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DEAR PARENTS AND CARERS

This week I would really like to give a special mention to Lucy McKevitt in Year 7 who is climbing Snowdon on 30th April in memory of her friend Grace who tragically passed away in May last year. Lucy is raising money for the Alder Centre at Alder Hey. We are very proud of Lucy who embodies what is to be a RACER student. We wish Lucy all the best and will be keeping track of her journey.

It has been another very busy week across the school for all of our year groups, but especially year 11 as we continue to build towards the summer exams.

Year 11 Drama students had their practical exam. They have all been working extremely hard since September on their scripted Drama pieces. Their examinations showed imagination, confidence and characterisation. During the performances, each student was able to showcase their range of talents through their demonstration of vocal and physical skills. Well done to you all.



Well done also to our child development students who took part in their first formal exam this week.

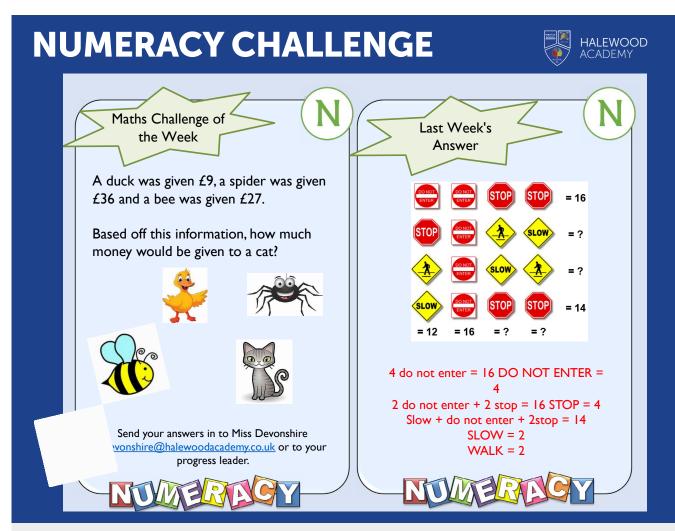
On Monday, we launched an exciting opportunity for our year 11 students to support their progress between now and their final external examinations. Through an

on-line platform called *Impress the Examiner*, a number of our students will be able to access an intensive 20-week intervention course in Maths and Science. The program is designed to address misconceptions and provides regular assessment to track student progress to maximise their potential. This is a national initiative that with a proven track record of improving attainment by at least one grade. Over 10,000 students across the country are currently benefiting from this opportunity. All students have been provided with a link and their individual login details. Our Maths and Science staff are working hard to ensure that students are engaging actively with the process.

We have made some strategic alterations to our Extended Curriculum to further benefit our Year 11 pupils. Year 11 students have been provided with their new period 6 timetable. As parents and carers will see; Maths (week 1) and Science (week 2) will run every Monday; English every Tuesday and options on Wednesday/Friday. Sessions on Monday and Wednesday will be compulsory for some students, sessions on Tuesday will be compulsory for all students. It is vital that they attend where required. In addition, we have designated study time in the LRC on Mondays and Fridays after school. Thank you to parents and carers for their support. For any further information on any of our Year 11 intervention and support opportunities, please contact Ms Catterall; MCatterall@halewoodacademy.co.uk

For Year 8, our Parents and Carers Evening will be taking place on Thursday 10th February between 4-7pm at the Academy. We look forward to seeing vou in person.

Tracey Rollings Principal



WORD OF THE WEEK



Definition:

To be clearly defined or identified.

Synonyms:

exact, precise, particular

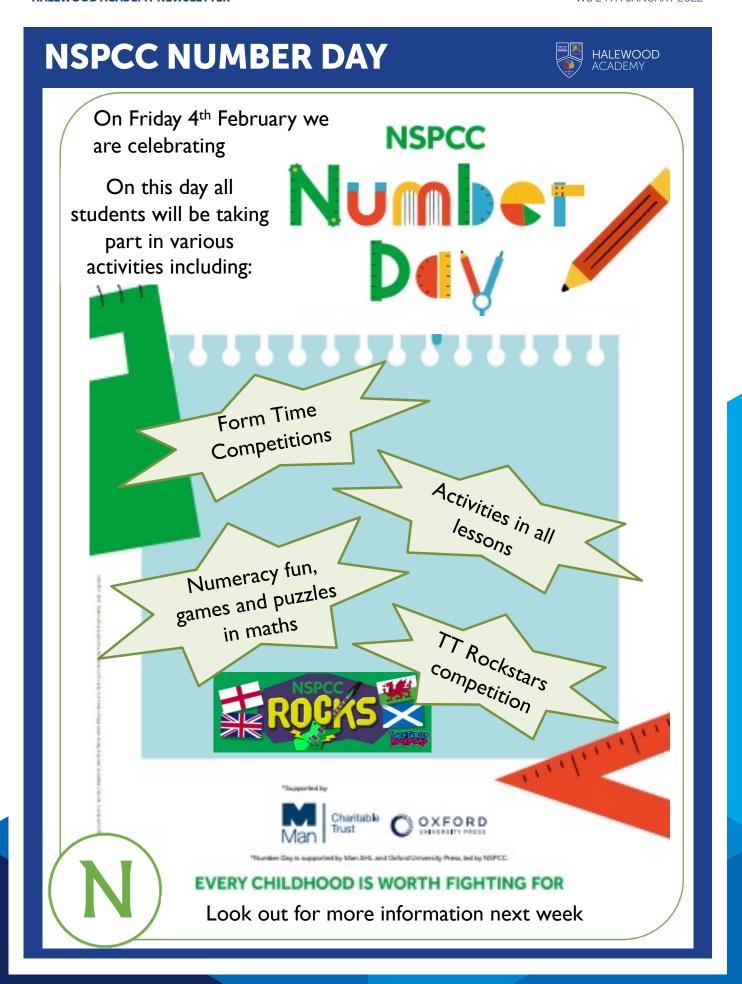
specific

Worked examples:

You should pay attention to specific words within exam questions.

Antonyms:

general, unspecified, vague



YEAR 8 PARENTS' EVENING





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Ms T Rollings

Principal BA, MA, PGCE

20th January 2022

Dear Parent/Carer

As a follow up my previous letter dated 20th January, I am delighted to inform you that the **Year 8 Parents' Evening on Thursday 10th February 2022 from 4:00pm until 7:00pm**, will be a live event.

As already communicated, the evening will provide you with a valuable opportunity for you to meet and speak to your child's teachers, to discuss their attainment and progress, celebrate successes and share next steps for their continued improvement.

The importance of good school attendance (96%+) and punctuality will be reinforced and staff will be available to support you with parental access to Classcharts. This online platform allows us to communicate with you quickly to ensure that you are aware of how your child is doing in school, lesson by lesson and day by day. Good communication is vital to enable us to work together to celebrate successes and share possible steps for improvement. Samples of student work will also be available for you to view.

Prior to the evening, your child will be provided with an appointment slip to enable them to arrange a slot for you to meet with their class teachers.

It is important that we work collaboratively to support your child to reach their full potential and to ensure that their time with us is both happy and successful.

If you haven't done so already, please complete and return the reply slip below to your child's form tutor by the extended date of Friday, 4th February.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs J Thomson

Vice Principal and SLT Link to Year 8

YEAR 8 PARENTS' EVENING



Name of child	Form		
I will/will not be attending the Yr 8 Parents Evening on Thursday 10 th February 2022 (<i>Please delete as applicable</i>)			
Signed	Parent/carer		
Contact Number			



YEAR 8 & 9 GIRLS FOOTBALL

Well done to the Year 8 & 9 girls football team who beat OCA a huge 13-2. Some of the goal scorers were:

Lexie Harris x 5, Paige Cross x 3, Freya Gynane x 1 and Amelia Clarke x1.

Fantastic game girls, well done!

YEAR 11 REVISION NIGHTS



On Mondays and Fridays, the LRC will be open with a designated space for year 11s to revise after school.

Please attend timetabled revision before using the LRC, or if you have no revision on these nights, then consider using it to do some independent or group studying.

THANKFUL THURSDAY WINNERS 🐉





Thankful Thursday Winners-20th January 2022



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.

C Sabatina: She is always there with resources and help. I appreciate her so much! Always very helpful with supporting students, very

supportive, and a nice friendly face to talk to.

A Gallen: Thank you for being super supportive this week. I appreciate all your support! She kindly offered to go out of her way to drop off work for me to complete whilst I was isolating, ensuring my students would not fall behind during my absence.

A Morgan: She has been amazing with pupils, working 1-1 with them to help support them and putting a support plan into place. Thank you, much appreciated!

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FREE Online Event – Making it into the Medical Sciences



There are plenty of benefits to a career in the medical sciences including job satisfaction, job stability, earning potential and plenty of

Expert advice on breaking into medicine, dentistry, and veterinary science.

opportunity for growth. In this event, we'll hear from leading experts in medicine, dentistry, and veterinary science to explore the ways you can help your child on their journey into medical sciences. Highlights will include:

• The key skills required to pursue a career in the medical sciences, including ways to build, develop, and present these skills to universities and employers.

- The variety of roles available in the healthcare industry and how to get there.
- A breakdown of the application process and some top tips to help your child stand out from the

Making it in the Medical Sciences

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REGISTER FOR EVENT



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FOR MORE INFO PLEASE EMAIL MRS JONES - cjones@halewoodacademy.co.uk

KS3 & 4 SCIENTIST OF THE WEEK





KS3 Scientist of the Week

Poppy Beale



KS3 Science Core Value Champions

Respect

Aspiration

Collaboration

Excellence

Resilience

Y7 | Imogen Douglas

Reagan Jones George Moran

Ava Foster

Leo Toller

Y8 Ellie Warrender

Connor Foulder

Graice O'Sullivan

Joshua Emakpor Lydia McLaren

Y9 Ava Mitchell Stevie Kaufman Kothar Nagi

Johnny Wilkes Josh Spence



KS4 Scientist of the Week

Ben Hyland



KS4 Science Core Value Champions

Respect

Aspiration

Collaboration

Excellence

Resilience

Y10

Paige Mullen Abbi Clarke-Hodgson Jack Fielden Thomas Rodaway Benjamin McAlister

Y11

Abi Redmond

Shay Fong

Harry Morgan Aaron Venables Joshua Martin

RECOMMENDED **READS**



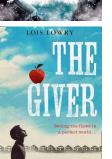
Where the World Ends by **Geraldine McCaughrean**



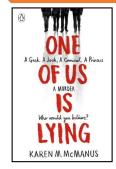
One of Us is Lying by Karen M. **McManus**











Year 11

Broken Sky by L.A. Weatherly



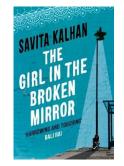




Eleanor Oliphant is Completely Fine by Gail Honeyman





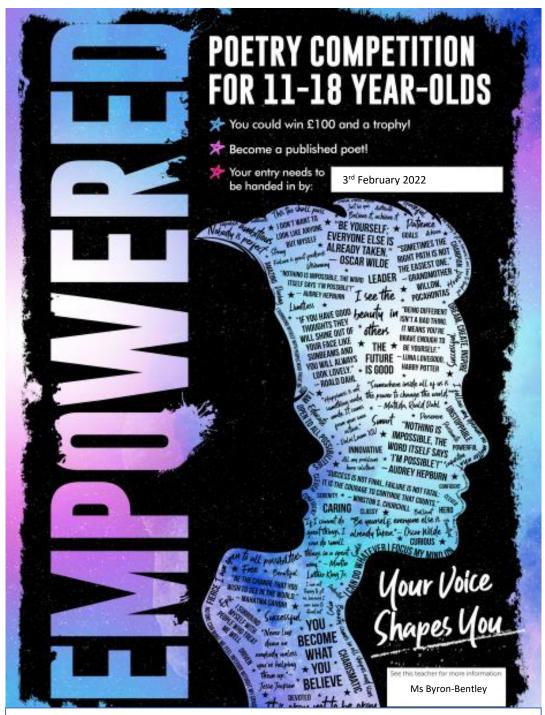




The Girl in the Broken Mirror by Savita Kalhan



EMPOWERED POETRY COMPETITION



Young Writers is currently running a national poetry writing competition, and we are entering aspiring writers from Halewood Academy! Students are encouraged to write about something they feel passionately about. *Empowered* helps students find and use their voices to express themselves through poetry. Please ensure all entries are to be submitted to Ms Byron-Bentley via email ebyronbentley@halewoodacademy.co.uk by 3pm Friday 3rd February 2022.

YEAR 11 SATURDAYS - EXTENDED CURRICULUM

14th January 2021

Dear Parents/Carers

Re: Year 11 Saturdays- Extended Curriculum

I write to inform you that we will be providing an extended curriculum timetable for Year 11 students, which will take place on Saturdays. All of these sessions are three hours long. These sessions will start at 9am and finish at 12 noon. Please be aware that due to the reception area not being manned on Saturdays, latecomers will not be allowed entry.

The Saturday revision dates are detailed below:

Date
22/1/22 PE
29/1/22 Dance
5/2/22 Science
12/2/22 Computer Science

Students are welcome to bring a bottle of water/juice with them but not fizzy drinks. They will not be expected to wear school uniform but will still be expected to have their equipment and face covering.

We strongly advise all students that study these subjects to attend these sessions. They will be invaluable in terms of ensuring that they are prepared for their summer examinations.

Yours faithfully,

M. Catterall

Assistant Principal



HOMEWORK

TIMETABLE

Subject	Platform	Frequency - KS3	Frequency - KS4
English	Seneca	Weekly	Weekly
Math's	Hegarty	Weekly	Weekly
Science	Seneca/Educake	Weekly	Weekly
Humanities	Seneca	Fortnightly	Weekly
MFL	Seneca	Fortnightly	Weekly
PA	Teams	Half term	Weekly
Tech	Teams	Half termly	weekly
Childcare	Teams		Weekly
Media	Teams		Weekly
Health and social	Teams		Weekly
Computer science	Teams	Half termly	Weekly
PE /sports science	Teams		Weekly

Hello and Happy New Year!

As we begin a new year, I just wanted to give a quick recap on homework.

The timetable above shows the frequency that homework will be set for your son/daughter based on their Key Stage and what subjects they study. All students have been made aware of their requirement to complete homework on time, and they will be rewarded for this through class charts. Equally, if homework isn't completed then it will also be logged via class charts for you to keep track of.

All homework is put on to Microsoft Teams, and your son/daughter will know their login details for this. The homework will clearly be labelled as homework, and will have a start and end date that it must be completed by. You may also see assignments labelled as "Classwork" or "Remote Learning"; these are not homework and are only to be completed if you are in a lesson or are isolating respectively. The school library is open at break, lunch time and after school to provide a safe space for students to complete homework.

I hope that you can support your children at home, as we are at school, by extolling the benefits of completing homework on time and to the best of their ability.

Mr J Marsh





find out more at planitplus.net SQA gateway





CHANGES TO CURRICULUM



Dear Parent/Carer

I write to inform you of the changes to our extended curriculum that we feel are in the best interests of our Year 11 students after the analysis of our recent mock examination data. This will begin from Monday 31st January 2022, which is Week 2.

The new Lesson 6 timetable for Year 11 is detailed below:

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Friday
Maths- Week I-	English-	Options-	Options-
compulsory for	Compulsory for	Compulsory for	Compulsory for
targeted	ALL students	targeted students	targeted students
students but		in certain subjects	in Computer
available to all.		but available to all.	Science, History
			and Geography but
Science- Week 2-		History and	available to all.
compulsory for		Geography are not	
targeted		on on this day.	
students but			The other available
available to all.			available options on
			this day are:
			Design Technology
			Food Technology
			Art
			Graphics
			Photography

Please note that if your child is targeted for a compulsory session, you will get a separate letter telling you which subject that is for. However, please note that English on Tuesdays is compulsory for all Year 11 pupils.

It is extremely important that all pupils attend as many of their lesson 6 sessions as possible. However, if they are targeted in a session and it becomes compulsory for them, they absolutely must be there in order to be able to make the necessary progress towards their target for their GCSE s in the summer examinations.

Yours Faithfully,

Miss M. Catterall.

(Assistant Principal)

MEMBER OF THE WADE DEACON TRUST

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SATURDAY

SUNDAY

MONDAY

ACTION FOR HAPPINESS

Happier · Kinder · Together



Happier January 2022

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Do something

Get moving.

Say positive

29

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Plan something

fun and invite

digital devices

Put away

and focus on

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Take a small

25

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> > enjoyed recently people about Ask other

things to the Get outside meet today people you

positively to community Contribute your local

things that are and notice five

when you make with yourself Be gentle mistakes

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with an old in contact Get back friend

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good time and allow yourself Go to bed in to recharge

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something kind

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someone near Connect with smile or chat you - share a

what you notice different route today and see

> really nourishes Eat healthy food which you today

Write a list TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

and notice their good in others Look for the strengths

breathe

it with others

minutes to sit still and just Take five

THURSDAY

Learn something new and share

