



MFL day for Year 4

Hadleigh Times


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Headlines

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Sports Day 2017

On Thursday this week we held our annual sports day. Athletes participated in the preliminary events and track events spurred on by the cheers and support of their house peers and staff.

This event is always highly popular and enjoyed by our school community. All pupils have the opportunity to contribute and many face the challenges to ensure they gain points for their team.

Sports day is important for a variety of reasons:

- it is a key whole school community activity
- all children are encouraged to support their house
- teamwork is a key skill required in many of the challenges

- every race counts and every contribution by every student adds points to the team total
- pupils rise to the challenges available and seek to give their best

This enables many students to compete and contribute towards their team outcomes and results in healthy competition.

The events included: track events and relays, shot put, discus, javelin, long jump, triple jump, high jump, inter-house games such as Year 7 Rounders, Year 8 Tug of War, Year 9 Softball and Year 10 Volleyball.

Staff also participated culminating in a hotly contested relay.

The points from Sports Day are added to the House Points accumulated over the year and

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on Friday, during our whole school assembly, the winner of the House Cup 2016-17 will be revealed.

Front of school parking

Please be aware that many of our pupils catch a school bus to and from the academy. As such, it is important that cars are not parked on the bus turning circle at the start and end of the school day as this causes a great deal of congestion.

Please also note that the school car park cannot accommodate

parents' cars for picking up and dropping off pupils as the limited space available is for pupils who require support in entering and exiting the school. Your support with this matter is much appreciated. I would also like to encourage parents/carers not to park on double yellow lines when waiting for their children and be courteous when parking outside our neighbouring properties. Thank you.

Cloakrooms and Lockers

A reminder to students to remove their belongings from the cloakrooms and to take home **ALL** the contents in their lockers by the end of term, **Friday 21st July 2017**.

Congratulations to:



Oliver Graham (ex-Year 11) recently represented Suffolk in the English Schools' Championships Inter Boys Hammer event held in Birmingham, performed his personal best of 53.09 metres. This was a tough competition of 18 throwers throughout the country, but made it through to the top 8 throwers in the final. This puts him in number one position for England Midlands squad for the UK and Ireland National Championships taking place at the end of August at Loughborough University. We wish him well in the future.



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Sexting

According to a NSPCC/Childline poll, 6 out of 10 teenagers say they have been asked for sexual images or videos. 'Sexting' is the term used to describe the sending or receiving of sexually explicit images, videos or texts.

When children engage in sexting they're creating an indecent image of a person under the age of 18 which, even if they take it themselves, is against the law. Distributing an indecent image of a child – e.g. sending it via text – is also illegal. It's very unlikely that a child would be prosecuted for a first offence, but the police might want to investigate.

Follow this link to access more info on sexting? buff.ly/2t9LoAD

MFL day for Year 4



We were delighted to welcome Year 4 from our feeder primaries on 28th June. We had 140 students from HCSP, St Mary's Bildeston, Hintlesham, Whatfield, Elmsett and Kersey. The students participated in a French themed day which included lessons in French,

History, Textiles, Food Tech and Music.

Instrumental and Vocal lessons for September 2017

A letter went out via ParentMail this week regarding instrumental and vocal lessons. If you are interested in your child receiving these lessons next term, please let me know by the end of this term email abetts@hadleighhigh.net

The lessons we offer are:
Piano, Guitar, Bass, Violin, Viola Cello, Flute, Clarinet, Saxophone, Drum Kit and Singing.

Homework Club

Please note there will be **NO** Homework Club week beginning 17th July 2017.

Letters recently sent out:

All Years – New Lesson Length for 2017-2018
All Years – Instrumental and Vocal lessons 2017-2018
Year 9 – Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme
Year 10 - Duke of Edinburgh Avenue Bronze
Year 10 – Duke of Edinburgh Silver (from September 2017)

School Uniform Supplier Coes of Ipswich

Please be advised that Coes of Ipswich are now stocking our School uniform. Click here for their website www.coes.co.uk. We are happy to confirm that we are only changing the supplier of the uniform and amending the PE kit, **not changing** the School day uniform.

Please be assured that any change in uniform are always undertaken in consultation with stakeholders and, any such changes would have a lengthy phase-in period and plenty of notice. Governors have said that any change will take two years to become uniform so if you have PE kit that you wish to pass down to younger children they can continue to wear it until September 2019.

Food Technology

Congratulations to our '**Star Bakers**'



Year 7

Aine Kavanagh (7O) and
Olivia Wilkins (7G)

Year 8

Alex Norman (8O)

School Lunch Menus

Our School Menus can be accessed via the catering company, Vertas, who provides our school catering. Click here to open the link
www.vertas.co.uk/catering/Vive.

This list all the weeks' menus and the dates they are available. New menus will be available from September 2017.

Forthcoming Calendar Dates

- 14th July** - ***Back-up Sports Day***
- 14th July** - ***Year 11 Prom – held at Wherstead Park, Ipswich 7:00pm/11:00pm***
- 15th July** - ***Music pupils from HHS performing at Bildeston Primary School Fete – 1:30pm/2;30pm***
- 18th /19th July** - ***Duke of Edinburgh Year 10 Avenue expedition***
- 20th July** - ***Year 7 Disco – 6:00pm/8:00pm***
- 21st July** - ***END OF TERM***
- 24th August** - ***Year 11 GCSE Exam results – 10:00am/12noon***
- 25th August** - ***School Open for Y11 Parents/Students re: exam results 10am/12pm***
- 5th September** - ***PUPILS BACK TO SCHOOL (BLUE WEEK)***



Hadleigh High School

July 2017

Dear Parent/Carer,

New Lesson Length for 2017-18

When I joined Hadleigh High School as Headteacher in 2010 the school was moving into 100 minute lessons. This change had been implemented to allow deeper learning for our pupils. It was a new initiative and one which appeared to address the learning needs of the school community at that time.

As time has progressed, and the curriculum demands have changed we have noted that there have been some restrictions with the 100 minute lesson model, mainly linked to the frequency with which pupils are taught certain subjects. In addition, parents have also raised concerns regarding the length of some lessons and the impact they feel that this has on their child's learning. As a result, I asked Mr. Miller (Deputy Headteacher – Curriculum) to undertake some research with stakeholders - particularly pupils - regarding the 100 minute lesson model and other alternatives. We feel it is important to review our practice on a regular basis and respond to stakeholder views. The findings were very interesting.

On the whole, a significant number of our learners favoured a shorter session, although they did appreciate having enough time for practical subjects. 75 minutes appeared to be the preferred length of time as other options were felt to be too short a time by pupils. In addition, staff have also provided feedback and this indicated that a 75 minute model would suit their learners.

As a result we would like to change the timing of lessons within the school day. The school will start and end at exactly the same time as currently. However, children would now have 4 rather than 3 lessons on each day. The day would be structured as below:

8.25 Bell will ring to warn pupils to move to registration form rooms

8.30	to	8.50	Registration/Assembly
8.50	to	10.05	Period 1
10.05	to	10.25	Break
10.25	to	11.40	Period 2
11.40	to	12.55	Period 3
12.55	to	1.35	Lunch
1.35	to	2.50	Period 4

2.50 School closes

It is felt, from what parents have said, pupils have shared and staff has agreed that this model would enhance the learning opportunities for our pupils. Both staff and students favoured a form period at the start of the day as this allows them to receive updates and get organised for the day.

The pupils have identified the times when they would favour having their breaks during the day. Students favoured morning break at 10.05 as this would give them time to have a snack before lunchtime. Governors have agreed with the shorter sessions as they feel it addresses the issues raised by parents, pupils and staff. If you have any further queries please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Miller (miller@hadleighhigh.net) or myself at the school. Thank you to all stakeholders for their valued contributions.

Yours sincerely

Caroline Gibson
Headteacher

Lighthouse

Lighthouse Women's Aid is affiliated to Women's Aid Federation England Registered Charity Number: 1069296 Registered Company Number: 3532428

FESTIVAL FUN

Thursday, 24th AUGUST 2017 12-3pm
For Young Women Aged 13-24 years
Free event!

Come along and experience...

Nail Artistry

Refreshments

Music Motivation

Bracelet Making

Expect Respect

Keeping Safe

Henna Tattoos

Sexual Health

And Much More!

Lighthouse Community Women's Centre
37 Berners Street
Ipswich
IP13LN
01473 228270

Subject to Availability

All women under 16 years to please bring a female adult with them to this event.

