



Weekly Update

CORE VALUE:
TRUST

CALENDAR 2023-2024

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5TH JULY 2024

JULY

- 8th Y8 London Trip 1
- 9th Y7 Taster Day 1 @ KOW
- 9th London Trip 1
- 9th Y6 Sports Day
- 10th Y8 London Trip 2
- 10th Y7 Taster Day 2 @ KOW
- 10th Rags2 Riches Collection
- 11th Y8 London Trip 2
- 12th KS3 Sports Day
- 15th Y6 Barton Hall Residential

It has been another really busy five school days with pupil and parent events most of the week and on top of this an election.

Thank you to all those parents and carers who attended the 'meet the tutor' evening on Monday and transported our year 8 pupils to and from Kings on Wednesday for the transition day. The pupils that I have spoken to found the evening and transition day helpful and provided them with point of reference for next year as they begin to process that their last few days at Hugh Sexey are closing in. My colleagues and I know that they are all ready for the step up to a bigger setting and that they will grasp each and every new opportunity, make new friends and work hard to fulfil their potential. Only 12 school days left! However, in that time they will receive their leavers hoody, travel to London, compete in their house sports day, enjoy a celebration assembly and hopefully join us at their leaving party on Monday 22nd July.

Wednesday was also another great day in our school calendar as we welcomed our new cohort of pupils and families, as they begin their official start to their life at Hugh Sexey, whilst our year 5 and year 6 pupils found out who will be their new tutor next year as they sampled a day in year 6 or 7 for the first time. Thank you to all my colleagues who worked hard to ensure that this experience was positive and that our pupils felt confident and happy to move up a year.

Well done to all those pupils who competed in this weeks Swim gala and sports day, the weather was threatening to dampen our pupils enthusiasm but their sheer energy forced the clouds away long enough to see the events through to the finish. I would also like to take this opportunity to publicly thank the PE team and their year 8 sports leaders for the huge amount of work that takes place behind the scenes to make these large scale events happen. Well done and congratulations to our sports leaders for also running the year 3/4 First school multi-skills festival on Tuesday. It is just one more example of what my colleagues do to support and promote pupil transition and increase confidence when the time comes to join us as a pupil. Finally, I hope that our year 7 pupils enjoy their taster days at Kings on Tuesday and Wednesday (pupils will be transported directly from here and collected as normal at the end of the school day) and that our year 8 pupils get some sleep during their action packed London residential.

Have a wonderful weekend. Best wishes

Paul Tatterton

Y8 LONDON TRIP REMINDER

- **TRIP 1** - 8th/9th July - 8CS, 8GS and 8NW
- **TRIP 2** - 10th/11th July—8ZC, 8JA and 8RMK
- ◇ **Arrive at school from 6.45am. We will be leaving promptly at 7am.**
- ◇ Remember packed lunch in rucksack, overnight bag and money to purchase dinner in Covent Garden (day 1) and services (day 2).
- ◇ Any medication must be in a clearly labelled bag (to be given to trip leader).
- ◇ Yr 8 Leavers Hoodies issued today, can be worn on London trips and in school from Wednesday 10th July until the end of term.





YEAR 7 TASTER DAYS

On Tuesday 9th and Wednesday 10th July all Year 7 pupils will be transported to the Kings of Wessex Academy in Cheddar where they will spend time with each of the GCSE subjects over the two days as an insight for when they join us September 2025.

- Pupils will need to bring their own packed lunch unless they are FSM where a lunch will be provided.
- Pupils will not need to bring a PE Kit.
- Pupils are expected to come into school as normal and be registered, they will then be taken by bus to the Kings Academy, they will return to HSMS before the end of the school day.



SOMERSET YOUTH THEATRE—PLAY IN A WEEK

Somerset Youth Theatre cic are running a Summer Holiday workshop "Play-in-a-Week - Food Glorious Food" for ages 6 - 14 at the Princess Theatre & Arts Centre Burnham-on-Sea from 19th - 22nd August 2024.

We offer funded places through SASP's Happy Heathy Holidays Programme (booking live 1st July) [Happy Healthy Holidays Programme - Somerset Activity & Sports Partnership \(sasp.co.uk\)](#) and we have paid places for those who are unable to access the funding (booking live now)

[SYT's Play in a Week - Burnham-on-Sea Summer 2024 \(6 - 14yrs\) at The Princess Theatre & Arts Centre, Burnham-on-Sea | Somerset Youth Theatre cic | Powered by ClassForKids](#)



Somerset Youth Theatre 

Play in a Week

19th - 22nd August
The Princess Theatre
Burnham-on-Sea, TA8 1EH

Food Glorious Food

£85: Week or £25: Day
Healthy lunch & snacks included

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RAGS2RICHES



It's time to clear out your wardrobe and donate any unwanted clothing, shoes, bedding and accessories to our Rags2 Riches collection.

Our next collection is on **Wednesday 10th July 2024**
Please deliver your items in a black bin bag or tied plastic bag to our main reception.

No school uniform please, please donate this to the Pre-Loved stock in reception



DONATE YOUR OLD UNIFORM

If your child is leaving Hugh Sexey Middle School at the end of this term, we would greatly appreciate any donations of uniform or PE kit.

Please leave any donations at our Main Reception.

Many thanks

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UNLOCK CYBER—TASTER DAY at UWE

Eight pupils from Year 8 had a great time at the Unlock Cyber Taster Day at UWE in Bristol. The day included several code breaking challenges and opportunities to learn more about AI and careers in cyber security.



VALUES IN ACTION AT HUGH SEXEY:

This term's value is Trust. On Wednesday, Father Richard joined us and led our collective worship, asking us who we trust and what makes someone trustworthy. It was a timely topic considering UK votes were about to go to the polls to vote in the national election. Today, pupils were treated to a 'Battle of the Bands'. Pupils from Hugh Sexey and KOW wowed pupils to some great musical numbers. Mrs Adair clearly was enjoying the Green Day and Tom Petty numbers. The musicians, all playing together, reminded pupils that trust comes in many forms. For musicians, playing together in bands and ensembles, trust is very important. Trusting others to play their part and being trustworthy yourself to ensure that you don't let other down, is integral in making beautiful music together.



YELLOW CAR GAME..... Parent Plea

We are having an increasing number of incidents from pupils reporting that they are playing the 'yellow car' game, and it appears to be getting out of hand whereby some pupils are tapping each other harder than necessary and resulting in upset. Please can we advise that you ask your children not to engage in this game, it is happening on the school transport and in school, of which we have spoken to them about it.

CLUB CANCELLATIONS

No Digital Leaders on Thursday 11th July (due to the London Trip)

No Singing Club Until September 24

HSMS SUPERSTARS



TRIATHLON

Bethany H in Year 7 has been selected to represent the South West at the Triathlon Inter Regional Championships in September. This is an amazing achievement and will involve going to a training camp ahead of the big race.





HSMS SUPERSTARS - IN SCHOOL

SWIM GALA - YEAR 5 AND 6

The Year 5 Swim Gala was a wonderful event with a large number of pupils taking part. Maddox broke a 23 year old record set by Michael Harris in the 1 length front crawl with a time of 15.05. Harlie broke Katie Radford's record from 2017 in the 2 length breaststroke with a time of 49.30. Saxons finished in 1st place. Followed by Vikings, Normans and Celts. It was great to see so many enjoying the pool and House competitions. Well done all involved and huge thanks to all the sport leaders and teaching staff who helped.

The Year 6 Swim Gala was a truly wonderful event and an absolute pleasure to be a part of. The level of swimming was very high with strong swims from Harrison, Gabrielle and William to name a few. What was really pleasing was the number of swimmers who took part who in the past haven't engaged in school competition or shown confidence in the water. It was so pleasing to see so many enjoying the event. The Vikings finished in first place, followed by Saxons, Normans and Celts.



MULTI SKILLS FESTIVAL

The year eight sports leaders had their final festival today and it was a good one. Every first school brought a combination of year three and fours. After lunch and a quick warm up game of tag the pupils went onto experience a myriad of some of the skills and activities they will experience when they come to Hugh Sexey. Tug of war, parachute games, kicking rounders, football shooting, obstacles, rugby tackling and two leaders even brought their own music in to lead a Zumba class. It is such a good all-round experience for both our pupils and our visitors. The sun was kind and a thoroughly enjoyable time had by all.

I would like to express my heartfelt thanks to our sports leaders- they have been a lovely, inspiring group to work with and I hope they will treasure their memories as they move onwards in their education.



Next Week
in
Picture News

HSMS Values in Action @Home



Wb 8th July 2024

Supermarket chain, Asda, has launched fan zones for elderly people to enjoy the UEFA EURO 2024 football tournament (the Euros). The idea came about as new research found that over 1.9 million individuals over 65 will be watching the matches alone. Many other places, where people choose to watch the football, can be very busy, with standing space only. The Nanzone spaces have been specially developed with older people in mind, ensuring they have somewhere enjoyable to watch the matches with others.

Things to talk about at home ...

- Have you been watching the Euros football competition this year? If so, who have you watched with? Who will you watch with? Do you prefer to watch sport and big events with others?
- Do you think you have to be alone to feel lonely? Is there a time when you have ever felt lonely



Invitational Prayer:

Dear God
Help me connect with others to bring joy and happiness, Help me recognise when others may feel isolated and need my help, Thank you that you always see me and always love me,
Amen

HSMS Christian Value and Virtue next week:

Faith and

Bible Link:

Psalm 34:4

British Value and Protected Characteristic:

Individual Liberty and Age

UN Rights of the Child:

#3 Best Interests of The Child