



United Kingdom
Mathematics Trust

Maths Success at HGS

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In January, **Ayan Gupta** sat the British Mathematical Olympiad Round 2. This is taken by only around 100 students in the UK each year. Ayan achieved a Merit Award which is a fantastic achievement for him and the school.

Intermediate Mathematics Challenge

At the end of January, we had several students in years 8, 9 and 10 participate in the annual Intermediate Mathematics Challenge.

To recognise the highest performers in the Challenge, UKMT award the top-scoring 50% of participants Bronze, Silver and Gold certificates in the ratio 3:2:1. This year, we had record success at HGS with 53 students gaining a Bronze award, 52 students gaining

a Silver Award and 62 students gaining a Gold award.

Particular congratulations to Yusuf Shah for the best in Year 8, Yoyo Zheng for the best in Year 9 and Kaysan Abdullah for the best in Year 10 and overall in school with a remarkable maximum score achieved.

The follow-on rounds take place on the 20th March. We have 21 students competing in the Grey Kangaroo (years 8 and 9) and 17 students competing in the Pink Kangaroo (year 10). We also have 7 students participating in the prestigious Olympiad rounds. Yusuf Shah, Joshua Badri and Yoyo Zheng in the Cayley Olympiad and Kaysan Abdullah, Ibrahim Kham Swarit Sahu and Bhoomi Marathe in the Hamilton Olympiad.

Congratulations to all who participated and all the best to the students in the next rounds.

Congratulations to Taha Mir, Wilson Freeman, Heet Virola, Joe Holmes, Angelo Fernandes and Sadaf Shaikh, who have passed the Critical Review phase of the ESERO CanSat competition. The team have designed, built and programmed a small satellite which will be launched and parachuted back to the ground on 21st March, gathering data as it does. A huge thank you also to ex-HGS student Daniyal Shaikh for his support and guidance for the group, OV-165.



Linguistics Olympiad Success

Before half term, many students across the school took part in Round 1 of the United Kingdom Linguistics Olympiad, where they had to solve some very tricky language puzzles in languages that they might never have



seen before, and some that they had never even heard of before. In years 8 and 9, students worked in teams to solve the puzzles, but at the Advanced Level in Sixth Form, students worked individually in exam conditions. Results for Years 8 and 9 will be known late in March, but for the Advanced Level students we can already say a big congratulations to Anaïs Loisier and Suchir Gupta for achieving Bronze in this very tricky linguistics competition, and to Eleanor Wray for achieving Gold! Eleanor now goes through to Round 2 of the Competition, and we wish her all the very best of luck!

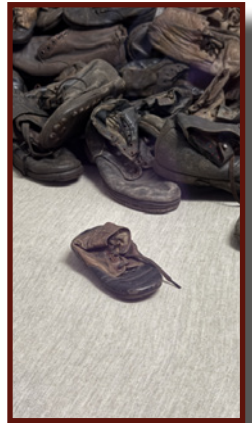
Honouring the Past: A Memorable One-Day Visit to Auschwitz-Birkenau

This week two students and Miss Briggs travelled with the Holocaust Educational Fund to visit the Auschwitz-Birkenau concentration camps, a site of immense tragedy and loss. Walking through the stark, silent



grounds, they encountered the haunting remnants of the gas chambers and the notorious railway entrance to Auschwitz-Birkenau, where countless lives were cruelly extinguished. One of the most unsettling moments for the students was seeing the pile of children's shoes in the museum, a powerful symbol of the innocence lost during the Holocaust. The weight of history became even more tangible when they viewed the Book of Names, an overwhelming

testament to the 6 million Jewish victims who perished, each name a reminder of the individual lives lost. The day also highlighted the incredible strength of the victims, whether they survived or died. The students were moved by the resilience of those who endured the unimaginable horrors. Even in the face of such profound suffering, the victims' strength and humanity shone through, leaving a lasting impression on the students about the enduring power of the human spirit. For the students, the visit



was both a powerful journey through the horrors of genocide and a profound lesson in the importance of remembrance and human dignity. The experience left them with a deepened commitment to never forget the

atrocities and to ensure such history is never repeated.



IT'S **PANCAKE** TIME!

DELISH!

Golden Syrup

LEMON & SUGAR

CHOCOLATE SPREAD

Tuesday 4th March

DIARY DATES

Tuesday 4 March - Careers Carousel

Thursday 6 March
World Book Day
come dressed as a character from a book click here to view full schedule

Year 9 Parents' Evening-Booking closes Monday 3 March at 6pm

Tuesday 11 March
Maths Inspiration Trip - Bradford St Georges Hall - Year 12 students

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