



Term 4 2016–17

Dear Parents and Carers

Another term has been completed and the Easter break beckons which is very welcome for us all. This term has been a hugely successful one in sport with successful teams in a number of year groups. Special mention here must go to the Y7 B team who won their county football final and to our 1st X1 who were also crowned county champions. Next term will of course bring the start of the exam season for our boys in Y11, 12 and 13. We wish them good luck in that endeavour and will do all we can to support and assist our boys to successfully negotiate this period. Finally, I am currently putting the finishing touches to my speech for our annual Prizegiving ceremony where it will be a pleasure to be able to once again publicly celebrate the fine achievements of so many of our young men.

Mr S Norman

Head Teacher

*A huge vote of thanks to the students and staff who contributed to this edition.
Contributions from all students, past or present, are always welcome as are contributions
from parents and carers.*

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Dates for the next Academic Year 2016 – 17

Term Dates

Term 5	Tuesday 18 April 2017 - Friday 26 May 2017
Term 6	Monday 5 June 2017 - Thursday 20 July 2017

Staff Training Days 2016-17

Friday 21 July 2017 (Twilighted)

Term 4

Upcoming Events

Thursday 20th April: Careers in Construction presentation

Monday 24th April: Year 11 GCSE English Conference

Tuesday 25th April: Year 7 parents evening

Thursday 27th April: Junior Maths Challenge

Tuesday 2nd May: Spring Showcase, 7.30

Wednesday 3rd May: Primary School Instrumental day

Thursday 4th May: Year 9 Teenage Cancer Trust assembly

Friday 5th May: KS3 Disco

Monday 15th May: GCSE & GCE Exams until Thursday 29th June

Wednesday 24th May: Visit from author Stewart Ross to year 8.

Thursday 25th May: Prefects dinner

Staff updates

Mr Rowe will be leaving us, ably replaced as Assistant Head of Discovery House by Mr Wise. Mrs Hutchens will be joining us as Learning Support Manager for Discovery House, replacing Miss Shields.

Year 7 Trip to Boulogne



I had a fun time in Boulogne meeting pen-pals and going to shops. It was awkward talking to my pen-pal since I couldn't understand what they were saying but it was fun! We went shopping, ate lunch on a castle wall, and went to a supermarket. The supermarket was massive and we were allowed to go anywhere in there. I bought an ice-cream and Pringles. I had an enjoyable time.

By Birat A. EJ1



Our trip to Boulogne was an inspirational visit, we did a variety of activities that included going: to a sweet factory, going to see our pen pals, going to a huge French supermarket called Auchan and even going in the classic French town of Boulogne. This trip boosted my confidence on speaking French to French people. It was hard to believe that these people lived only 60 miles away from us even though they speak an initially different language to us.

By Max K. EJ1

Apprenticeships

As a school we are very keen to promote apprenticeships to our students. Many offer excellent training with fantastic career opportunities, without leaving students saddled with debt as they begin their working life. There are several websites providing lots of information which are well worth a look:

<https://www.getingofar.gov.uk/>

<http://www.apprenticekent.com/home>

<http://www.notgoingtouni.co.uk/>

<http://www.bpp.com/apprenticeships>

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<http://www.kent.gov.uk/leisure-and-community/libraries/ebooks-eaudiobooks-and-emagazines>

AS Geography: Coastal Fieldwork

One of the fieldtrips we complete in Year 12 is to the coast to carry out fieldwork that test hypotheses such as 'Pebbles are largest the further they are from the shoreline' or 'coastal management strategies are cost effective at Dymchurch'. The aim of this fieldwork is to prepare students to be able to research and collect data for their own independent investigations. On Tuesday 28th March we travelled along the Shepway coastline from Greatstone through Dymchurch to Sandgate surveying, profiling, measuring and having fun. There are a few photos of us in action below.



Putting Theory into Practice



A' Level Chemistry: Year 13 visit to Pfizer



Yr 13 students really enjoyed their day at Pfizer recently. They had made aspirin in the school labs and were able to have it analysed using the latest multi-million pound computerised analysis machines. Mr Don Clark then helped the lads understand what the data was showing them. It was found that the samples were some of the best seen from our school. Well done lads! The students also got to see scientists working at the pilot plant where laboratory reactions can be scaled up near industrial scale production. This allows the chemists and engineers to check that a reaction will work safely and as expected on an increased scale.

Hello everybody! Mr McNeice here!

I have set myself a challenge. As some might know, I spend a lot of time running community projects, mostly in music. Currently I am involved with **Martello Centre Folkestone** (music sessions for adults with mental and physical disabilities), **Hawkinge Howlers** (a singing group for people with dementia and other members of the community), **Shepway Primary Singers** (a free community choir for Primary aged children), **Shepway Voices** (a free adult community choir), **Shepway Youth Voices** (a free teenage community choir), **Seaside Melody Makers** (a singing group for people over 60), **AgeUK Folkestone** (a group for service users or the AgeUK centre), and **The Generation Link** (an inter-generational project bring children together with the retired population in the community to sing both modern and older songs together and increase social cohesion). The choirs are run in the less affluent areas of town to help those with transport issues to attend community and social activities.

I am very proud to be doing this work. The projects are run by the charity MASC (Music and Arts for the Shepway Community) and Silver Arch Studios Community Projects CIC (the community organisation that I run). I would love to carry on all of this community work for the foreseeable future, and start new projects that will benefit the community. Sadly, as always, things like this need funding.



So..... The challenge.....

I want to find 1000 people to donate £1 per month to help these continue (you may of course donate more, I'll not stop you!). It is a big challenge, so I'm spreading the message far and wide!

This money will go straight to funding the above projects, and any future projects that benefit the community. As a constituted community organisation this money can only be for community use.

If you are interested in supporting these community projects then please email me on amcneice@harveygs.kent.sch.uk and I will give you any further information you might like, and the details of how to donate.

Thank you! Challenge on!

Greenwich Observatory Report

By Sam C.

On Friday 17th March 45 pupils from Year 8 went on a trip to the Royal Observatory in Greenwich in conjunction with the class' most recent space topics. We arrived in Greenwich a little early, which allowed us to have some time watching and feeding the animals in Greenwich Park. Many pupils got to hand feed the pigeons, squirrels and even some birds! We also saw some deer in one of the old royal enclosures, which was really cool.

The time then came to go to the Royal Observatory and to watch a planetarium show within the observatory's dome. The show was awesome! There was lots of information about stars, planets and space travel. We then explored the rest of the planetarium seeing the UK's largest refracting telescope and displays about star constellations, galaxies and the Big Bang theory. Just outside the observatory is the Prime Meridian Line and we enjoyed walking and standing over the meridian line, which separates the East and West hemispheres. We took lots of photos of us standing astride the meridian line and also of the amazing view of the London skyline, where we could see everything from the O2 Arena to The Gherkin!



After lunch, we had a workshop intertwined with a space quiz, which everyone found so much fun. We went through topics including space travel, planets and stars with demonstrations and experiments, which brought the workshop to life!

Sainsburys Active Kids 2017

Once again, The Harvey will be collecting Sainsburys Active Kids vouchers. We would like to ask you to send any vouchers you receive into school, and to encourage your friends and family to do the same! The more vouchers we collect, the more extra equipment we can buy for the students to use in PE.



Year 7 Football Victory

On Friday 24th February, the Yr7B team beat Hayes 3-2 in the Kengate Beasley Trophy at Maidstone United's Gallagher Stadium. Having played some great football to get to the final, the Harvey boys started really well with a goal from Brad W soon after the kick off. They were pegged back close to half time, but this didn't make the boys too despondent, as all could see that we were playing the better football out of the two schools. The second half started as the first had, with an early goal for us. A well-executed corner saw Milo H nod in a great header at the front post. Again we were clawed back by a good goal from Hayes. The game was heading towards the final whistle when a period of heavy Harvey pressure again resulted in a good finish. This time from Jamie S on the volley from the edge of the box. Soon after, the final whistle went &



our boys, their families & all involved with the school could celebrate. A great achievement, given that at the start of the competition 50 schools had entered. A testament to all the hard work & commitment our boys put across the season, with huge signs of progression from all involved.

On the night, photographs were taken by Mr Forsyth. These can be viewed, copied & saved from the Pupils' Shared Area (P:\CAPA\PHE\Photos\Football Finals\U12B final 2017).

The support from all who attended on Friday was greatly appreciated & all concerned with the PE & Sports department would like to say thank you. Our 1stXI face Hayes in their County Cup final at the end of March, so similar support & an identical result would make for a great season.

Peter Firminger Hockey Tournament

Will M, Omar C, Conor R, Andrew S, Ben P, Alex C, Jake P, Finn S,

Tom D, Ben M, Ben T, Callum M, Jack D, Ashis R, Elliott W.



On Friday 3rd March the Year 10 hockey team took part in the Peter Firminger Hockey Tournament. During the morning matches the standard of play was high, but the team played well securing a position for the Plate. As the day progressed and the competition got tougher we stepped up our game, first winning 2-1 against Old Willies, 3-1 against Simon Langton in the Semi-final and 1-1 (penalty flicks 4-2) in the final against Chatham House Grammar. A great day of strategies and teamwork brought home the Plate.



Hockey

Another successful year building on the Elite Performance Squads see the improvements in teams and individuals in hockey. Although we don't see the same success as the football scheme there have been some very noticeable improvements in individual skills and more pupils starting at the Folkestone Optimists.

The 1st XI narrowly missed out in the final of the plate competition to a strong Kent College team losing 1-0. Man of the tournament Ken G really shone amongst a good developing team. He has been a quality member of the FOHC 1st XI alongside Mr Bristow and Mr Gooding.



The younger teams had mixed success against some strong opposition in the league with Simon Langton coming out on top in most cases, winning their respective leagues. The U15 are our strongest year group again but it has to be said the younger students are catching up quickly.

A few more years and hopefully Harvey hockey will be a dominant force in Kent.

Old Boys Hockey

The 1st XI hockey team played a very strongly represented Old Boys team on the 24th of March watched by nearly 50 parents and family on the Three Hills Astro. Tom Bean and Luke Smithard played for the old boys team who have both played national league hockey this season showing the prowess and depth of strength in the squad of ex pupils. The 1st XI team were missing a few players due to unavailability so Mr Cowling and Mr Gooding played for the team to strengthen it a bit, and allow those players going on the Barbados Hockey Tour over Easter the chance to rest before their 2 weeks away.

With a 5-3 score line to the Old Boys the current 1st XI should be very proud of their display. The team consisted of several Year 10 players to add some depth such as Ben P, Will M and Finn S. Goalkeeper Oli D was kept busy but kept the 1st XI in the game for long periods but it was inevitable that strikers like Bean, Green, Smithard and Marsh were surely going to break down a resistant defence.

Hopefully next year will be a luckier year for the 1st XI but the Old Boys certainly go from strength to strength. Special thanks to the Old Harveians Association for funding the teas after the game.

Badminton

The U14 Badminton team got through to the finals day of the Kent Schools Games and had a very successful and enjoyable day. With 3 Year 8 students and 1 student in Year 9 this was seen as a development team for next year. However, Bill N, Chris D, Zane P and George D were outstanding throughout the day. The team came second in their pool to a very talented Skinners Grammar team, which meant they qualified for the finals. They then made easy work of their semi final without losing a game but again faced Skinners in the final who were just too strong with 3 out of 4 of their players representing Kent badminton. The boys should feel very proud of their achievements.



1stXI County Champions!

On Saturday, the 1stXI travelled up to The Gallagher Stadium in Maidstone to face Hayes School in the KSFA U19 White Cup Final.

The most prestigious of all the cup competitions that the KSFA organise, the White Cup has not been won by The Harvey for many years (we shared the cup in 2014). We faced some very talented sides in the quarter & semi-finals in Dane Court & QES respectively, some very impressive performances meant we faced the school that came 2nd in the North Kent league. Our preparations for this season started in Easter last year, when the touring squad to America started their pre-season training. The hard work

then both on our fitness and more importantly our setup and formation came to fruition in the latter stages of the season. The same setup that we work on throughout the school.

Despite falling behind twice on Saturday, our boys played by far the better football between the 2 schools & got their rewards by grabbing the winning third goal with 10 minutes to play. A full squad performance, with all 16 boys there on the day playing their part. Stand

out performances came from Harry H, Oliver M & Jacob L who played his last game for the school. Scorers were Jack G, Dominic P & Euan S.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those parents, friends & teachers who came along on Saturday for their support, but also praise the hard work & commitment from everyone who has been involved this season in the senior teams.

Here's to a very successful 2016/17 season (2 County Cup victories) & excitement for the 2017/18 that lies ahead, culminating in the next USA tour.





SPORTSMAN OF THE MONTH

March 2017

1stXI Football Team

Winning the U19 KSFA White County Cup by beating Hayes School 3-2.

Keep up to date with all things Harvey Sport by following our Twitter account (@HGSSport) & keep an eye out on the PE & Sports notice board (opposite the staff room) for any info on fixtures, competitions & extra-curricular clubs.