembly to the different year groups throughout the week. We also invited guest speakers to come and deliver a talk to groups from across the year groups. The talks included representatives from Forge Recycling on what happens to our food waste, Matt Edwards from the Green Party and the politics of the environment, our very own Mrs Lawler who stepped in to deliver a talk on Sustainable courses and employment opportunities, and finally a Teams talk from Hannah Nutt from the World Land Trust who talked to us about the range of projects that the organisation supports throughout the world. The talks were a great success and were attended by 60 pupils and students each day.



To complete the Green Week we gathered in the lesser Hall on Tuesday to collect for local charities. We collected food and household items, and clothes and we conducted a book swap where students could bring a book and take a book which proved very popular.

I would like to thank everyone who took part either preparing for, helping out over the week, delivering the form activities or donating items for Tuesday's collection. The students from our

Eco-Committee have been brilliant and have worked tirelessly preparing, delivering, inviting and just making things happened. We can be very proud of what we have achieved and now look forward to new initiatives next term to help us to reach our goal of 100 points or more to achieve the Green Flag Award.



# Gold Practice DofE Expedition: 1 – 4 April 2022



It must mean that Summer is on its way if it is Expedition season once again. Well Hopefully!

The group headed for Coniston YHA on Friday after school so the group could have the evening to prepare before starting their expedition on Saturday morning.

After a large, cooked breakfast at the Youth Hostel they started their expedition from the shores of Coniston. The route on Day 1 was to take them round the lake to Coniston village, up to Tarn Hows, over to Little Langdale and then onto Great Langdale campsite at the far end of the valley. It was a cold day but the sun was shining. The group walked well throughout the day and were superb with their timings, arriving at the checkpoints exactly when they said they would. They were tired on reaching the campsite but were in good spirits. They pitched their tents and cooked their tea and as darkness fell the temperature dropped rapidly. Clear skies meant amazing stars but they were still early to bed to escape the cold.



There was frost on the tents on Day 2 when they woke but it was another glorious sunny day. They got packed up and ready to leave. This was done fairly slowly as they were suffering a little after a cold night but, they were still ready to leave by 9am. Day 2's route went from the campsite down to Elterwater via a craggy climb and then over to the campsite at Low Wray. Despite this not being a particularly difficult route they had found it quite tricky at points due to the high number of fallen trees they had to navigate after the storms back in December. However, again their timings were accurate,

and they arrived at the campsite with plenty of time to get settled, pitch tents and enjoy a hot shower. The drizzly rain that started at about 8.30 meant for another early night but at least it also meant that it wasn't quite as cold overnight.



The forecast for Day 3 was rain and wind so we were all surprised when we woke to find a still morning and that the overnight rain had cleared away. The group packed up

a little quicker this morning and were ready to depart before 8.30am. Their route took them up to the top of Latterbarrow before descending via Moss Eccles Tarn to Far Sawrey and on to the shores of Lake Windermere. They did well to arrive at the top of Latterbarrow before 10.30am despite again having to navigate fallen trees and from then on, their navigation was strong to the finish.

Well Done to the group who dealt with blisters, tired legs, a lack of sleep and cold weather to survive their practice expedition. They learnt a lot and will be off again in the second week of the Easter holidays on their Qualifying Expedition.

The group:

Amelia Kellett, Eden Haycock, Ty Chatterton, Marcus Rezaei, Oskar Bowen, Nathan Jones, Jordan Tyrell



# School of Rock The Musical

On Tuesday evening our year 10 music and drama students descended on Leeds Grand Theatre to watch School of Rock - learning how music lessons should be taught!



Based on the hit film, this hilarious new musical follows Dewey Finn, a failed, wannabe rock star who decides to earn a few extra bucks by posing as a substitute teacher at a prestigious posh prep school. There he turns a class of straight-A students into a guitar-shredding, bass-slapping, mind-blowing rock band, teaching his prodigies what it means to truly rock. Featuring 14 new songs from Andrew Lloyd Webber and

all the original songs from the movie, this high-octane smash delivers face-melting guitar riffs and touching romance in equally awesome doses!

Our students really enjoyed the amazing show and the whole audience are always just stunned at how good the children in the cast are at playing their rock music live on stage.



## ANDREW LLOYD WEBBER'S **SCHOOL of ROCK** THE MUSICAL





So far this academic year we have had a number of students who have taken their grade exams from the Associated Board of the Royal Schools of Music at HGS. Always a really good marker for progress, the exams have been established since 1889 and well known for their rigorous demands. We are pleased to announce that -

- Vishaka Vijayaruban (y8) has passed her grade 2 Musical Theatre singing with a merit.
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- Mary Kernick (y8) has passed her grade 3 clarinet with merit.
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- Simarjot Notra (y9) has passed her grade 5 flute exam.
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- Tilly Mckinnie (y11) has passed her grade 5 Musical Theatre singing with a merit.
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- Beth Kernick (y12) has passed her grade 6 flute with distinction

A special mention must go to Eleanor Turner (y10) who achieved a staggering 145/150 distinction on her Grade 8 Violin. A truly amazing result and the highest Mr Cole has known for the top grade 8 exam!

Well done to everyone - a fantastic set of results.

As usual, we are expecting a bumper entry into the summer exam series so please watch out for details after Easter. If any HGS student who is having private lessons wishes to take their ABRSM exams through HGS in the summer term, then please let Mr Cole know. As usual the summer exam series are expected to be held at HGS in late June, early July.





# Be Exam Ready

Studying and preparing is vital to success in exam

It is difficult to know how best to manage your preparation until you have some experience. There is no right or wrong formula to prepare it is down to the individual to work out which strategies, processes and techniques best suits their learning ethos. By trying different methods and by monitoring yourself it will be easy to find out which techniques are useful and will help to identify where there are still difficulties, doubts or motivation problems.

Over the coming weeks we will be sharing coping and revision strategies, links to revision techniques and tools, resources that will be useful to students in preparation for the summer exams.

## Phrontifugic Webinar

1 - The link below allows parents/students to register for a phrontifugic webinar from eedi family all about reducing anxiety and exam stress.

[https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_2IAGm\\_ALRxKGMcxnM7cQLQ](https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_2IAGm_ALRxKGMcxnM7cQLQ)

2 - Challenge - can you help get the word phrontifugic accepted as a word in collins dictionary?! Visit the link and use the word whenever you get a chance!

<https://www.collinsdictionary.com/submission/24530/Phrontifugic+>

## Subject Help



### Geography

#### GCSE

- Tutor2U GCSE Geography Revision Blast - <https://tinyurl.com/bd3setyj>
- Tutor2U Daily Revision Question on Instagram - <https://tinyurl.com/mustv6j7>
- Internet Geography Quizzes - <https://tinyurl.com/3hva52tb>

#### A Level

- Tutor2U A'Level Geography Revision Blast - <https://tinyurl.com/yckhxc7e>
- Coventry University Webinar Revision Series - <https://tinyurl.com/ycy5hn68>



### Business

#### GCSE - Edexcel

- Attempt past papers <https://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/edexcel-gcses/business->
- Seneca learning
- GCSE Bitesize
- Course companion (in teams)
- Assessment mats - knowledge questions that you can practice over time
- Create revision resources to test yourself and share with friends e.g. create a cross word to test definitions

#### A Level Business - AQA

- Attempt past papers <https://tinyurl.com/2p84exax>
- Seneca Learning
- Use the course companion (in teams)
- Use tutor2u
- Create revision resources you can test yourself with repeatedly over time
- Remember you need to have real world knowledge of businesses to apply

# Be Exam Ready



## Mathematics

KS3 - Use your exercise book to make a revision list of topics you have covered and new formulae that you have come across.

Part of your revision should be learning those new formulae by heart. Most of your revision should be practising techniques and doing questions where you have access to the answers/worked solutions so that you can check them. Good sources of materials are:

- your exercise book - the examples from class and your classwork where you have marked/annotated in green pen
- Hegarty <https://hegartymaths.com/login/learner>
- Drfrost maths <https://www.drfrostmaths.com/login.php>
- Corbett Maths <https://corbettmaths.com/>

KS4/5 - In addition to the above you need to make sure that you do further work practising exam style questions. We do AQA and you can find past exam paper questions here as well as model solutions.

- GCSE - <https://mathsmadeeasy.co.uk/gcse-maths-revision/aqa-gcse-maths-past-papers/>
- A level: <https://mathsmadeeasy.co.uk/a-level-maths-revision/aqa-past-papers/>

Past paper questions broken down by topic:

GCSE: <https://www.mathsgenie.co.uk/gcse.html>



## Economics

Here are some links to new resources designed to support A-Level Economists from Tutor2u.net

[Update on the UK Economy | Five Short Videos on the Key Stats](#)

This series of five short videos provides an overview of many of the key stats on the UK economy to help students add contextual application into their 2022 exam paper answers!

[Labour market economics - topical issues explained with diagrams](#)

In this new series of six short videos, we look at building labour demand and supply analysis to support answers on a range of topical labour market issues.

[Daily Economics revision on Instagram](#)



## Physics

Revision Link for GCSE Physics

<https://www.physicsandmathstutor.com/physics-revision/gcse-aqa/>



Thank you so much to everyone who bought raffle tickets and congratulations to all those that won one of the fantastic prizes donated by local businesses and parents of HGS students. We raised over £1000 which is a fantastic amount for such a short space of time.

Now it's COMPETITION TIME

# DESIGN Competition

FoHGS desperately need a new logo. So this is for all the budding Heckmondwike Grammar School artists out there. Sketch out your ideas for a brand new, eye-catching logo. The winning design will then be finalised and made print ready by a local digital artist ready to use on all future FoHGS communications.

Every student entry is rewarded with 10 '1898' points and the winner will get a whopping 50 '1898' points.

Put your design skills to work and get your entries in before Wednesday 27 April 2022 and the winner will be announced on Friday 6 May in the Heckler.

To submit your entry please email [friendsofhgs@heckgrammar.co.uk](mailto:friendsofhgs@heckgrammar.co.uk) with 'FoHGS LOGO DESIGN COMPETITION' in the subject line and make sure you include your name and form in the email so we know who to get in touch with.

We're looking forward to seeing your creations and can't wait for a new logo!

As always, we'd love to have more people join us at FoHGS, we're a friendly bunch so if you want to get involved please drop us an email, we'd love to have you on board.

Thank you!  
FoHGS

# HGS

*trips*



Yr 12 - London Business  
Tri p February 2023



# Parent Notices

**Monday 11 - Friday 22 April**  
School will re-open Monday 25 April  
at the usual time

**Monday 25 April - Friday 6 May**  
Year 9 and 12 Mock Exams

**Thursday 28 April**  
Year 7 Virtual Parents' Evening -  
details emailed this week  
booking open now



**parking**

**CONCERNS**

We are concerned at having to raise this once again with our parents/carers.

We ask ALL parents and carers, to be respectful to our neighbours, we are seeing more and more lack of respect, when dropping off and collecting of students. Please note that residents are now taking registration numbers of regular offenders and are reporting these to the local authority.

We, as a school will not accept rude and aggressive behaviour towards our neighbours and will support any neighbours in their complaints.

We ask that if there is no parking spot DO NOT stop in the middle of the road, block driveways or park on the zigzag line. We kindly ask that you consider parking in Morrison's car park, allowing your child to walk to you; this will result in less congestion around school and a more relaxed environment for our neighbours.

Thank you



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