

Head's Newsletter

29 September 2023

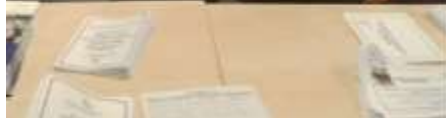
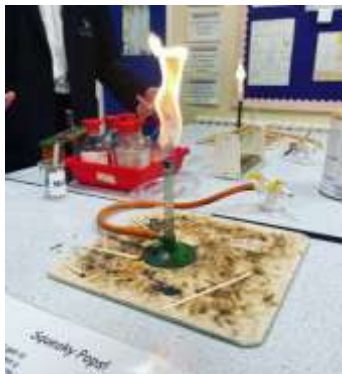
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Dear Parents/Carers

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

Another Brilliant Open Evening!

An important event took place on Thursday this week as we welcomed prospective Year 6/Year 5 youngsters and their families to our open evening. I would like to thank staff and the many student volunteers who worked so hard to put on the various displays, activities, site tours and in welcoming our visitors.



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Victory for Year 10 Football Team

Our Year 10 boy's football team competed in their first fixture of the season last Friday, which ended in a 3-2 home victory against Archbishop Sancroft. The boys came from behind to secure the win, and enjoyed some periods of sustained pressure. Dexter Lee (2) and Jack Betney scored the goals. Player of the match was Dexter Lee.

Under 14 Girls' Football – Hard Fought Match

Our under 14 girls' football played well but lost 3-2 to Long Stratton in a competitive match. Faith Wakefield scored both goals and was awarded player of the match.

Netball Latest – More Success

The strong start to the season from our netball teams continued this week, well done girls, with positive results in two fixtures vs Thetford Academy:

Year 9 won 13-9 with player of the match awarded to Ava Cawston.

Year 10 won 13-6 with player of the match awarded to Mimi Tyler.



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Year 8 Football – Two Convincing Victories

There were two excellent convincing wins for our Year 8 team this week, who beat Sewell Park in County Cup 6-0, and also won 8-0 vs Archbishop Sancroft. Well done to all involved and thanks to Mr Ball for the detailed match reports below.

1st Round - County Cup vs Sewell Park Academy (Away) Monday 25 September 2023.

On Monday afternoon (25 September 2023), the Year 8 football team played their first competitive 11-a-side game of the season in the first round of the County cup against Sewell Park from Norwich. This is the first time the team have had the opportunity to play in this competition, which is the biggest competition in school football.

With this came an opportunity to choose a squad of 13 that was made up of those who have remained committed to training from the start of the academic year.

The game started well for Hobart with some good midfield pressing from Zach Walker and Henry Daniels leading to opportunities, for Finley Hastings-Payne and Billy Stopforth, who both went through on goal but didn't score. Hobart continued with a strong start that led to the first goal of the game, with a ball out to the right that Finley took wide, before angling an excellent shot back over the goalkeeper. This pattern continued and a cross-field pass from Kai McCabe, who worked tirelessly down the left, found its way to Finley in a similar position and he again finished with a high looping shot over the keeper. A third goal came shortly after, with Henry winning the ball in midfield and releasing Finley, he took the ball wide right, before crossing to the back post for Billy to score his first of the match, with a controlled header. The half finished 3-0.

In the second half, Hobart continued where they left off and an early free kick presented Zach Walker with a chance to send in a powerful, looping shot over the goalkeeper. More chances came and Finley completed his hat-trick from a similar wide right angle, again with a shot over the keeper. Henry Daniels added another goal after a powerful run from George

Holmes to complete the scoring and send Hobart comfortably through to the next round.



**Final Score: Sewell Park Academy 0
Hobart 6**

Player of the match: Finley Hastings-Payne
for an excellent hat-trick and a great assist.

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1st league game vs Harleston Sancroft Academy (Home) Wednesday 27 September 2023

On Wednesday afternoon (27 September 2023), the Year 8 football team played their first 11-a-side league game of the season against Archbishop Sancroft Academy.

Again, Hobart made a positive start to this game and a feature of that start was the work rate of the midfield (Kai McCabe, Zach Walker, Henry Daniels and Max George). An early shot led to a mistake from their goalkeeper and ball rebounded to Billy Stopforth who finished well to put Hobart 1-0 ahead. A second goal came quickly, as Billy scored his second goal after good work from Finley Hastings-Payne. The goals continued from Kai McCabe and a well taken corner from Finley was headed in by Chubb to make the score 5-0 at half time.

In the second half, the game was shortened to a 16 minute half, as Harleston had limited time. That did not stop the goals, Billy completed his hat-trick, Max George scored with a great finish into the top corner and Finley Hasting-Payne finished into the bottom corner. It was a difficult game to manage for the players, but the majority behaved maturely and took the opportunity to play positively and move the ball and the opposition to create chances.

Final score: Hobart 8 Harleston Sancroft Academy 0

Player of the match: Kai McCabe for his movement and use of the ball. He was always in space and took every opportunity to create chances and was at the heart of all the positive play from Hobart.

I would also like to thank our Year 11 volunteers, Korey Beevor and JJ Godfrey who refereed the game and George Pomfret for taking the role as linesperson. They were excellent and great ambassadors for the school.

Next match: vs Old Buckenham on Thursday 5 October 2023 – Home 3.45 KO.

Reports by Mr Ball

Football Trial Success – Jess Harvey

Huge congratulations to Jess Harvey (Year 8) who has been successfully selected for a place at Ipswich Town Girls Advanced Training Centre following a successful trial! Jess has a real passion for football and we are all very proud of her achievement. Well done Jess – we look forward to hearing about your future football adventures!

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Year 11 GCSE Geography Field trips to Southwold

Ms Smith led her enthusiastic team of Year 11 geographers to Southwold this week accompanied by a team of staff. The focus was completion of fieldwork data collection, which is to be used in their final GCSE exam. The day was split into two parts, looking at both the physical and human aspects of geography.

The first half of the day was spent on the beach - where the weather was thankfully pleasant! Through analysis of the groyne as a sea defence, and building a beach profile, students gathered some interesting data so they were able to evaluate the effectiveness of coastal defences in the area. Finally, with the help of an orange(!), they were able to observe longshore drift in action.

The second half of the day looked at the impacts of tourism on the local area. Categorisation of local businesses and housing occupation have allowed our Year 11s to form a picture of how tourism can affect local people, both positively and negatively.

All the data collected will now be used in school, collated, and analysed, so they are able to draw some conclusions.



Post 16 Evening – Thursday 5 October

Next week, our post 16 evening takes place – an important event for Year 11 and any interested Year 10 students/families. A number of colleges, sixth forms and training providers attend our school, and each has a 'stall' that can be visited to learn more about courses on offer, forthcoming open evenings/open days and other important information. It will be great to see you there!

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Hobart Clubs and Societies Awareness Event

We held our first Clubs and Societies event on Tuesday lunchtime where our Student Leaders promoted the lunchtime and after school clubs and activities that are available to participate in at Hobart High School.

It was wonderful to listen to the conversations between the students, who already attend encouraging the Year 7 and 8 particularly to come, have a go and join in with something they may not have tried before. It was super to see so many gaining confidence, signing up and taking that first step. We hope to see many more students at the clubs and activities next week! If you wish for any more information - please get in contact with the school.



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Subject Stars of the Week

Drama

Gareth Nunn (Year 11) - Gareth has excellent knowledge and understanding of the technical aspects of Drama and is our Tech Team lead for the school production. He has also shown real perseverance with some more challenging tasks linked to the devising unit.



Bradley Rope (Year 10) - Bradley has begun the GCSE course in an impressive manner. He has shown excellent commitment to group work and a real desire to develop his skills. Bradley has also demonstrated an outstanding work ethic during rehearsals for Beauty and the Beast.

GCSE Computer Science

Charlie Perry (Year 10) - Charlie has made an excellent start to the course; he is engaged in the lessons and is making excellent early progress. He shows a genuine enthusiasm for what he is learning and has a natural aptitude for the subject. Charlie has taken on some difficult computing concepts and grasped them quickly and he has taken that further by helping those around him and sharing his understanding. Well done Charlie!



Oscar Parker-Humphreys (Year 10) - Like Charlie, Oscar has made an excellent start to the course. He uses his lesson time proactively and it is his commitment and effort that have been so impressive to date. Oscar has been working hard to learn brand new concepts in computing; he has been asking questions and taken responsibility for his learning. It is great to see someone approach their GCSEs in such a mature way. Well done Oscar!

Mr Ball,
Head of IT, Computing and Business

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Year 7 Bookmark Project: Using the 2 D Design program and laser cutters. Computer Aided Design (CAD) and Computer Aided Manufacture (CAM)

Some comments from our Year 7 students about their latest work in Design Technology:

"In technology I have been designing bookmarks for me and my family. I designed four bookmarks using 2D Design and had lots of fun creating my designs. Next, I am going to be laser cutting my bookmarks and giving them to my family to enjoy."

"We never really did this sort of stuff in primary school, so I thought I was very behind on all of this. I eventually caught up and here is what I have learnt... Firstly, I have learnt how to make designs for items I never would have considered. We have been making bookmark designs with some strange little caterpillars on them. We started by making some circles that overlapped with each other. We then deleted the overlapping lines and made some quirky little feet for them. We also made some bizarre little faces. Then, we made a border around the edge of the sheet. Next, we added the outlines for the bookmarks and put our little creatures on the design. I have especially enjoyed going on a little design journey with my caterpillar through various stages."

"In Technology we are making bookmarks. To make them we used 2D design to plan how our bookmarks were going to be presented. I enjoyed this because I was testing my skills to make things that I have never made before."

"During this project I learned how to use 2D design. We have made caterpillars and bookmarks - it was lots of fun. We could make four bookmarkers for people like mum, dad, friend, cousin and more. I have learned how to do shapes, texts, and a lot more. I achieved four amazing bookmarks with caterpillars. Mr Brown has done a great job teaching us all of this in 4 weeks!"



Kind regards and I hope you enjoy your weekend.

Ross Li-Rocchi
Head of School