

Year 10 History Trip to Huddersfield University

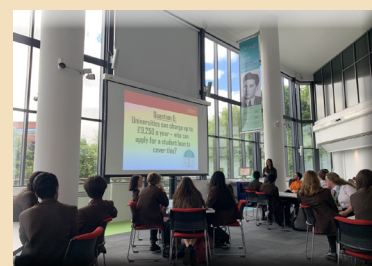
On Wednesday 8 June the History department took all of their Year 10 students to Huddersfield University for the day. The trip had been arranged following the successful Year 8 History trip earlier in the Year to visit the Holocaust Exhibition and Learning Centre, but also combined a HE focus by giving our students the opportunity to tour the University campus and meet with student ambassadors from the University.



Year 10 historians are currently preparing for their end of year exams – one of which will be on the study unit 'Germany – from democracy to dictatorship 1890-1945'. As part of this study unit, students cover life in Nazi Germany both before the war and during the Second World War. A key element is the treatment of minority groups and the persecution of Jews in particular, culminating in the Holocaust. The exhibition at Huddersfield University is excellent – it features local people and first hand testimonies of Holocaust survivors. The exhibition is designed in a thoughtful way, to allow students to explore individual stories, whilst putting them in the context of the events in Europe in the 1930s and 1940s.



Students had a session led by centre staff focusing on the use of propaganda and control and how it was applied to the persecution of minority groups. An interesting activity compared modern headlines regarding immigration with those from Nazi Germany in the 1930s. Students were able to deepen their understanding of the use of propaganda and the mechanisms, which the Nazi state used to enforce their ideas.



Aside from the history focus, the students had a very good presentation about Higher Education, which dispelled some of the myths surrounding it and made them aware of the opportunities available to them. There was a fun interactive quiz, a question and answer session with students and an opportunity to explore some of the courses available at Huddersfield and beyond. Students and staff particularly enjoyed the campus tour, where we were led in small groups around the University and could not fail to be impressed by the facilities on show as well as the positive manner the students spoke about their HE experiences.

All in all, a very productive and informative day. Many thanks to Mrs Lawrence for organising, together with Mrs Lawler in the Careers department and to the University for hosting us.

THE GREAT GET TOGETHER

INSPIRED BY JO COX

Great Get Together

Thursday 23 June and Run for Jo – Sunday 26 June 2022

The students and staff of Heckmondwike Grammar School are marking the community inspired Great Get Together charity with two events. The first is on Thursday 23 June when we celebrate the rich diversity of the school community. All staff and students are invited to give £1.00 to wear clothes that reflect their culture. Music from these various backgrounds will be played during breaktimes and lunchtime.

The second event is on Sunday 26 June, when 33 members of Heckmondwike Grammar School staff will be taking part in the 'Run for Jo' event at Oakwell Hall and Country Park, Gomersal. This will be the fourth time the school has participated in the run and the first time as a fundraiser for the Jo Cox Foundation, which is the umbrella charity for the Run for Jo event and the community inspired Great Get Together, organised by More in Common Batley & Spennings.

Heckmondwike Grammar School already is a great caring community as is apparent in your generosity. Already this academic year you have helped the school raise £14,155 for a variety of charities.

With this in mind it would be lovely to support the day of culture as well as the runners and push the fundraising total beyond £15,000 by giving generously to this very local, national charity. There will be an opportunity to pledge money on ParentPay. <http://www.parentpay.com/>

Oakwell Hall and Country Park is a great venue for a family day out and on Sunday 26 June there will be food stalls, a bar, a Mascot's race and entertainment. Come along and support us!

Thank you for your continuing support and generosity.



Community Events for the Great Get Together



Inspired by the late Jo Cox MP, the Great Get Together brings people together to celebrate all they have in common. All events are free and unticketed. Everyone's welcome.

FOBS Early Bird
Friday 24th June 7:30am - 10am
Batley Railway Station
Early morning welcome from the Friends Of Batley Station: tea, coffee, muffins and fruit

Burgers and Butterflies
Friday 24th June 5pm - 8pm
Batley Butterfly House
A BBQ and chance to meet the insects

Kumon Y'all Let's Unite
Friday 24th June 5:15pm
Manor Croft Academy, Dewsbury
Make friends, play games, and enjoy delicious food

Tea and Cycle with Streetbikes
Saturday 25th June 12:30pm - 3pm
Spenborough Running Track
Mixed Ability Cycling event around the track

Heckmondwike's Great Get Together
Saturday 25th June 10am-3pm
Green Park, Heckmondwike
A family and community event

The Great Create Together
Saturday 25th June 11am - 1pm
Batley Community Centre
Family friendly fun day for everyone

The Great Poetry Get Together
Saturday 25th June 2pm - 4pm
Batley Library
An open-mic poetry event for all to share or listen to poetry

Run For Jo
Sunday 26th June 9am - 4pm
Oakwell Hall Country Park
Running, food stalls, Mascots' race and entertainment for the whole family

The Ravensthorpe Great Get Together Picnic
Sunday 26th June 1pm - 3pm
Greenwood Centre, Ravensthorpe
Bring a picnic and a little extra to share with your neighbours

Find more events: tinyurl.com/GGTNK

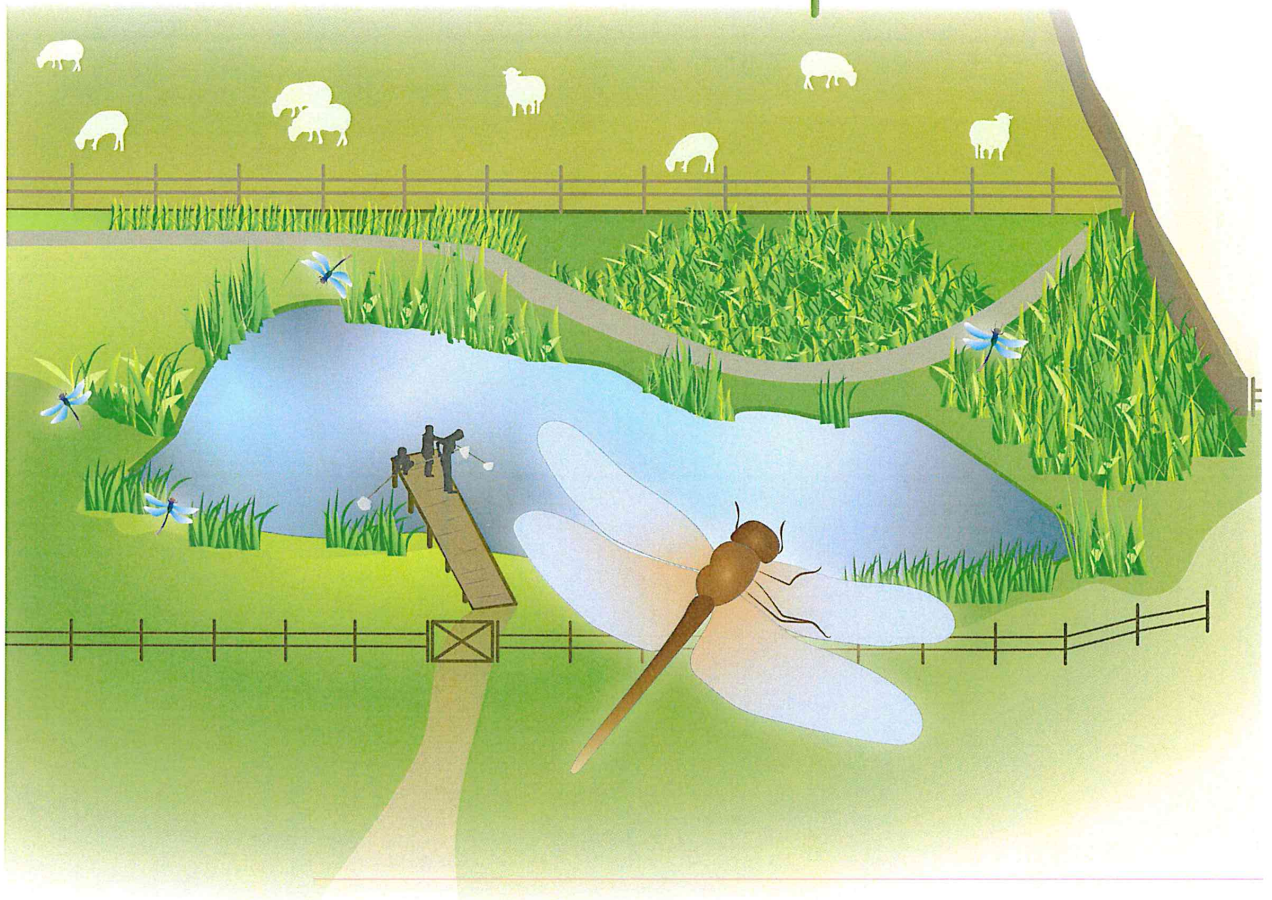


THE JO COX FOUNDATION

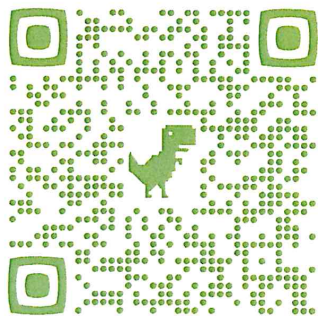
For more information contact yorkshire@jocoxfoundation.org

DRAGONFLIES NEED A HOME!

You can help!



Please support our crowdfunding project to construct a wildlife pond in spen valley by going to:
www.spacehive.com/create-dragon-pond-at-jo-cox-wood



Scan the QR with your phone camera to open the crowdfunding link

and pledging a few pounds.
We need everyone's help to make it happen - Thank you!

Spen Valley Civic Society
www.spenvalleycivicsociety.org.uk

HGS School Production 2022

Grease is the Word... at HGS this summer. Our school production returns this year with three performances on 5, 6, 7 July.

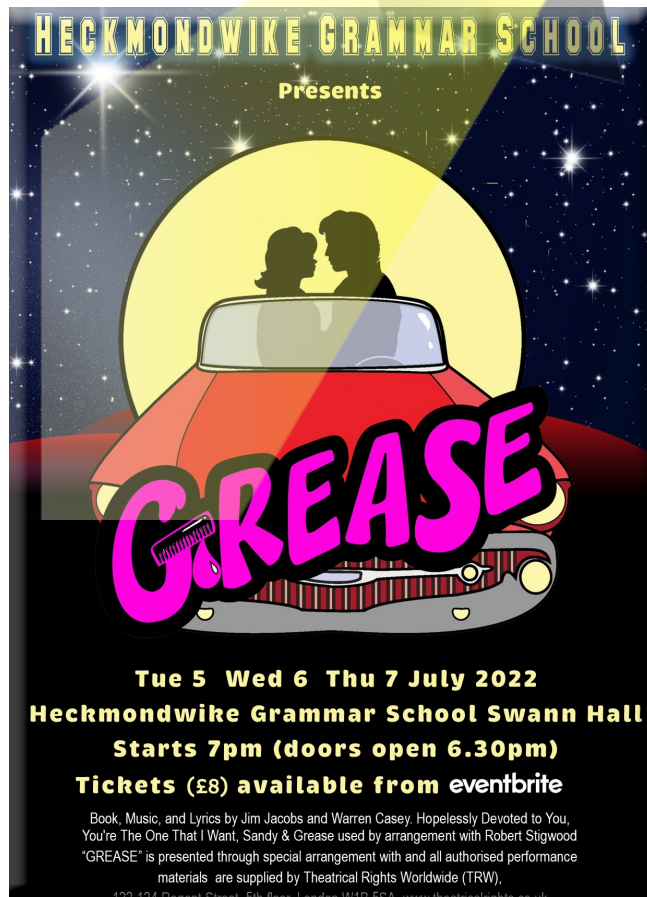
Danny, Sandy, Kenickie, Rizzo and the rest of the gang are back this Summer Night. Join the cast and live band as We Go Together and Shake at our High School Hop.

There are Worse Things You Could Do that night, so buy a ticket as You're the One That WE Want!

Tickets are now on sale from Eventbrite and are numbered seating (NB there is an aisle between seats 7 and 8 in each row)

[Click on the links below to purchase tickets.](#)

- [Tuesday 5 July Tickets](#)
- [Wednesday 6 July Tickets](#)
- [Thursday 7 July Tickets](#)



After receiving several complaints from local residents and businesses we kindly ask that you respect parking zones around school. Please do not use car parks belonging to local business, especially the PASS IT ON and Brian Jackson College car park. They require access throughout the day for staff, their own students, customers and for deliveries. If you do choose to park in a restricted area please bear in mind you may be asked to move and we request that parents/carer respond to the request in a polite manner. We certainly do not expect to hear from our neighbours that they have been verbally abused by our parents. Parents should consider parking a little away from school and allowing their student to walk just that little bit further, this would ease congestion around school and maintain good relations with our neighbours.

Parent Notices

Monday 20 June - Friday 1 July
Year 10 Exams

Thursday 23 June
Culture Day in conjunction with the
Great Get Together - see details on page 9

Wednesday 22 & Thursday 23 June
Open Evening

Thursday 23 & Friday 24 June
Year 11 Book Return Days

Friday 24 June
Staff Training Day - school is closed to students other
than those who have exams

Year 11 Prom

Saturday 25 June
Year 13 Prom

Monday 27 June - Friday 1 July
Year 7 & 8 Exams

Tuesday 28 & Thursday 30 June
New Year 7 Parents' Information Evenings

Entrance Exam Registration Now Open
See details on next page



HECKMONDWIKE
GRAMMAR SCHOOL

Entrance Exam registration NOW OPEN

Is your child currently in Year 5?
Do you want your child to start at Heckmondwike Grammar School
in September 2023?
If so, please register for the **Entrance Exam for 2023** entry before
12.00 noon on Monday 27 June 2022.

To register please visit www.heckgrammar.co.uk/admissions

***** **Open Evenings** *****

Wednesday 22 & Thursday 23 June 2022

Doors open 6.30pm

You are invited to see the fabulous facilities at Heckmondwike Grammar School, meet our staff and have a guided tour with our student ambassadors. There will be opportunities to take part in activities in many departments.

Throughout the evening there will be several presentations by Peter Roberts, headteacher, including a detailed explanation of the admission and selection process.

Parents of year 5 students are encouraged to attend.

Tel: 01924 402202 e: admissions@heckgrammar.co.uk Follow



**Parent Power, Sunday Times Schools Guide 2022, ranks
Heckmondwike Grammar School in the top 10 in the North of England**

Thursday 23 June in conjunction with The Great Get Together
HGS will be holding a Culture day

Years 7-10



CULTURE DAY

 Thursday 23rd June

Non-uniform Day


 Music from different
cultures will be
played at
break/lunchtime in
the Swann Hall


Celebration wear such
as formal clothing or
even traditional from
your own culture

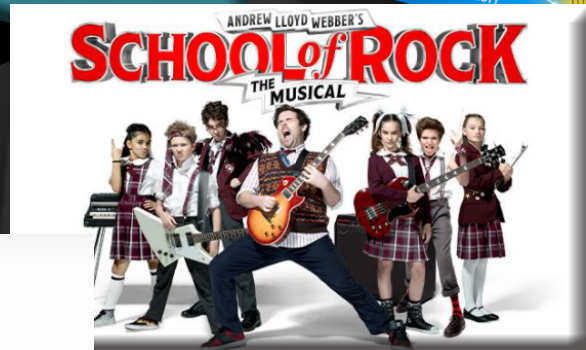

 Keep it acceptable for
school! No shoulders,
midriff or anything
too short. Lanyards
still to be worn.
 

 Donations for non-
uniform can be made
through ParentPay


 Donations to the Jo Cox
Foundation can also be
made from ParentPay
 

HGS

trips



Year 8 Go Ape Friday 17 June 2022

