

Date 23rd July 2024

# WELCOME FROM HEADTEACHER

**IN THIS ISSUE** 

Dear School Community,

As we come to the end of another academic year, I feel this is a great opportunity to celebrate some of our achievements. Over the course of the academic year, we have made excellent progress with many of our strategic aims. We are seeing the impact of the development of the curriculum with pupils making good progress, particularly with literacy and numeracy. We have had lots of positive feedback from pupils, and other parents 1 carers. professionals, on the positive impact this is having on our pupils, and I look forward to seeing this develop further next year.

Thank you to all of you who have offered your thoughts in the parent / carer surveys over the year. I was overwhelmed at so much positive feedback. Your feedback has been invaluable as we strive to continue to improve.

Last week we held our annual year 11 leavers' assembly, and I would just like to take one last opportunity to wish our year 11's the very best for their future endeavours. I am already looking forward to hearing about how well they are doing and how successful they are becoming.

I look forward to welcoming the new Year 7's on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September, and all pupils return on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2024.



Mr P Delamaine - Headteacher



We say goodbye and send best wishes for the future to:

We welcome new staff to Hailey Hall School

Sherrie Riggans

Sandra Scott

QR CODE TO ACCESS CURRICULUM INFORMATION ON THE WEBSITE

Parents / Carers can quickly access curriculum information on the school website by scanning the QR code below. This will take you to the home page of our website. Next click on the 3 bars and select 'What my child is learning' and the subject of your choice.

Alternatively, you can click on the 'Curriculum' tab and looking under the drop-down listing for KS3 subjects: Years 7 to 9, and KS4: subjects: Years 10 to 11.



### PRICE INCREASE FOR SCHOOL DINNERS FROM 1ST SEPTEMBER 2024

Due to rising costs in food prices, fuel (transportation) and utility bills, we are having to raise the cost of school dinners. With effect from 2nd September 2024, the school meal will increase from £2.90 to £3.00 per meal. A letter has been sent out to all parents / carers informing them of this increase.

Parents who pay for school meals must pay on a weekly basis. We accept cash, cheque and online payments.

This change will not affect those who are entitled to free school meals. If you are unsure about your eligibility for free school meals, please speak to the school office on 01992 465208 or email confidentially on reception@haileyhall.herts.sch.uk

### SCHOOL UNIFORM PRICE INCREASE

Due to a price increase from our supplier the cost of our school ties (tie & clip on) has increased from £5.50 to £6.00 each.

If you need school uniform, please email the school office on reception@haileyhall.herts.sch.uk with your requirements and we will get back to you.

We now have a small selection of second-hand blazers and trousers, available for a small donation to the school.

Uniform payments are accepted in cash, cheque and online payments.

## LEARNING REVIEW EVENING 23rd APRIL 2024

Thank you to those who were able to attend our Learning Review Evening. It was lovely to speak to you in person. Your evaluation comments were very positive of the school and its communication on Learning Review evening.

The school have been looking at parents' suggestions on improving the event but overall the consensus was that it was a useful and positive evening.

## PUPILS' ARTWORK ON

Art is a fantastic way to express creativeness. Some of our pupils' exceptional creative artwork is on display in our Art Room.

Here is a sample of some pieces of art created in school.



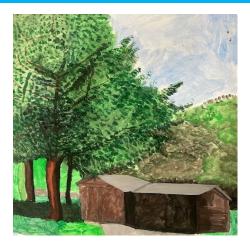












YEAR 7 & YEAR 10 – BAYFORD OBSERVATORY TRIP 11<sup>th</sup> & 13th JUNE 2024



Year 7's and Year 10's both spent the morning at Bayford observatory to look at the facilities, have a chat with the astrophysicists and look at the variety of telescopes they use to observe our universe.

Both groups had a great time and were asking amazing questions to further their understanding.

All pupils who attended are now looking forward to learning more about space and the universe around us.

Mr S O'Sullivan.

## **CONQUEROR CHALLENGE**

This last half of the summer term, Hailey Hall has joined the Conqueror Challenge. As a school, we are endeavoring to virtually walk from Lands' End to John O'Groats.

We have a dedicated path around the school grounds for this walk. Every 2 ½ laps on the path equals a mile. The total distance for this virtual walk is 1,744.2 km or if you prefer miles, around 874 miles.

This virtual challenge is a nice way to get the pupils outside and off computer games into fresh air. This challenge not only helps pupils and staff to stay fit, but also helps with their mental wellbeing. This can also help increase stamina or train for an event. On top of that, at each 20% stage of the journey achieved, the folks at Conqueror Challenge will plant a tree.

Finally, when the challenge is achieved, the school will receive a medal. Happy summer and happy Conqueror Challenge.

Ms Ann Adams



#### YEAR 7 - PIZZA EXPRESS -WGC visit 18th JUNE 2024

Gatsby Benchmark 5 (Encounters with employers and employees) Gatsby Benchmark 6 (Experiences of workplaces)



# Exploring Work Opportunities and Company History

On Tuesday 18th June 2024, our Year 7 pupils enjoyed an educational visit to Pizza Express in Welwyn Garden City (WGC).

The trip provided an engaging insight into the history of the company, the art of pizza making, and the various career opportunities within the hospitality industry.

Highlights of the Visit:

# Company History and Pizza Evolution:

**Founding Story**: Pupils learned about the origins of Pizza Express, founded in 1965 by Peter Boizot. They discovered how his love for Italian cuisine led him to introduce authentic Italian pizza to the UK.

**Growth and Expansion**: The session covered the expansion of Pizza Express from its first restaurant in London's Soho to becoming an international chain. Pupils were intrigued by the company's journey and its commitment to maintaining quality and tradition.

## The Art of Pizza Making:







**Dough Preparation:** Chefs demonstrated the process of preparing the pizza dough, highlighting the importance of using fresh ingredients.

**Toppings and Baking:** Pupils observed the selection of fresh toppings and the techniques used to assemble and bake the pizzas in traditional ovens. They even got a chance to try their hand at making their own pizzas.

## **Tasting Session:**

After the pizzas were baked, pupils enjoyed a tasting session, savoring the delicious results of their efforts.







# Career Opportunities in Hospitality:

**Roles in a Restaurant:** The visit included an overview of the various roles within a Pizza Express restaurant, from chefs and kitchen staff to waiters and managers.

**Skills and Training:** Staff members discussed the skills required for different positions and the training programs available to employees. They emphasized the importance of teamwork, customer service, and culinary skills.

**Career Progression:** Information was provided on career

progression within Pizza Express, illustrating how entry-level positions can lead to management roles and opportunities in the broader hospitality industry.

The visit to Pizza Express WGC was not only educational but also fun and interactive, providing Year 7 pupils with a deeper understanding of the culinary world and the diverse career opportunities it offers. This experience highlighted the importance of teamwork, creativity, and passion in the hospitality industry, inspiring some pupils to consider future careers in this dynamic field.

The pupils engaged with the trip and behaved well and enjoyed their pizzas My thanks to Jack, Emma, Sean and Louise for their support on the day.

Peter Gregory, Careers Lead, Hailey Hall School.

## YEAR 8 PUPILS VISIT HERTFORD FIRE STATION 20th JUNE 2024

## Exploring Firefighting Equipment and Career Pathways:

On Thursday 20th June 2024 our Year 8 pupils had the exciting opportunity to visit Hertford Fire Station. This educational trip aimed to provide insights into the daily operations of a fire station, the equipment used by firefighters, and the various career pathways within the fire service.

## Highlights of the Visit:

Understanding the Fire Tender:

#### **Equipment Demonstration:**

Pupils were introduced to the fire tender, an essential vehicle in firefighting operations. They observed the various tools and equipment stored in the tender, including hoses, ladders, and rescue gear.

#### Live Demonstration:

Firefighters conducted live demonstrations, showcasing how they use different equipment during emergencies. This included a display of the powerful water hoses and the hydraulic rescue tools used in car accidents.



Career Pathways in the Fire Service:

### **Roles and Responsibilities:**

Firefighters discussed the diverse roles within the fire service, from frontline firefighting to fire safety education and fire investigation.

## **Training and Qualifications:**

Pupils learned about the rigorous training process and qualifications required to become a firefighter. The session highlighted the importance of physical fitness, teamwork, and continuous professional development.

## **Career Opportunities:**

Information was provided on various career opportunities, including roles in community fire safety, technical rescue, and leadership positions within the fire service. Special thanks to Firefighter Kim who gave an inspirational talk on her pathway from being a troubled teenager who dropped out of school because of being diagnosed with ADHD, Chef, Working for the USA Airforce to a Hertfordshire Firefighter.





#### Fire Safety Education:

**Home Safety Tips:** Firefighters emphasized the importance of fire safety at home. Pupils were given practical tips on preventing fires, such as ensuring smoke alarms are functional and having an escape plan.

**Emergency Procedures:** The importance of knowing emergency procedures, such as the "Stop, Drop, and Roll" technique, was reiterated to ensure pupils know how to react in case of a fire.

### Interactive Experience:

**Q&A Session:** The visit included a Q&A session where pupils could ask firefighters about their experiences and challenges faced in their line of duty.



Hands-On Activities: Some pupils had the chance to try on firefighting gear, giving them a feel for the weight and mobility constraints faced by firefighters.

The visit to Hertford Fire Station was an enlightening experience for the Year 8 pupils, providing them with a greater appreciation of the skills and dedication required in the fire service. It also inspired some pupils to consider a future career in firefighting or related fields. This trip not only enhanced their understanding of fire safety but also encouraged them to think about their future career aspirations.

The pupils engaged with the trip and behaved well and enjoyed using the fire hoses.

My thanks to Jack, Emma and Sean and Coral from SFYP for support on the day.

Peter Gregory, Careers Lead, Hailey Hall School

# FIRE HOME SAFETY VISITS



Hertford Fire Service is actively engaged in promoting FREE Home Fire safety visits and if anyone would like a visit, please feel free to contact the phone number on the attached flyer.

## HAILEY HALL KITCHEN GARDEN PROJECT

Through a huge collaborative effort in December 2023, we held a Christmas fair to raise funds for the Kitchen Garden Project. This enabled us to purchase 2 greenhouses, tools, and other garden necessities to get this project off to a great start. This is work in progress, as we got one of the greenhouses built during February half-term. Since then, both staff and pupils have been actively involved, by planting seeds, repotting the growing seedlings, building different plant containers, building composting stations, and trying different methods of growing styles to see which one is best for our plants/pupils. The pupils have been doing this work on their own free time.

We have worked to make the area more eye-catching by decorating and recycling pots/food containers, recycling wooden pallets to make colorful bunting and other containers. Moving forward, we have lots of plans and lots to learn. We hope to get as many pupils involved as possible in this endeavor.

Shelley Long Food Technology Teacher







# HAILEY HALL SCHOOL CAMP OUT 28th JUNE 2023



On Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June some pupils camped out overnight on school grounds. We worked as a team and some prepared food and snacks for the evening while others gathered wood. Then pupils had to set up their own tent. We were helping them learn independence and teamwork as well as experiencing new skills.

They enjoyed a game of football before visiting Hertford for a Historical Hertford history tour. We wanted to teach them a bit about local history, as well as national history e.g. that during the Plague, Parliament was moved from London to Hertford, so was the seat of government for a short time.

Once back at our school grounds camp site, they played more football as the BBQ was cooking. It was a real pleasure to see them all having such a good time on the field and enjoying themselves.

Once we tidied up after dinner we had a movie until bedtime. On Saturday morning we had waffles and bacon, packed up the tents and went home for some welldeserved rest. It was a great experience for the adults as well.

## YEAR 10 WORK EXPERIENCE WEEK 1<sup>ST</sup> – 5<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2024

<u>Gatsby Benchmark 5 -</u> <u>Encounters with employers and</u> <u>employees</u> <u>Gatsby Benchmark 6 – Work</u> <u>Experience</u>



Our Year 10 pupils engaged in a work experience program from 1st - 5th July 2024. This initiative aimed to provide our pupils with invaluable insights into the working world, helping them develop crucial skills for their future careers.

During this week, pupils had the opportunity to spend time in various professional environments, observing and participating in the day-to-day activities of their chosen fields. This experience is designed to complement their academic learning and give them a taste of real-world work scenarios. School staff visited everyone to encourage them on their work experience journey

## Placement Locations

Our pupils had secured placements in a diverse range of industries, including:

- **Construction** Takeley Construction
- Uniform Services, Hertfordshire Constabulary -Hertfordshire Police.
- Motor Mechanics TMH Commercial Vehicles
- Garden Maintenance -RB Fencing
- Catering The Cross Street Centre, Café
- Animal care Harlow Petting Zoo
- **Community –** St Albans Central Library
- **Retail –** Mistdale Dry Cleaners
- Motor sales/ Human Resources – Stephen James (BMW/Mini)
- **Community** Mudlarks allotments
- Various pupils working in School kitchen, Site staff and TA support in classes.

# **Developing Soft Skills**

One of the primary objectives of the work experience week is to help pupils develop essential soft skills that are highly valued in any career path. These skills include:

- Communication
- Teamwork
- Problem-Solving
- Time Management
- Adaptability

## Pupils Expectations

We encourage all pupils to make the most of this opportunity by:

- Being Punctual
- Showing Enthusiasm
- Being Respectful:
  Demonstrating
  professionalism and
  courtesy towards all staff

Pupils had a post work experience workshop from Vivianne from Job Centre Plus (Gov uk, Works and Pensions Unit) in reflection sessions where experiences and skills developed were shared. This was a great opportunity for them to:

- Reflect on their learnings and how these relate to their future aspirations.
- Receive and act upon feedback from their supervisors.
- Update their resumes with their newly acquired skills and experiences.
- To complete Logbook / diary of their week and this will go towards their Employability course work in Year 11

We would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to all the businesses and organizations that have partnered with us to provide these invaluable experiences for our pupils. Your support and commitment to education are appreciated.

This is a rewarding and enriching experience for all our pupils. Certificates were presented to all pupils for their efforts and letters and certificates of thanks sent to all partners.

Peter Gregory Careers Lead, Hailey Hall

## YEAR 10 - POST WORK EXPERIENCE WEEK -WORKSHOP - JOB CENTRE PLUS 10<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2024



Vivianne visited Hailey Hall School to speak to our Yr. 10 pupils who engaged in "Work Experience "last week.

Her aim was to provide Year 10 pupils with valuable insights and practical skills to help them navigate their future career paths confidently. Vivianne's expertise from Job Centre Plus was instrumental in guiding pupils through this critical phase of their education and career planning.

# **Workshop Objectives**

## **Reflection on Work Experience:**

Discuss pupils' recent work experience placements. Encourage sharing of different experiences and roles.

## **Skills and Competencies:**

Identify and articulate the skills and competencies gained. Discuss the importance of transferable skills in various job roles.

## **Career Planning:**

Provide guidance on planning future careers. Highlight the importance of continuous learning and development.

## Job Market Insights:

Offer insights into the current job market. Discuss emerging job sectors and future job trends.

## **CV and Interview Preparation:**

Tips for creating effective CVs and cover letters.

Conduct mock interviews to build confidence and improve interview skills. This will be done later in year with pupils and support from JCP.

### **Q&A Session:**

Open floor for pupils to ask questions about their work experience, career paths, and job market.

Vivianne has become a regular visitor to Hailey Hall school, and I have booked multiple sessions for next academic year for all year groups on all aspects of career and employment pathways



Peter Gregory Hailey Hall School, c Lead

### ATTENDANCE CELEBRATION BREAKFAST 19<sup>th</sup> JULY 2024

7A were awarded with best attendance and 10B were awarded with most improved attendance. Pupils were treated by staff to a cooked breakfast full of tasty treats.







Thanks to all staff who made lovely food for breakfast time today.

# REWARDS TRIPS - MONDAY 23rd JULY 2024

## REWARDS TRIP – ON SCHOOL SITE

What a lovely day we had on-site today, Monday 22nd July. and a fantastic way to celebrate the end the school year!

We started the day with inflatables Hungry Hippos and Gladiator Fights where all pupils committed, especially those battling the Staff using it to take out their frustrations after working hard all year!!

After we moved onto a Nerf Battle, with all pupils engaging really well, again especially those trying to hit staff - we started to see the theme of attacking staff at this point, however, some staff did manage to get their own back once or twice.



After that it was time for the Scavenger Hunt, organised by Ann Adams, taking pupils all over the school site to find the prize! It was a fantastic effort from all pupils!

Our Netflix Rewards Trip also had a lovely day, watching Disney Classic Up and watching Tom Cruise at his finest in Maverick, defying the laws of science and gravity in equal measure!







## REWARDS TRIP – OTG IN BASSINGBOURN

On Monday, 22<sup>nd</sup> July we took 18 pupils to OTG in Bassingbourn as part of the Summer Term rewards trips.

Pupils were given a chance to try 36 different obstacles, 8 of which contained water. Pupils worked together in teams to complete certain obstacles as well as attempting to try others independently. Some favourites included Ninja Boards, Slip and Slide and Monkey Bars.

We returned to School with an hour to spare so pupils enjoyed the onsite inflatables and Netflix club! Lots of fun was had by pupils and staff!









# REWARDS TRIP – AQUA PARK LAKESIDE

Today we visited Aqua Park Lakeside, where the pupils and staff did not let the weather get the best of them!

Together they faced giant slides, sent each other into orbit on the air bags and faced the "Mammoth drop", by the end of the day everyone had faced the "Mammoth".

Together the boys encouraged each other to face their fears and give the obstacles a go! There was a great team spirit throughout the day and all the boys should be proud of how they represented the school.



# **ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS**

Congratulations to those pupils who have won awards this Summer Term.

Achievement Awards		
Summer Term 2024		
Subject	Nomination	
HEAD TEACHER	Alfie	
AWARD		
DEPUTY HEAD	Rhys	
TEACHER		
AWARD		
PLATINUM	Michael	
AWARD		
ART	KS3 Alfie	
	KS4 Tyrell	
EMPLOYABILITY	KS4 Bradley	
ENGLISH	KS3 Kaeden	
	KS4 Harvey	
FOOD	KS3 Bailey	
TECHNOLOGY	KS4 Archie	
HUMANITIES	KS3 Jack	
ICT	KS3 Joshua	
	KS4 Ethan	
PSCHE	KS3 Ryan	
MATHS	KS3 Rhys	
	KS4 Max	
MUSIC	KS3 Owen	
	KS4 Ashley	
PE	KS3 James	
	KS4 Harvey	
DT	KS3 Alfie	
	KS4 Jamie	

SCIENCE	KS3 Samuel
	KS4 Bobby
1:1	Luke
INTERVENTION	

Congratulations goes to the pupils below who received attendance awards this term.

Attendance Award Summer Term 2024		
Year 7	Year 8	
Alfie / Ethan /	Harry	
Alfie / Bailey		
Year 9	Year 10	
Michael / Archie / Daniel	Ashley / Louis	
Most improved		
Joshua		

## SUMMER WATER SAFETY REMINDER

A reminder to all pupils during the summer break please be safe near the water and only take part in organised activities.

As most of you are aware, we have no idea what is on the bottom of the rivers and lakes we live nearby.

Look online for the website <u>www.rlss.org.uk</u> and read their Summer Water Safety guide.

## SUMMER HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES

ROCK AROUND THE CLOCKTOWER – HODDESDON 18<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 2024 – 11AM – 7.30PM

The Hoddesdon Allstars in conjunction with Love Hoddesdon are proud to announce the return of Rock around the Clocktower 2024! Featuring 10 Live acts in front of the iconic Hoddesdon Clocktower. Line up TBC!

All proceeds raised by the Allstars will go to the Great Ormond Street Hospital for children's charity. With Raffles and food stalls, funfair rides, face painting and much more.

This is a FREE family fun day out.



August 2024 Recurs weekly on Tuesday.

Location: Cedars Park Cedars Park Lodge Theobalds Lane, Cheshunt EN8 8RU

## Cost: FREE

Time: 14:30 - 16:30

## ATTENDANCE



School success starts with attendance

If your child is going to be absent from school for any reason, then contact the school office on 01992 465208 or email

reception@haileyhall.herts.sch.uk on the first day's absence and every morning thereafter.

## LARK IN THE PARK – CEDARS PARK

A free summer parks programme which takes place in a variety of parks across Broxbourne during the summer holidays.

The sessions offer a large range of activities including water fights, laser tag, nerf wars, archery, American football, dodgeball, basketball, rounders, football, volleyball, tennis and a mixture of traditional games.

For ages 5-16 years.

Date: 23rd July 2024 - 27th

# **DIARY DATES**



## AUTUMN TERM 2024

Monday 2nd Sept - INSET DAY

Tuesday 3rd Sept - Year 7 Only

Wednesday 4th Sept - All pupils return

Mon 21st Oct – 1<sup>st</sup> Nov - Half Term

Monday 4th Nov - All pupils return

Fri 20th Dec - End of Term, 1pm Finish

Mon 23<sup>rd</sup> Dec - Fri 3rd Jan 2025 Christmas Break

#### **SPRING TERM 2025**

Mon 6th Jan - All pupils return

Mon 17th – 21st Feb - Half Term

Mon 24th Feb - All pupils return

Fri 4th April - End of Term, 1pm Finish

Fri 7th April - Mon 21st Apr - Easter Break

#### SUMMER TERM 2025

Tues 22nd April - All pupils return

Mon 5th May - Bank Holiday

Mon 26th May - Fri 30th May - Half Term

Monday 2nd June - All pupils return

Wed 23rd July – End of Term 1pm finish

#### LOST PROPERTY

If clothing is clearly named it will be returned to the owner. Please make sure that your child's name is on every item of clothing. Any clothing left in lost property at the end of each term will be disposed of.

## **CONTACT INFORMATION**

Please make sure we have up to date emergency contact information for you.

If your phone number, email address or home address has changed please phone school reception or email as soon as possible.

## **School Reception:**

Phone: 01992 465208

Email: reception@haileyhall.herts.sch.uk

## SAVE THE DATE 29<sup>TH</sup> NOV 2024 HAILEY HALL'S CHRISTMAS FAIR

Save the date for our school's Christmas Fair 29<sup>th</sup> November 2024. There will be tea, coffee, cakes and stalls with Christmas gift ideas!





We wish you a safe and happy summer break, from all the staff at Hailey Hall School.