

Friday 26 January 2024

Follow me on Twitter: @Hobart\_Head

Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome to the latest newsletter – I hope you have had a good week.

## **Design Technology Latest - Computer Aided Design/Computer Aided Manufacture - Year 7 Bookmarks and Keyrings**

Our Year 7 students have been busily using computer aided design and manufacture to create their own bookmarks and keyrings. The Year 7 student 'write ups' below provide details of the work they have undertaken!

I am happy with how my keyring and bookmarks came out. The only thing that I need to change is the bottom of the mouth of the caterpillar which is slightly wonky, so there is a gap. I made the keyrings for my mum, dad and cousins. 2d design helped me create different features in my product.

**By Kashia**

In DT we have learned about a software called 2d design with Mr Brown. We designed a caterpillar, keyring and a bookmark. We learned key words like 'contour' and 'laser cutter'. Caterpillars are engraved on the bookmarks, creating a picture of our caterpillars without it wearing away. We also learned about the features that a bookmark needs, like curved edges so it doesn't crease the page.

**By Lathujan**



Friday 26 January 2024

Follow me on Twitter: @Hobart\_Head

In DT we've been learning to design bookmarks, keyrings and caterpillars and how the laser cutters work (we even saw it working!) 2d design is a program that allows you to make and design lots of different things. It is an advanced program that has millions of possibilities of what you can design. **By Sophie**

In design technology I have learnt about how to use 2d design and about CAD and CAM. Whilst having fun designing my fabulous caterpillar (Bob) I have also learnt about product design. Thank you Mr. Brown  
**By Aurelia**

I've really liked doing this project. I made a caterpillar which I added to my bookmark and 'laser cut' it out. I've learned how to market and design my creation to peoples liking. **By Thomas**

We have learnt different techniques on 2D design. Mr Brown taught us some different techniques to make the caterpillar the best way possible and place it on a bookmark or even a key ring with the help of Mr Brown. **By Dylan**



## Subject Stars of the Week

### Modern Foreign Languages

**Ashmita Kesavan and Eleanor Robinson (Year 7) and Enid Morris (Year 8)**

Each of the students above have been awarded postcards home for excellent work and enthusiastic oral contributions in lessons. Well done!



### Religious Studies

**George Betney (Year 8)** - George puts consistently high effort into his work and is a role model for other students.



**Amy Cooper (Year 10)** - Amy works tirelessly in lessons and completes homework to a high standard meaning she is producing excellent work and making great progress.

Friday 26 January 2024

Follow me on Twitter: @Hobart\_Head

## Important Reminder – Aerosols are Banned in School

We obviously aim to ensure students are aware how they can act safely within the school community. A reminder that aerosols should not be brought to school by students. There are staff and students in school who have asthma or other health situations that can be badly affected by aerosol spray, and this is why they are banned.

Aerosols that are brought to school will be confiscated, and any students that use aerosols in schools will receive sanctions in line with our behaviour. Please aim to reinforce this key information with your children. Thank you for your support.

## Book review by Verity Todd (Year 8)



Bleach tells the story of Ichigo (strawberry) - a boy who can see ghosts and is helping them go on to the afterlife. His life turns upside down after Rukia, a member of a mysterious soul society, runs into his house and starts fighting a hollow, an evil spirit that preys on humans that have some kind of psychic ability. Rukia decides to lend some of her powers to Ichigo but to her surprise Ichigo drains every last drop of her powers. Ichigo, with the full power of a soul reaper, then fights the hollow and .... **you**

***will have to read on to find out!***

***Bleach is an all-time classic and one of my favourite Manga books. It is good if you like action and comedy, and I really recommend it as there is a very engaging story with lots of action packed moments that had me on the edge of my seat, and some comedic moments that had me laughing out loud! It's a really amazing Manga that I really recommend!***

Suitable for 14+

## National Reading Champions Quiz 2024 & Hobarts Book Quiz

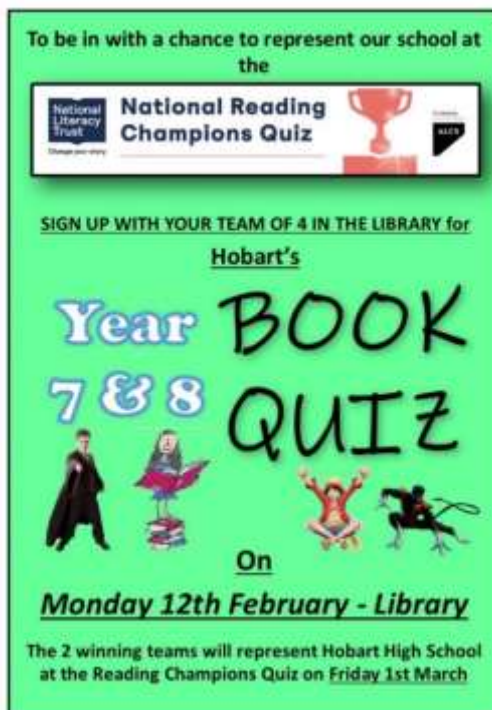
The NRCQ, generously supported by ALCS, provides a fantastic opportunity for students to enjoy a book quiz with their peers and compete with other schools in their region. The heats for our region are on Friday 1 March at Northgate High School in Dereham. Winning teams from each of the 22 regions will go forward to a star-studded, national final on Wednesday 5 June 2024 held in central London, where one team will be crowned National Reading Champions 2024.

Friday 26 January 2024

Follow me on Twitter: @Hobart\_Head

For us to choose the 2 teams that will compete in this regional heat we are holding our own Book Quiz for Years 7 and 8 on **Monday 12 February**.

To be in with a chance of attending the National Reading Champions Quiz students must sign up a team of four by **Monday 5 February**.



To be in with a chance to represent our school at the

**National Reading Champions Quiz**

SIGN UP WITH YOUR TEAM OF 4 IN THE LIBRARY for

**Hobart's**

**Year 7 & 8 BOOK QUIZ**

On

**Monday 12th February - Library**

The 2 winning teams will represent Hobart High School at the Reading Champions Quiz on Friday 1st March



National Literacy Trust

Change your story

**National Reading Champions Quiz**

Can you answer any of these questions? Then sign up to your Reading Champions team and take part in the fun and exciting National Reading Champions Quiz 2024.

There are many prizes to be won and your team could win the regional quiz and go on to compete in the national final in London.

Good luck!

Contact your class teacher or school librarian for more details.  
[nlc.org.uk/reading-champions](https://www.nlc.org.uk/reading-champions)

In the 500th year book *Skandar and the Unicorn Thief*, what is the name of the sinister spirit tree?

Three of these titles are by Charlie Higson: *The Fear*, *The Martyr*, *The Dead*, *The Hunted*. Which is the odd one out?

Who is the 10-year-old "accidental detective" in Sarina Patel's series of books?

## Parent/Carer Voice – Thanks for the Feedback

A big thank you to those who gave up time on Wednesday evening to attend and contribute to parent/carers voice. It was very useful to gain feedback on some of the online learning platforms we provide for our students, the amount and regularity of homework setting, and possible community projects.

## Beauty and the Beast – Tickets on Sale

You can now purchase your tickets for Beauty & the Beast at the following link - <https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/hobarthighschool>

Friday 26 January 2024

Follow me on Twitter: @Hobart\_Head

## Excelsior Awards 2024

This year we are taking part in this special book award for **graphic novels and Manga**. The overall goal of this scheme is to encourage reading for pleasure amongst children and teenagers. This storytelling medium has been a largely underused resource within education for many years. The Excelsior Award attempts to highlight some of the amazing books that are published every year, just crying out to be put in our school libraries!



The basic premise is that all the participating schools will encourage students to read the shortlisted books and then fill out the very straightforward Rating Form. This allows the student to rate and review the book by giving it marks out of five, according to Story, Artwork, Characters and Dialogue, over a 9-10 week period. The winning titles are announced at a special awards ceremony in June. Here are the shortlisted titles below. The Red Awards are aimed at 14+ and the Blue Awards are for 11 +.

Find these titles in the Library, get reading and help choose the winners. **For every Excelsior Award book that is borrowed, students will receive a free bookmark!**



excelsior award  
RED  
Shortlist 2024

GRIM  
ASHERIDG  
STEEL

For further details, ask your Librarian  
or visit [www.excelsioraward.co.uk](http://www.excelsioraward.co.uk)



excelsior award  
BLUE  
Shortlist 2024

DANGER  
BATMAN  
VERN

For further details, ask your Librarian  
or visit [www.excelsioraward.co.uk](http://www.excelsioraward.co.uk)

Friday 26 January 2024

Follow me on Twitter: @Hobart\_Head

## Netball Latest

Year 9 continued their netball fixtures (and their fantastic run of results) this week with a game against Sir John Leman. Some brilliant movement across court coupled with great defensive work saw Hobart win 17-12!

- ✓ Opposition's player of the match - Ava Cawston for a brilliant game and fearless playing across different positions.
- ✓ Miss Upson's player of the match - Libby Hoadley for a great defensive effort.
- ✓ Miss Vickers' player of the match - Faith Wakefield for solid foot work and fantastic interceptions.



## Uniform - Important Reminders

Thank you for your continued support with school uniform. A reminder of the following expectations – we would appreciate your input where required:

- False nails and varnished nails should not be 'worn' to school
- The only jewellery permitted is one ring and plain ear studs. We have noticed a gradual increase for a minority of students wearing hooped earrings and nose studs.
- Plain black shoes should be worn as footwear.

A reminder that jewellery worn by students will be confiscated when seen by staff.

## Year 9 Vaccinations Reminder - Diphtheria, Tetanus, Polio (DTP) and Meningococcal ACWY (MenACWY)

Year 9 families should have received a letter this week regarding the latest round of vaccinations. The immunisation team will be in school on Thursday 8 February. Please click on this [link](#) to complete the immunisation form if you have not done so already.

Kind regards and have an enjoyable weekend.

**Ross Li-Rocchi**  
Head of School