

Hartismere News

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ROME TRIP

Miss Pierides and Miss Driscoll took Year 13 religious studies and history students to Rome. We had an excellent time visiting the Colosseum, St. Peter's Basilica, the Trevi Fountain and the Sistine Chapel. The students also took part in pizza making, ice-cream tasting and enjoyed exploring Rome. Thank you to all of the students for making this trip such a success!







SPORTS COUNCIL

Four students from each year group are selected to be our Sports Council members each school year. The purpose of the council is to check and challenge the PE Department and help to shape PE, school sport and physical activity at Hartismere for the present and the future. Sports Council members are carefully chosen based on numerous skills that they possess or skills that they will be able to develop by being involved. This includes confidence speaking in front of peers, thinking and reasoning, listening to the opinions of others, demonstrating empathy and understanding and displaying reliability. Congratulations to all who have been chosen this year. Tommy (chairperson) and Ruby (secretary) have been selected to lead the meetings.



SPORTS CAPTAINS

Our school has seven houses. All of the houses are drawn from local historical names. Each name is linked to a value that they have embodied in their lifetime, values which we expect our students to personify in their time at Hartismere and beyond. Our Sports Captains are voted in each year by their peers and are responsible for ensuring all house members positively participate in our house sports events and demonstrate and uphold these values. We have three events with which our House Captains are responsible for: 'The Winter Games', 'The Spring Games' and the 'Summer Games' (Sports Day). Congratulations to all who were voted in by their peers for this



House Cup Winter Games

Our Winter Games take place in the final two weeks of the autumn term, with competitions held for each year group during lessons. By the time this newsletter has been sent out, we will know the winners of each year group!





PE FIXTURE RESULTS

RESULTS

We organise a number of fixtures throughout the year, and try to accommodate the needs of all pupils, either igniting or expanding their love of PE and sport, using our motto PE 4 Life, with 'life' standing for lifelong, inclusive, fun and educational. Our results since the last newsletter are as follows:

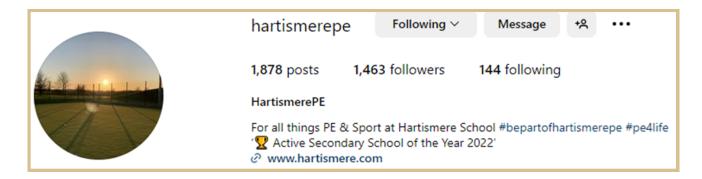
Year	Sport	Opposition	Result
U12/Yr 7	Football	Thomas Mills	Loss
U16/Yr 11	Hockey	Partnership Tournament 1st & 4	
U12/Yr 7	Football	Wym College Win	
U14/Yr 9	Rugby	Southwold Tournament	1st
U16/Yr 11	Football	Thomas Mills	Loss
U15/ Yr 10	Netball	Thomas Mills	Win
U12/Yr 7	Netball	Thomas Mills	Win
U15/ Yr 10	Rugby	Southwold Tournament	3rd
6th Form	Netball	Omnibus Games 2nd	
U15/ Yr 10	Netball	Omnibus Games 2nd	
U15/ Yr 10	Football	Partnership Tournament 6th & 7	
6th Form	Football	Tournament 3rd	
U13/Yr 8	Football	Omnibus Games Win	
U14/Yr 9	Hockey	Friendly Loss	
U16/Yr 11	Rugby	Thomas Mills	Loss
U14/Yr 9	Football	Omnibus Games	
U13/Yr 8	Football	Alde Valley Win	
U15/ Yr 10	Futsal	Stowmarket 3rd	
U16/Yr 11	Rugby	Southwold Tournament Loss	
U13/Yr 8	Football	Debenham Loss	
U14/Yr 9	Netball	Bungay	
Yr 7/8	Team Building	Various -	



Various	Swimming	Ipswich High school	
Various	Cross Country	Suffolk Schools	Various
U15/ Yr 10	Football	County Cup	Loss
U15/ Yr 10	Football	County tournament	3rd
U14/Yr 9	Hockey	friendly	
U16/Yr 11	Netball	Thomas Mills	2nd
U12/Yr 7	Football	Omnibus Games	Loss
Yr 7/8	Hockey	Debenham	3rd
U15/ Yr 10	Football	Debenham	Loss
Yr 7/8	Rugby	Southwold Tournament	2nd
U12/Yr 7	Rugby	East Bergholt	Win
Yr 7/8	Hockey	Partnership Tournament	Win/draw
U14/Yr 9	Rugby	East Bergholt	Win
U12/Yr 7	Hockey	Partnership Tournament	Draw/loss
Yr 8/9	Basketball	Bungay	N/A
U13/Yr 8	Futsal	EFL - County Schools	3rd
U12/Yr 7	Football	Thomas Mills/Alde Valley	
Various	Swimming	Various	
U12/Yr 7	Football	Farlingaye	Loss
U13/Yr 8	Football	Bungay Loss	
U13/Yr 8	Football	Debenham Loss	
U14/Yr 9	Football	Sir John Leman	Loss
U13/Yr 8	Futsal	Stowmarket	4th
U13/U16	Table Tennis	Omnibus Games	
U13/Yr 8	Netball	Thomas Mills	Win
Yr10/11	Hockey	Thomas Mills	

U12/Yr 7	Futsal	Thomas Mills	
Yr 7/8	Hockey	Thomas Mills Win	
U12/Yr 7	Futsal	Various	4th
U14/Yr 9	Badminton	Thomas Mills	Win
6th Form	Football	Bungay	Loss





Spring Clubs

Our Spring term clubs will be announced shortly. This will mean a slight change to our existing timetable to accommodate the needs of all pupils. Rest assured that Monday night will remain as our main club night, with various options on offer (the sports offered may occasionally change due to the weather). Due to the support of our wonderful extended PE Department colleagues, we are able to offer cheerleading on a Tuesday and Zumba and running on a Thursday (all 4-5pm).

@HARTISMERE INSTAGRAM

We have a very active Instagram account, which is the best way to follow the many achievements and notices related to all things PE, school sport and physical activity at Hartismere. This is a private account, so we have to verify all who wish to follow us. If it is not clear that you are a parent/guardian, it can take a while before we accept your request, so it is often best to email pe@hartismere.com. Just a reminder that children must be 13 years old to have an Instagram account.

PE KIT REMINDER

A letter was recently distributed outlining our PE kit expectations, particularly through the winter months, given sudden temperature changes. Additional items such as a navy base layer or navy plain jacket are worth considering, as well as relatively plain gloves, hats and snoods. For safety, we advise gum shields (for rugby and hockey) and shin pads (for hockey and football). These items are compulsory for school fixtures. Please also note that earrings, necklaces, rings and bracelets should not be worn (*earrings where just pierced must be taped up) and longer hair must be tied back.

MUSIC EXAM RESULTS

Fred Demangeat-Ransome Grade 6 Flute Pass
Roman Boxall-Hunt Grade 2 Piano Distinction
Jess Thorne Grade 1 Piano Merit
Edward Boama Grade 5 Music Theory Pass









COMMENDATIONS

Student Name	Form	Points
Emilia Clifford	7B	22
Amber Webb	7H	21
Alina Voloshina- Suggate	7G	18
Jay Banes	7G	18
Erin Barnes	10E	17
Emily Johnson	8F	17
Zak Mortimer	8A	17
Isla Coffey	7C	17
Josh Davis	7A	17
Archie Worger	11A	16
Annabel Brown	9C	16
Eve MacEachern	9G	16

Individual Half Term Totals

Student Name	Form	Points
Lilly Slater	9F	16
Binley Mckenzie	9B	16
Erin Millin	8C	16
Cody Butcher	7B	16
Henry Flatman	7G	16
Noel Bassett	9E	15
Michalina Bryla	9G	15
Henry Allison- Hales	9F	15
Mimi Bower	7B	15
Brieana Smith	7H	15
Malachi Hunter	7F	15
Betsey Henderson	10E	14
Aeryn Beckett	9A	14

Form Order

1^{st}	7G	239
2 nd	7B	221
3 rd	9A	219
3 rd	7H	217
4 th	9G	213
5 th	9C	205
6 th	10A	201
7 th	7C	198
8 th	9F	198
8 th	9B	197
9 th	10E	190
9 th	9E	188
10 th	8E	185
11 th	7E	180

12 th	7A	173
13 th	8F	173
14 th	8C	171
15 th	7F	170
16 th	8H	169
17 th	11A	166
18 th	8B	164
19 th	8G	159
20 th	11F	146
21 st	10G	143
22 nd	10C	136
23 rd	10B	132
24 th	8A	132
25 th	11B	126
26 th	10F	110
27 th	11E	110
29 th	11C	107



A-Level Art and Photography Trip: Brick Lane, Shoreditch and the Gilbert and George Centre

As part of their A-Level work students had the opportunity to visit the Gilbert and George Centre, Bricklane and Shoreditch. During the trip students had a tour of the gallery, learning about the long and colourful careers of Gilbert and George, the artistic duo. They also visited the White Chapel Gallery and had a look in the vintage shops and street art on Brick Lane. The day was finished off with a tasty group meal at Pizza Express. A great day out was had by all.

https://gilbertandgeorgecentre.org/

https://oldspitalfieldsmarket.com/









REMEMBER PARENTPAY — OUR PREFERRED METHOD OF PAYMENT

Parent Pay offers you the freedom to make payments whenever and wherever you like, 24-7, safe in the knowledge that the website has been security checked by many local authorities and uses very high internet security standards.

Have you changed your username and password to something you will easily remember? Select "My profile" to do this. If you have more than one child at the school, merge their accounts so you can pay for everything in one place.

Please contact the school office on 01379 870315 during normal school hours for more details.

FRIENDS OF HARTISMERE SCHOOL

Our efforts to re-launch our PTA as a 'Friends' of Hartismere School group have paid off and we're so pleased to welcome many new volunteers. The aim of the Friends group is to support the school community with practical help, volunteering and fundraising. Friends are notified of upcoming events at the school where some help might be needed: our annual musical production is a good example. Each year many parents and carers support the event by manning the refreshments and helping out in other ways.



Friends would not have to commit to a particular number of events or to meetings: perhaps just helping out at one event a year. **Our first**

Friends meeting will take place on Thursday 11 January 2024 at 6.30pm in the library, where we will chat informally about future fundraising and other ways that we can support our Hartismere family.

Thank you very much to those parents and carers who have got in touch so far. If you would like to register your interest in becoming a Friend, please just send an email to 'friends@hartismere.com'.

Thank you, as ever, for your support.

HARTISMAIL, WEBSITE AND MORE

We would like to remind you about the different ways Hartismere contacts parents, and how you can use the website and social networks to keep informed and up-to-date.

Our preferred way of routinely contacting you is via email. We call it HartisMail. We use this to inform you about important information and any school news.

You can register for HartisMail by creating an account on our website. This has the added benefit of granting you access to additional sections of the website.

To register, you need to:

create an account on the school website at www.hartismere.com/Account/Signup.
 (You can skip this step if you have already registered.)
 Ask your child to enter their username and password when prompted.

Most emails we send home are posted on our website, as well as updates, information, and announcements. New content is added to the website daily.

To keep up with everything that is going on at Hartismere you can also follow us on Facebook and Twitter.



BUS PASSES

The bus companies have asked us to remind families that all students must carry a bus pass for their allocated transport. Students may be refused travel if they do not have the correct pass.

The insurance provided by Suffolk County Council for students' safe travel only covers them for travel on the bus named on their pass.

Cavell week: 10E Cake sale raises over £112.



10E held a cake sale on Friday 13 October and raised over £112 for the Cavell Nurses trust. (Cavell house is one of our Hartismere houses). Thank you to all those who contributed and supported them. Mrs Davy 10E Form tutor



Supporting the nursing and midwifery family through tough times

Cavell provides grants, advice and a listening ear to nurses, midwives, and healthcare assistants looking to take charge of their finances and feel more in control. So, when health, relationships and bills are causing stress, Cavell is here to help.



Sixth Form News

In November we held our annual sixth form open evening where we welcomed almost 500 visitors to the school over the evening. Families and students (our own Hartismere students, and those from neighbouring and far-away schools) were able to hear about our sixth form, the amazing achievements of our students and learn more about what it would be like to be a sixth form student at Hartismere.

Information about each of the subjects we offer can be found on our website in the 'Sixth Form' area and under 'Sixth Form Course Information'.

Tours can be booked at any time using our online booking facility (also found in the sixth form area). We meet all applicants to discuss their future plans and chosen subjects in more detail.

Applications can be made online or using a hard-copy of the form which is available from the sixth form office.

Bursaries for transport and other educational costs are available: details from the sixth form office. Please don't assume you're not eligible for support.

What's coming up next term?

Some (not all!) dates, trips and events next term:

- 10 January: stage makeup workshop
- 11 January: Hamilton theatre trip; Friends of Hartismere meeting
- 12 January: A level business revision workshop
- w/b 15 January: Orwell House week
- 17 January: The Woman in Black theatre trip
- 18 January: A level PE University of Essex trip; art trip
- 29 January: leavers' photographs years 11 & 13
- 31 January: year 13 parents' evening
- 2 February: A level PE workshop
- w/b 5 February: mock exams (sixth form)
- 6 February: GCSE drama performance
- 8 February: Iceland trip
- w/b 12 February: year 11 core subject mocks
- 14 February: Eye Youth & Community Council meeting
- 15 February: Romeo & Juliet theatre trip; Year 11 parents' evening
- 16 February: year 9 languages workshop

New trips, events and visits happen all the time. Where trips are over-subscribed, names are drawn at random. We will try to give families as much time as we can for payments to be made.



BEGINNING AND END OF THE SCHOOL DAY

If parents are picking up and dropping off their children at school and in Eye, please could we ask that they are mindful of people in the local area? Local residents have experienced cars blocking driveways and other access points. Please do park and drive with consideration for everyone in our community.

There is no permission for use of the hospital car park for drop-offs or pick-ups. Thank you for your support.

The Local Authority is responsible for arrangements concerning school buses and this is managed through the service <u>SuffolkOnBoard</u>. It is recommended that, where possible, pupils and students walk or cycle to school.

Please remember that students should only travel on the bus to and from school that is clearly identified on their bus pass, otherwise they risk causing overcrowding and other safety problems.

The insurance provided by Suffolk County Council for students' safe travel only covers them for travel on the bus named on their pass.

SAFEGUARDING INFORMATION

The Senior Designated Professional for Safeguarding in school is Mr Geoff Luxton. The alternate Safeguarding Officers are Mrs Debbie Corbyn or Mrs Claire Jones.



Any concerns regarding the safety and wellbeing of the pupils should be taken directly to either Mr Luxton, Mrs Jones or Mrs Corbyn directly and without delay.

A copy of the Safeguarding Policy and all other policies are available via the link on the school website. If you type "Policies" into the search bar at the top of the page, a list of all policies is shown.

Suffolk Safeguarding Partnership

If you are worried about the welfare or safety of a child, during the holidays for example, you can contact Customer First on 0808 800 4005 (24 hours). There is a great deal of information on the Suffolk Safeguarding Partnership website: suffolksp.org.uk

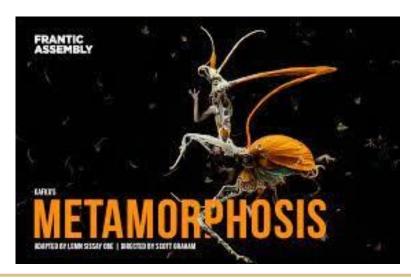
SECOND HAND UNIFORM SHOP

We usually have a small stock of second hand uniform which has kindly been donated by parents. If you would like to purchase any items please email us with your size enquiry to **uniform@hartismere.com** and we can let you know if we have any of the items available in stock.

If you would like to donate any items of school uniform that no longer fit, please drop them into Pupil Services.



Hartismere School trip to see Metamorphosis.



On 8 November, GCSE, A Level drama students and staff travelled to the Mercury Theatre in Colchester to see *Metamorphosis*, the highly-anticipated Frantic Assembly inspired adaptation of Kafka's novel, as part of their live theatre evaluation section of their written exam.



In their first new commission since 2019, Frantic Assembly and Lemn Sissay, OBE collaborate on this thrilling new version of Metamorphosis. Combining the fluidity and lyricism of Lemn Sissay's adaptation and Frantic's uncompromising physicality, it was indeed an unmissable retelling of Franz Kafka's shocking tale of cruelty and kindness (a visceral and vital depiction of humans struggling within a system that crushes them under its heel).

"A word said, an action out of place, the opening of old wounds, none of which can be undone. Until now Gregor has woken every morning, quietly left to take the same train, and worked to pay off the family debt. But that world explodes on this morning of brutal metamorphosis".







The performance highlights the potential for careers in the performing arts, proving an inspiration for many of our talented students who loved the show, and have plenty of opportunity to analyse and evaluate the performance as an informed audience.







Music Department News

The music department has received the lovely news that we have been awarded the Music Mark for 2023-24. This came thanks to a nomination from Suffolk Music Hub in recognition of our "commitment to providing a high-quality music education". Thank you to all the students at Hartismere who make the music department such a lively and enjoyable place to be!

Our next event is the carol concert at St Peter and St Paul's Church in Eye, on Monday 11 December at 7pm. No tickets are required and entrance is free. We look forward to seeing you there!



DATES OF THE SCHOOL YEAR 2023- 2024

Autumn Term - 2023

PD Day Monday 4 September
Tuesday 5 September – Years 7 and 12 return
Wednesday 6 September – All year groups

School ends for pupils Friday 20 October

<u>Half Term</u> - Monday 23 October to Friday 27 October

<u>PD Day Monday 30 October</u>

School Ends Wednesday 20 December

Spring Term - 2024

PD Day Wednesday 3 January Pupils return Thursday 4 January

School ends for pupils Friday 16 February Half Term - Monday 19 to Fri 23 February

School Ends for pupils Thursday 28 March

Summer Term - 2024

PD Day Friday 12 April Pupils return Monday 15 April

Bank Holiday Monday 6 May
PD day Tuesday 7 May
Half Term - Monday 27 May to Friday 31 May

School Ends Friday 19 July - pupils leave @ midday