

Dear Parent/Carer

HMS WEEKLY UPDATE 39 (The final one of the year!)

We've reached the end of another school year and it's a great opportunity to reflect and be thankful for everything we have achieved. The last few weeks have been packed full with Sports Days, Skills Builder Days, trips/visits and even residential... not to mention our Year 8 leavers' events - it's been the best way to end the year!



A huge thank you must go to our pupils who make HMS such a special place to work and learn. Once again, they have engaged so well in their learning and the wide range of opportunities on offer to them. They are a joy to teach and have around school. A special good luck to our Year 8 pupils who make the move to high school and to those pupils moving on to new schools after the summer - we'll miss you all.

Thank you to all of our parents/carers and the wider school community for your continued support of all we do. Your support and positivity are always valued by all of us - we are grateful for all you do. A special thank you to our outstanding PTA who have worked tirelessly once again to raise funds for school life. This year, long-standing members Kate, Lorna, Karen and Lucy will be moving on after years of support - they will all be hugely missed and we thank them for everything.

None of this would be possible without a true team effort and that's exactly what we do at HMS. Our staff team go above and beyond to make sure that we are the best we can be. I am very lucky to have such a dedicated, supportive and driven team who make HMS such a great place to be. Every single one of them deserves a well-earned summer break and I know you'll echo my appreciation.

This week, Mr Scott had a range of photographs on display at the Year 8 Leavers' Party and it's always amazing looking back at how much we have squeezed into a school year. HMS really is a very special place and I continue to be so proud of our school. Have a great summer break everyone - we look forward to seeing everyone back on Wednesday 4th September 8.40am.

Arts Award

Miss Taylor is so proud to announce that all of our Arts Award pupils have successfully completed their course and gained their Bronze Arts Award this year. This is a phenomenal achievement which has taken so much commitment and hard work from the children and from Miss Taylor, who has supported the group brilliantly. Well done everyone - we are so proud of you all!



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House Point Totals

Below are this week's House Point totals as well as the **'Top 4' pupils in each year group this week**. P points are awarded for character value such as **resilience, respect, engagement and responsibility**. Well done to each and every one of them.

| House Totals | | Top 4 'P Points' in each year | | | | | | | |
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| | | Year 5 | | Year 6 | | Year 7 | | Year 8 | |
| Aln | 92,112 | 1 | Evie L | | Gruffydd T | | Cristina C | | Una C-W |
| Coquet | 93,382 | 2 | Hattie D | | Betty F | | Harry R | | Ellie B |
| Tweed | 92,153 | 3 | Alexander E | | Etta L | | Emmie R | | George H |
| Wansbeck | 89,285 | 4 | Ross N | | Holly W | | Annabelle R | | Harvey C-F |

Fundraising for Holly's Hope

Walk for Holly's Hope is a fundraising initiative in memory of much-missed QE student, Holly. Holly's family and friends have the ambition of buying and fitting emergency Bleed Boxes and Critical Injury Kits in every town across the UK. To raise funds for this, a team will walk the challenging Steel Town 20 route through some of the Derwent Valley, with a total elevation gain of around 1780ft including a long pull up from the river at Blackhall Mill to Consett Rugby Club for the finish. For more details including how to contribute, please visit <https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/WalkForHollysHope>

Summer Celebration Assemblies

| | Y5 | Y6 | Y7 | Y8 |
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| English | Winner: Tessa H Runner up: Adam H | Winner: Emily G Runner up: Robbie P | Winner: Sophie A Runner up: Wilf C | Winner: Abigail B Runner up: Alistair W |
| Maths | Winner: Laila B Runner up: Jack L | Winner: Amelie G Runner up: Leon B | Winner: Sam B Runner up: Rosie P | Winner: Harry H Runner up: Evie T |
| Science | Winner: Alfred A Runner up: Hayden M | Winner: Betti A Runner up: James C | Winner: Lucas S Runner up: Lewis S | Winner: Zach T Runner up: Lucy H |

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| Art | Winner: Arthur C Runner up: Claudia M | Winner: Lauchlan H Runner up: Emily G | Winner: James H Runner up: Daisy B | Winner: Annabelle M Runner up: Theo H |
| Music | Winner: Leo B Meghan J | Winner: Jamie H Runner up: Aurelia K | Winner: Bess D Runner up: Evie A | Winner: Alistair W |
| PE | Winner: Ben R Eleanor W | Winner: Joseph D Lizzie L | Winner: Benson H Runner up: Mary W | Winner: Lucy P Runner up: Patrick F |
| Computing | Winner: Jack B Runner up: Sofia L | Winner: Ben T Runner up: Elsie L | Winner: Mia S Runner up: Saveliy A | Winner: Gabriel B Runner up: Ella H |
| Design Technology | Winner: Sophia R Runner up: Finlay F | Winner: Ella R Runner up: Lewis J | Winner: Magnus C Runner up: Robbie S | Winner: Charlotte B Runner up: Sophie W |
| Food Technology | Winner: Isis T Runner up: Tommy G | Winner: Joanna R Runner up: William D | Winner: Hope B Runner up: Ben F | Winner: Phoebe S Runner up: Beth N |
| History | Winner: Isabella S Runner up: William G | Winner: Leo H Runner up: Ida H | Winner: Jake D Runner up: Cameron S | Winner: Bella W Runner up: Evie S |
| Geography | Winner: William G Runner up: Tom G | Winner: Robin W Runner up: Phoebe B | Winner: Tristan J Runner up: Lola B | Winner: Grace P Runner up: Jack H |
| French | Winner: Poppy M Runner up: Hazel L | Winner: Lucas S Runner up: Niamh K | Winner: Alice B Runner up: Kuba M | Winner: Eliza R Runner up: David T |
| Spanish | | | Winner: Lucia L Runner up: Alfie M | Winner: Alfie B Runner up: Eve W |
| RE | Winner: Kate H Runner up: Michael C | Winner: Maja M Runner up: Monty C | Winner: Clara H Runner up: Ben E | Winner: Jenson C Runner up: Joseph O |
| PSHE | Winner: Lucy E Runner up: Ruby S | Winner: Artie O Runner up: Neve B | Winner: Bobby E Runner up: Layla S | Winner: Philippa M Runner up: Isla M |
| Drama | | | Winner: Emmie R Runner up: Edward C | Winner: Archie B Runner up: Charlotte K |

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| Forest School | Winner: Aoife B Runner up: Oliver S | | | |
| Form Tutor Award | 5EKI: Thea H Iona R 5FHA: Fern R Alex U 5JNI: Claudia D Ed S 5MDO: Iris H Charlie H 5ZSC: Hattie D Ben R | 6FHI: Rose K Ryan S 6JJO: Josie A Lewis J 6MBE: Tilly C Sofia S 6RAL: Lilly R Ted W 6YTA: Florence B Freddie H | 7AMG: Hope B Marc B 7EST: Sam C Sarah N 7JET: Zach D Evie J 7PGA: Sam B Esme B 7SFO: Charlie M Ivy M | 8IHO: Isla M Ferdie U 8ETA: Jack M Lorien V 8IBO: Ellie B Alastair W 8BLA: Carley B George H 8SRI: Lewis H Freddie Y |
| Head of Key Stage Award | Winner: Hollie W Deputy: Finlay F | Winner: Rosie O Deputy: Ben N | Winner: Tristan J | Winner: Jack M |

Growing Healthy 0-19 Service - Assembly feedback Year 7

Recently, our year 7 pupils had some visitors to talk to them about how to stay healthy. They have sent us a form to have completed by pupils. We would appreciate if you could spend some time with your child completing it to give the Growing Healthy 0-19 service team some useful feedback. Please complete this [form](#).

Michael Sehgal Uniform order deadline 31 July 2024

<https://www.michaelsehgal.co.uk/about-us/announcements/order-by-the-31st-july-deadline-to-be-guaranteed-to-get-everything-in-time-for-sept/>

Attendance – top 3!

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| 6-YTA | 6-MBE, 8-BLA | 8-ETA |

News from the community

Wombles litter pick

Fancy a cleansing Wombling session with a great litter picking group this Saturday?

Next litter pick in Hexham: Saturday 20 July meet at Hewson Court opposite Hexham Hospital at 11am (until 12.30ish).

Reminders/ Key Dates

| Date | Event | Who |
|-----------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Monday 2 September | INSET Day | School closed to pupils |
| Tuesday 3 September | INSET Day | School closed to pupils |
| Wednesday 4 September | Return to School at 8.40am | All year groups |
| Wednesday 4 September | Induction Day | Year 5 |
| Wednesday 4 September | Welcome Assemblies | All year groups |
| Friday 6 September | Year 5 Team Building Day | Year 5 |
| Friday 13 September | HMS Council Elections | All year groups |
| Thursday 19 September | School Photographs (Individual) | All year groups |

Have a fantastic summer holiday everyone!

Mr Watters

Head of School

Pupil Support and Safeguarding

Designated Safeguarding Leader: Mr Stephenson/ **Deputy Safeguarding Leaders:** Mr Scott and Miss Liddle

Heads of Key Stage: Mr Scott and Miss Liddle

SENDCo/Assistant SENDCo: Mr Morgan and Mrs Adams

Academic Support Coordinator: Mrs Toor

Pupil Support Workers: Mrs Dodds and Mrs Richards

Please remember that we are here to support you and your child at any time. You can contact us via the main office (phone) or by email (admin@hexhammiddle.org.uk).