

# Head's Newsletter

**22 September 2023**

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Dear Parents/Carers

I hope you have had a lovely week and that all is well.

## **Successful Start to Netball Season!**

It was great to hear about the return of netball fixtures last week. Our Year 9, 10 and 11 teams headed to Diss and returned to Hobart with two wins and one loss (see details below). An excellent start to the season for our youngsters.



Year 11 won 28 - 14 with the players of the match selected as Lottie Nicholson and Freya Revell (Year 10s playing in the year above).

Year 10 won 26 - 10 with the player of the match awarded to Alana Bartley.

Year 9 lost 17 - 7. Evie Greenhalf achieved the player of the match award.

Well done to all involved and thanks to the staff who accompanied and coached the students.

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## **Author Zoom Session with Ross Montgomery**

Last Friday, author Ross Montgomery delivered a Zoom chat with some of our Year 7 youngsters in the library. The students behaved and engaged well despite space being at a premium and the heat in the room! It was fantastic to see so many Year 7s who were keen to take part.



## **Defeat for Year 11 Football Team**

Our Year 11 boy's football team had a long way to travel for their opening fixture of the season, which they lost 4-1 to Alderman Peel (Wells-next-the-Sea) in very windy conditions. Player of the match was awarded to Finlay Taylor.

## **Year 10 Sports Leaders – Cluster Primaries Football Event**

This week has seen the return of us hosting cluster primary sports events, with our Year 10 leaders supporting the organisation and refereeing of a football tournament. Thanks to all the students and staff involved.

## **Uniform update**

Thanks you for your support in ensuring students arrive for school in the correct inform. A reminder that skirts should not be made of stretchy fabric and of an appropriate length.

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## **Year 10 Product Design: Camera Crew, Smile Please!**

Currently in Year 10 GSCE Design Technology, we have created digital single-lens reflex cameras (DSLR) out of cardboard boxes, using a template to guide us. Craft knives, hot glue guns, safety rulers and cutting mats were used in the process. As part of our learning, we have been shown how to use the equipment safely. The cutting mats help us to safely control the craft knife, and we were shown how to position and place our hands and fingers. Article by Matilda and Ash (Year 10)



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## **Open Evening 2023 and Year 6 Primary Visits**

Our open evening takes place next week and preparations are well and truly underway. Please see the flyer below for further details. Thank you in advance to families who are supporting with lifts etc. for the many, many students who will be involved in supporting the event within departments or as tour guides.



The flyer is enclosed in a dark blue border. On the left is a photograph of a group of students in school uniforms walking on a path. To the right of the photo, the text 'Hobart High School's Open Evening' is written in a bold, dark blue font. Further right is the Hobart High School logo, which consists of a stylized gold leaf icon above the words 'HOBART HIGH SCHOOL' in a serif font. Below the title and logo, the text 'An evening to explore our school and discover how we can support your child on Thursday 28 September 2023. From 6.30pm to 8.30pm.' is written in a smaller, dark blue font. At the bottom, there is a bulleted list of activities in a dark blue font.

**Hobart High School's  
Open Evening**

**HOBART  
HIGH SCHOOL**

**An evening to explore our school and discover how we can support your  
child on Thursday 28 September 2023. From 6.30pm to 8.30pm.**

- **Presentation by Mr Li-Rocchi, Head of School, and Hobart students  
in the main hall at 6.30pm and 7.30pm**
- **Tours of the school led by our wonderful students**
- **Visit departments to take part in activities and observe  
demonstrations**

## **Hobart Allotment**

We are incredibly excited to announce that work on our Hobart allotment is due to start before October half term. A team of Year 9 and 10 students will be working with Norfolk charity the Papillon Project, to create an allotment to grow fruit and vegetables in a space near the front of the school.

We are looking for donations of equipment for the students to use including the following:

- gardening gloves
- trugs
- spades
- forks
- hand tools
- wheelbarrows

If you are able to support us by donating any equipment, please get in touch with Mrs Nethersell-Webb.



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## Stars of the Week

### History

**Evie Greenhalf** – Year 9 – Evie makes excellent contributions to lessons and is always so engaged with her work. She is enthusiastic and demonstrates excellent commitment to her studies. Well done Evie!



**Jemima Wilson** – Year 11 – Jemima puts in consistently high levels of effort during her GCSE History lessons and always demonstrates an excellent attitude towards her learning. Well done Jemima; keep up the brilliant work!

### GCSE Business



#### **Matthew McRobie** – Year 10

Matthew is a fantastic student and his commitment to GCSE Business has been excellent. He engages with the subject, he always makes contributions to class discussions and he wants to answer questions and develop his knowledge. This is important not only for his development, but has helped to create a positive environment in his group and encouraged others to contribute, which will help the subject evolve.



#### **Isaac Bromley** – Year 11

Isaac has made excellent recent progress and has really impressed his new teacher (Mr Loveday) with his levels of engagement and contributions to lessons. Isaac has built on the progress he made with his summer exams and carried that focus and improvement into Year 11. Well done Isaac on such a positive start to the academic year!

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## Extra-Curricular Activities 2023-2024



| Activity                  | When/Where/Details  |
|---------------------------|---|
| Anti-Bullying Ambassadors | Thursdays at 8.40am<br>H6   |
| Art Club                  | Lunchtimes – 12.10pm – 1.00pm<br>A2<br>All years welcome  |
| DICE Group                | Tuesday Lunchtimes 12.15pm – 12.45pm<br>ICT 4   |
| Drama Clubs               | Beauty and the Beast Rehearsals<br>Throughout the week until February half-term<br><br>February onwards, Drama Club will run on<br>Wednesday lunchtimes |
| Music Groups              | Choir Thursdays 12.15pm<br>Music Room<br><br>Concert Band Thursdays 12.45pm<br>Music Room<br><br>Flute Group Tuesdays 12.40pm<br>Music Room             |
| PE Clubs & Activities     | Various throughout the week – please refer to the PE poster   |
| Pride Group               | Friday Lunchtimes<br>12.15pm – 12.45pm<br>E7  |
| Science Club              | Mondays 12.20pm – 1.00pm<br>Lab 2   |
| Student Leader Meeting    | Mondays 8.40am<br>Canteen   |



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Best wishes and have a super weekend!

**Ross Li-Rocchi**  
Head of School