



Halewood Academy | NEWSLETTER

WB | MONDAY | 22nd | NOVEMBER 2021

Dear parents and carers

It's already the final week in November and we are busy making plans for putting up the Christmas tree, for Christmas jumper day and for our Christmas lunch.

Although Santa may have come a little early, delivering a large number of brand new interactive whiteboards to the Academy, Mr Wilson will be very busy over the coming weeks installing these into many of our classrooms. We are investing wisely to ensure that we have access to state of the art IT in order to supplement our excellent teaching and learning.



On a more sombre note, you may be aware of the horrendous incident that happened in Liverpool city centre on Thursday 25th November, where the life of a 12 year old girl was taken. We know that many young people across the city and in our community may be deeply affected by this tragedy. We want you to know that we are there for you and if any student needs support that they can speak to any of there teachers or our designated safeguarding lead, Ms Gallagher.

There is also support available within the community. More information can be found on our website: https://www.halewoodacademy.co.uk/downloads/safeguarding/ha_safeguarding_information.pdf

I want to finish by wishing all of our year 11 students good luck with their mock exams. We know you are amazing- just breathe and remember that we believe in you.

Tracey Rollings
Principal

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT - PLEASE READ

The Department for Education have released new guidance stating that from Tuesday 30th November, 'face coverings should be worn in communal areas in all settings by staff, visitors and students, unless they are exempt.'

Please ensure your child brings a face mask every day.

Thank you for your continued support.



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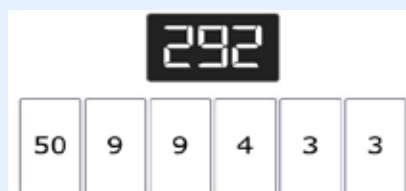


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Challenge!

Maths Challenge of the Week

N



Use the numbers and the four standard operations (addition, subtraction, multiplication and division) to hit the target.

Each card can only be used once but it may not be necessary to use all the cards.

Send your answers in to Miss Devonshire
adevonsire@halewoodacademy.co.uk or to your progress leader.

NUMERACY

Last Week's Answer

N

4 numbers have a median of 14, mode of 12 and a range of 10. What are the four numbers?

12, 12, 16, 22

NUMERACY

Word of the week

Definition:

To give a brief explanation of the main points of a larger piece of text.

Synonyms:

abridge, condense, to give an overview

summarise

Worked examples:

A conclusion is used to summarise the main points of an argument.

Antonyms:

elaborate, expand upon

Thankful Thursday Winners- 18th November 2021

Thankful Thursdays

Each week, members of staff have the opportunity to nominate other staff for something that they are thankful for. Miss Rollings then picks three winners each Monday. Opposite are last week's winners and the reason for their nominations.

K Hunt: She has stepped up as a leader to be counted over this past term. She has supported with whole-school behaviour via TLS and this has been very much appreciated!

S Jones: Thanks and appreciation to Mr Jones who gave up his time to support with data spreadsheets. We are so lucky to have someone with his knowledge and skill set, his support has been invaluable. He has now been adopted into Team Data!

M LeMerrac: He always goes above and beyond for the year 9 students, everything he does is to ensure our students are happy and safe. He gives so much support to staff too, this can be in a professional and personal capacity. Honestly don't know what I'd do without him! He also serenades us with some truly unique interpretations of pop songs in a morning (X-factor this year right?).



Halewood Academy

We Seek The Best



Ryan's Football debut

Congratulations to ex pupil *Ryan Stratulis* who made his professional debut for Tranmere Rovers in the EFL trophy last week. Ryan got an assist and was praised by his manager.



Recommended Reads



Year 7

Wonderscape by Jennifer Bell



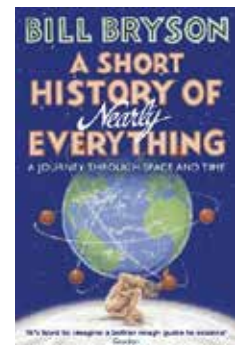
Year 8

The Haunting of Aveline Jones
by Phil Hickies



Year 11

A Short History of Nearly
Everything by Bill Bryson



Year 10

The Bluest Eye by Toni Morrison



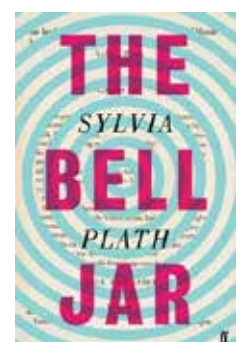
Year 9

Refugee Boy by Benjamin Zephaniah



Parent / Guardian

The Bell Jar by Sylvia
Plath



Staff

The White Tiger by Aravind
Adiga



Achieve Together Evening *4th November 2021 survey feedback*

We would like to thank all of our parents, carers and students again that attended our **Year 11 Achieve Together Event**. The feedback was excellent and some of the feedback can be seen below:

100% of you said that you found the event useful.


100% of you said that it would benefit your child in their final year of school.


We also had some excellent feedback for going forward such as a request for further information regarding progress at a Parents' evening (which we have got planned on the calendar) in order to discuss individual subjects.

Thank you!

Thank you so much for your feedback. It is so important that we work together to make sure that the outcomes for the students are the best that they can be.



**HALEWOOD ACADEMY**
WADE DEACON TRUST



Humanities Club will be available to Years 7, 8 and 9 every Monday starting next week.

We will be studying about Ireland, looking into the history and geography of Ireland over the next 6 weeks.

Humanities Club

Monday 2:45 – 3:30 pm
Year 7, 8 and 9



Congratulations to the Year 7&8 girls football team who beat Kirkby High 3-1

*This was the first full 11 a side game for this team,
and they were fantastic. The goal scorers were
Lexie Harris x 2 and Sienna Moore x 1.*

Well done girls!



Parents' and Carers' Pack for Apprenticeship and Traineeships



We would like to share with our parents, carers and students further information in relation to Apprenticeships.

At this time of year, lots of work will be happening in **Halewood Academy** to help to inform young people about technical education opportunities and how to search and apply for the best opportunities.

In this edition of the Parents and Carers pack, you will find information on how to search and apply for apprenticeships and traineeships, and will find out more about one of the exciting new T Level subjects which was launched this September.

Please follow the link below

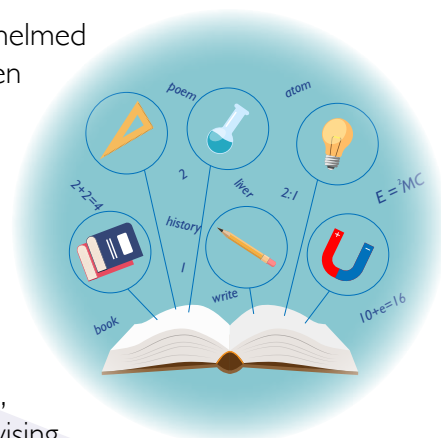
<https://amazingapprenticeships.com/app/uploads/2021/11/Parent-Pack-November-2021.pdf>



Year 11 Mock Exams

In the coming weeks, Year 11 will be taking their mock exams. This could be a very stressful time which is understandable to some extent but there are ways that you can relieve the pressure. Some of my recommendations are;

1. Making a revision timetable this may help to prevent feeling overwhelmed and can be organised on what you're supposed to be studying when you can set aside a set amount of time for each subject based on how much you think you need to revise, what you enjoy, and what you struggle with.
2. Set aside time each day mid revision to have a break, away from screens or text books this could be going to have a conversation with family or going on a walk in your local area, this could help relieve feelings of worry and nervousness.
3. My biggest recommendation would be find do what works for you, don't revise a certain way just because it's how your friends are revising, you do you and although mocks may be important they are not the be all and end all of life. *(from a current HA Student)*



Thank you and good luck to all the Year 11 students!

National Tutoring Programme



From December, **Halewood Academy** will be providing school-led tuition to students which will be delivered by teachers from a range of departments.

Many members of staff have kindly offered their time and expertise, delivering a range of sessions to help support students fulfill their potential and goals.

There will be three slots available and students involved will be notified shortly. The time of these sessions are:

Breakfast club – 7.45am-8.45am

After school – 4pm-5pm

After school – 5pm-6pm (remote only)

The finalised timetable will be published shortly. Any questions, please see Miss Stafford.



Safety Goggles from our partners AstraZeneca

Halewood Academy had a visit this week from representatives from **AstraZeneca**, H Harvey (*Stability Specialist*) and Janki Patel (*Quality Control Analyst*) who work in partnership with us to supply our Science and Design Technology departments with personal protection equipment.

We are pleased to say they will be worn and demonstrated correctly when developing their project work during the school term.



The YoungMinds Wellbeing Advent Calendar 2021

Looking after your wellbeing as you countdown to the holidays

29 - MONDAY

Winter joy

It's the festivities! What inspires you during this time of year? Let's write them down.

6 - MONDAY

Become a dreamer

Encourage your pupils to dream. Sharing our ambitions is the first step to making it happen.

30 - TUESDAY

Captain Brave

Design and display your 'I'm Brave' poster as a reminder of how courageous we all are.

7 - TUESDAY

Breathe

At the start of the day, take a deep, long breath. In for 5, out for 5. Focus. Can you hear yourself breathe?

13 - MONDAY

Things in common

In small groups, identify the things everyone has in common. It can be anything except you go to school!

14 - TUESDAY

Come and do the Conga

Ask the class to pick a festive tune from YouTube and together create the biggest class conga!

1 - WEDNESDAY

Cloud spotting

Take time outside for mindfulness. Look up to the sky and notice the different shapes in the clouds.

8 - WEDNESDAY

The kind-hearted

Engage in a small act of kindness. It could be a thoughtful gesture, praise, or simply a smile.

2 - THURSDAY

The tales of...

Get creative and draw a book cover with a picture and a title that best describes you.

9 - THURSDAY

Christmas Carols

Choose a classroom song! Put the lyrics on the screen and have a good old sing-along together.

16 - THURSDAY

Moving Reindeers!

When I shout 'Dasher' the class starts hopping. With 'Prancer', start skipping, and 'Rudolph', start jumping!

3 - FRIDAY

Holiday puzzle

Create a class puzzle and show what the holidays mean to you. What words and colours come to mind?

10 - FRIDAY

Hot potato

Sit in a circle and pass a potato or a small ball to one another. Share one positive thing from the week.

17 - FRIDAY

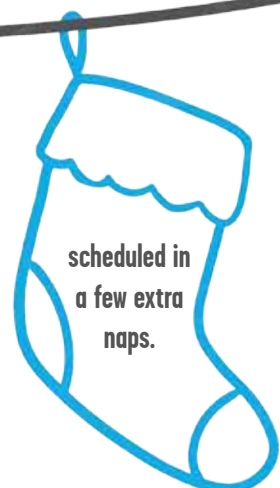
Santa's sigh

At the end of term, set aside time to relax. Let out a long sigh. Stretch. You've done it.

Self-care stockings

The holidays can be a stressful period so we must look after ourselves. Have a go at ticking off all the self-care activities you'll be doing over the holidays.

Over Christmas I have...



New Ways November 2021

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
1 Make a list of new things you want to do this month	2 Respond to a difficult situation in a different way	3 Get outside and observe the changes in nature around you	4 Sign up to join a new course, activity or online community	5 Change your normal routine today and notice how you feel	6 Try out a new way of being physically active	7 Be creative. Cook, draw, write, paint, make or inspire
8 Plan a new activity or idea you want to try out this week	9 When you feel you can't do something, add the word "yet"	10 Be curious. Learn about a new topic or an inspiring idea	11 Choose a different route and see what you notice on the way	12 Find out something new about someone you care about	13 Do something playful outdoors - walk, run, explore, relax	14 Find a new way to help or support a cause you care about
15 Build on new ideas by thinking "Yes, and what if..."	16 Look at life through someone else's eyes and see their perspective	17 Try a new way to practice self-care and be kind to yourself	18 Connect with someone from a different generation	19 Broaden your perspective: read a different paper, magazine or site	20 Make a meal using a recipe or ingredient you've not tried before	21 Learn a new skill from a friend or share one of yours with them
22 Find a new way to tell someone you appreciate them	23 Set aside a regular time to pursue an activity you love	24 Share with a friend something helpful you learned recently	25 Use one of your strengths in a new or creative way	26 Try out a different radio station or new TV show	27 Join a friend doing their hobby and find out why they love it	28 Discover your artistic side. Design a friendly greeting card
29 Enjoy new music today. Play, sing, dance or listen	30 Look for new reasons to be hopeful, even in tough times	31				