

# The Harveian



## Term 5 2016 – 17

Dear Parents and Carers

The external exam season is already well underway and I know all involved are trying hard to achieve the best possible outcomes. It's a busy and challenging time for pupils, parents and staff and I wish all our boys the best of luck. However, I would remind them of what the highly successful World War Two general George S Patton said about luck in that "there's no such thing as luck, merely opportunity meeting preparedness," so a thorough

revision programme is highly recommended!

Our exciting sports hall extension is nearing completion and I have been busy working with our team on the final details. The new facility will without doubt be a fantastic addition for the school. Finally, can I take this opportunity to remind everyone that our summer uniform code begins after the half term break. This simply means that when the weather is hot, boys are not required to wear their blazer to school. However, a jumper of any kind should not be worn as a replacement, if it is cold enough to require one, then it isn't warm enough to remove a blazer. All other uniform requirements remain in place, most notably the need to wear school ties. I would very much appreciate the support of parents in ensuring all our boys adhere to these simple rules when we return to school.

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. Email: [Library@harveygs.kent.sch.uk](mailto:Library@harveygs.kent.sch.uk)*

## ***Dates for the next Academic Year 2016 – 17***

### **Term Dates**

Term 6	Monday 5th June 2017 - Thursday 20th July 2017
Term 1	Tuesday 5th September - Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> October
Term 2	Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> October - Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> December
Term 3	Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> January – Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> February

### **Staff Training Days 2016-17**

Friday 21 July 2017 (Twilighted)

### **Term 4**

#### ***Upcoming Events***

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> June: Year 9 trip to Ypres (1/2)

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> June: Year 9 trip to Ypres (2/2)

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June: Year 10 Art trip to Beany Gallery and Canterbury Cathedral

Monday 26<sup>th</sup> – Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> June: Years 7, 8 & 9 internal exams

Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June: Year 11 trip to Thorpe Park

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> - Friday 14<sup>th</sup> July: Year 10 Work Experience

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> July: Sports Day

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> – Friday 28<sup>th</sup> July: Ardèche trip

#### ***Staff updates***

Miss Barton has now started her maternity leave: we wish her well and welcome Mr Summers, who will be covering in her absence. We also say goodbye to Mrs Menendez, and wish her well in her new projects.

## Absences from School

If your son is going to be absent from school we require parents/carers to contact the school to explain their son's absence.

This contact can be made by:

- Phoning the school on **01303 252131** on each day of absence, preferably before 08.50. An out of hours answerphone facility is available on this number prior to 08.00 and after 17.00.
- E-mailing the school on [absences@harveygs.kent.sch.uk](mailto:absences@harveygs.kent.sch.uk) on each day of absence – again, preferably before 08.50.

In cases where we have not received any contact, we will phone or write to parents/carers asking for a reason to be given, as to why their son has been absent.



## News from the library

We all know the importance of reading to young children, but reading stays just as important as children grow up. Research shows that if a child stops reading by the age of 14, they will not start again, and that boys are much keener to read if they can use gadgets to do so.

We are therefore very keen to promote e-reading in all its forms. An easy and free way to access books electronically is via:

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

You simply need a KCC library card to access a range of books and popular magazines.



**Salus Shepway District Youth Work Spring Timetable Contact:**  
**Stephen Cook ☎ 07725 595750 E-Mail: [Stephen.cook@salusgroup.org.uk](mailto:Stephen.cook@salusgroup.org.uk)**

### **Salus Community Outreach:**

Salus is here to support and inspire people in our local communities. Meeting locally, we will work together to make a difference for the future. Our friendly, approachable team promises a supportive, confidential and unique service.

### **How we can help**

We believe it's really important that young people feel involved in their local community. We offer fun activities including sports and community projects. We also help people who are looking for work or volunteering opportunities and support young people to get qualifications. We will support young people in organising trips and residential activities. Recent examples have included day trips to Thorpe Park, England Football matches and Brighton Pride, as well as week-long sailing trips.

Check out our website for further details!

### **We are currently working in:**

- **Brenzett Monday 6:00pm – 8:00pm** in the village hall aged 8+
- **Seabrook Primary School Monday 3:15pm – 5:15pm**
- **Hythe Skate Park Monday 3:15pm – 5:15pm**
- **Churchill Primary School Tuesday 3:15pm – 5:15pm**
- **Hawkinge Detached Tuesday 6:00pm to 8:00pm** Pannell Drive Park
- **Brockhill School Wednesday & Thursday 10:00am – 2:00pm**
- **Lydd Youth set Wednesday 6:00pm to 8:00pm**
- **Folkestone outreach Thursday 6:00pm – 8:00pm** Coastal Park Area
- **Birchwood PRU Friday 10:00am – 2:00pm**

***Exact locations will be updated regularly on our website. If you would like us to come to your area, please contact Steve on the number above!***

### **We also offer youth services at our youth club in Hythe (Cinque Ports Avenue)**

#### **Hythe Youth Club**

- **Youth Club - Monday & Wednesday 6:30pm to 8:30pm** – for ages 11+
- **Youth Club - SASG Group Friday** (for young people with ASD) 6:00pm to 8:30pm – for ages 11 and above



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## Parents' Forum

At the end of last term, we held the most recent in our series of Parents' Forum Meetings. These are held three times a year and their purpose is to allow parents to share their perspectives and experiences of a number of key points in their sons' school life.

We have had a number of very successful meetings in this programme over the past few years covering a wide range of subjects. We have received excellent feedback from parents who welcomed the opportunity to discuss important topics informally and who particularly enjoyed being able to visit classes on a Learning Walk. The points raised in discussion have been invaluable to the school and allowed us to make further improvements to our procedures.

We met last term on Wednesday 29 March and our topic was *Transition to the Sixth Form at The Harvey*.

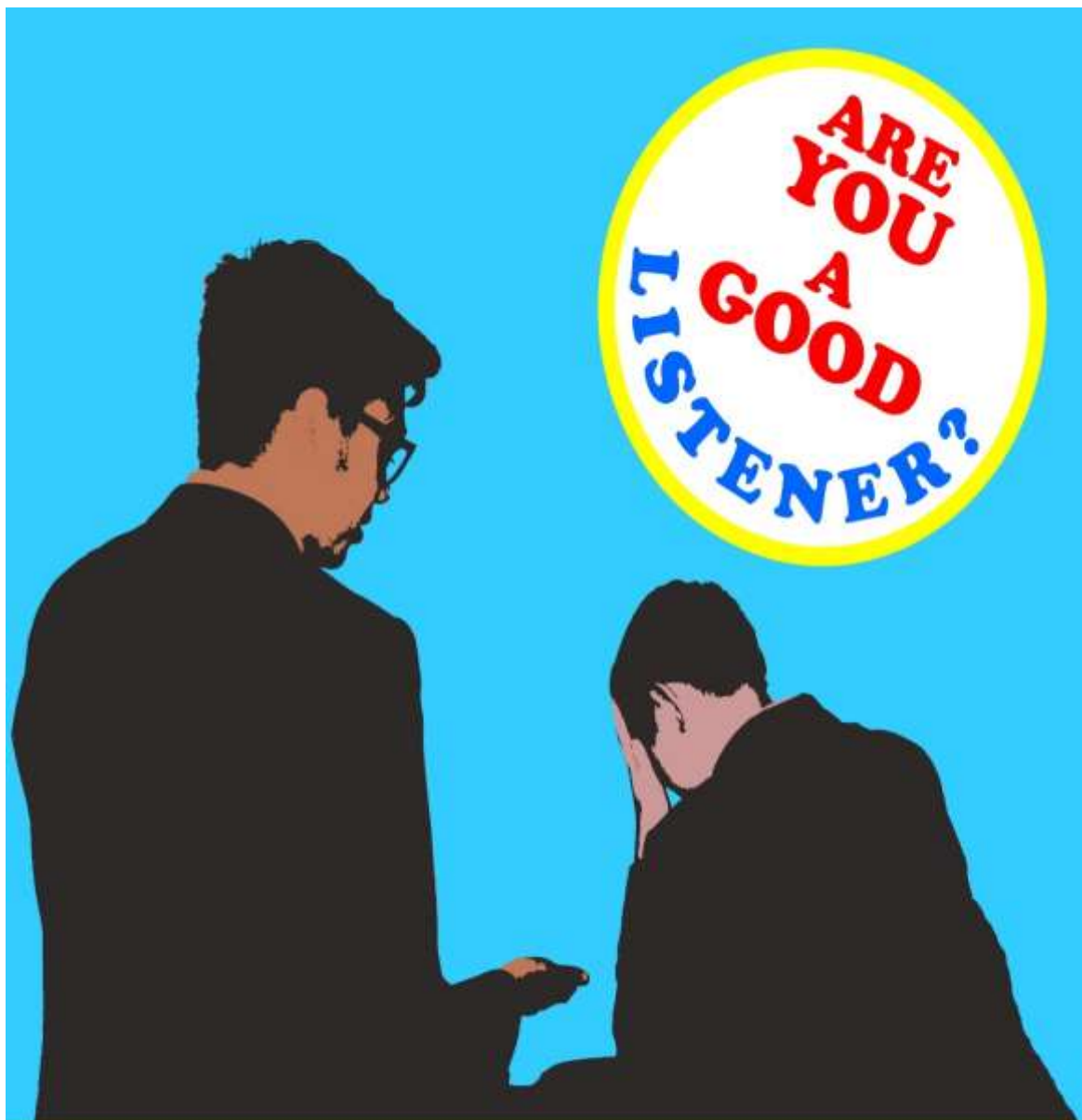
Mr Goodfellow began the meeting with an overview of the topic from the school's perspective and parents then had the opportunity to ask questions and to share their experiences from their families' perspectives. The following points were raised:

- Some parents suggested we might incorporate "soft" life skills, e-safety and advice and guidance on alternative pathways, particularly on apprenticeships and on industry-sponsored degrees into the PSHE programme at post 16.  
*All of these very useful suggestions will be considered for inclusion in next year's revised Sixth Form PSHE programme*
- Some parents were interested in an information evening on the UCAS process and the transition to university study.  
*We will investigate possible ways to help parents to understand this process in more detail and to become more involved in the UCAS process. This may involve an information evening or possibly an alternative approach.*
- One parent asked if the school had considered allowing individual subjects to present on Sixth Form Information Evening.  
*This will be discussed with curriculum leaders and our current arrangements will be reviewed.*
- One parent asked about opportunities for Y13 students to mentor Y12s.  
*We will investigate creating opportunities for this either through the current peer mentoring system or through the revised Sixth Form tutoring system.*

Details of our next meeting will be available next term. We warmly welcome parents to come along to this discussion. Developing a shared understanding of the important stages in the boys' school lives has been of great benefit and has allowed us to continue to improve.

*Mrs Turnbull* Assistant Headteacher





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## Music at The Harvey



This term has seen lots of music making in the Music Department. On St George's Day, the Big Band played for 'Strictly Come Dancing' charity event at the Leas Cliff Hall, entertaining people as they arrived and playing during the costume changes.

Back in school, on 2<sup>nd</sup> May, the department put on a Spring Showcase Concert in which all of the school ensembles performed. Music ranged from classical piano and saxophone pieces, folk music on violin, original compositions on piano and guitar (complete with professional video!) through to popular themes from the school orchestra, Beatles hits from the Barbershop, A medley of songs from Disney's Lion King, rounded off with some upbeat Jazz music from the Big Band. The audience enjoyed the eclectic mix of music from our students.

There will be more opportunities to hear some of these performances in the term 6 so keep an eye on the letters to parents and news items on the intranet.

# London Regeneration

On Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> April two classes of Year 12 Geographers visited London on a fieldwork trip to investigate urban regeneration.

After a relatively quick journey, we arrived at the O2. We were soon swept away by the knowledge that we would have to travel on the Emirates Air Line which was a terrifying 90m above the River Thames, despite some people's apprehension everyone enjoyed the ride and the view.



**The O2 and Emirate Air Line – View from the Royal Victoria Docks**



**Panoramic Photo of the The Royal Victoria Docks**

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Afterwards, we visited Royal Victoria Docks in order to investigate the extent to which it had been regenerated. Here we carried out three environmental surveys as well as collecting other data before continuing onto Canning Town. In Canning Town we carried out clone town surveys among other methods and this showed that the area was in need of regeneration. Next we travelled on the Dockland Light Railway to Westfield Shopping Centre, another recently regenerated part of London, where we stopped off for lunch.



**A view from Canning Town of Canary Wharf**

Once we had eaten our fill of free cereal samples, we were off to our last study site, Canary Wharf, where we carried out further surveys and questionnaires. The impact of regeneration on this area was also very clear to see with many high rise buildings and people in suits rushing around. After a final trip on the Emirates Air Line back over to the O2 we headed home with the knowledge of how to investigate regeneration in an urban area.



**Walking through Canary Wharf**

## Science: Parent challenge... Can you answer an A\* GCSE question?!

5. This question is about organic compounds. There are 10 marks.

5 (a) Ethanol is an alcohol. One use of ethanol is in alcoholic drinks.

Give two other uses of ethanol. (2 marks)

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5 (b) Which gas is produced when sodium reacts with ethanol? (1 mark)

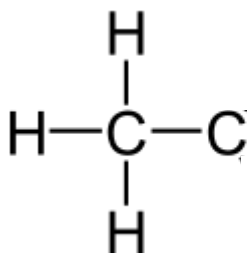
Carbon dioxide / Carbon monoxide / Hydrogen / Oxygen

5 (c) Ethanoic acid ( $\text{CH}_3\text{COOH}$ ) can be produced from ethanol ( $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{OH}$ ).

5 (c) (i) What type of reaction produces ethanoic acid from ethanol? (1 mark)

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5 (c)(ii) Complete the displayed structure of ethanoic acid (1 mark)



5 (c)(iii) Solutions of ethanoic acid and hydrochloric acid with the same concentration have different pH values. Explain why the solution of ethanoic acid has a higher pH than the solution of hydrochloric acid.

(2 marks)

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5 (d) Ethanol and ethanoic acid react in the presence of a catalyst to form an ester.

5 (d) (i) Name the ester made from ethanol and ethanoic acid. (1 mark)

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5 (d) (ii) What type of chemical is used as a catalyst in this reaction? (1 mark)

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5 (d) (iii) Esters are used in perfumes because they smell pleasant and are volatile.

What does volatile mean? (1 mark)

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## **Stewart Ross – local author.**

On Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> May, Stewart Ross, a local author, kindly gave his time to talk to students at the Harvey about his work. Of particular interest was his book 'The Soterion Mission', which pupils have been reading and engaging with in English lessons.

It is a post-apocalyptic novel with an intriguing storyline that includes no adults; the author explained that he wanted to explore what age someone is capable of becoming an adult, and ridding the book of grown-ups was the best way to accomplish this.

All who were lucky enough to be there enjoyed themselves immensely, with good feedback from those who heard the talk. He showed the inside workings of his authors mind, and explained the ideas, concepts and inspirations for the book.



A large part of the talk was opened up for questions, which came in abundance. These ranged from asking for guidance on how to get into the writing industry to asking how long it took to publish 'The Soterion Mission'.

Overall, a great session that was enjoyable for all. Many thanks to the brilliant Stewart Ross for his service.

Ben C. RJ5

### **Beacon Schools Programme: Holocaust Education**

As part of The Harvey's role as one of the select few University College London Beacon Schools across the country, specialising in Holocaust education, the History, R.E. and English departments have been working together to improve the standard of Holocaust education for our students. The benefits of our work will also be felt by students in eight other schools across Kent.



As part of the Beacon Schools Programme, Mr Duncan attended a four-day residential in London in October, and went on a four-day visit to Poland – including the Warsaw Ghetto and Treblinka death camp – in May.

Emma O'Brien, from University College London, delivered teacher training in May, ensuring that all teaching staff have a secure understanding of the Holocaust so that we are better equipped to help our students intellectually and emotionally when learning about this event.

The Harvey remains committed to teaching excellence, and will continue to build on this year's work in future years so that knowledge and understanding of the Holocaust continues to improve across all year groups and subjects.

## 'A Tale of A Nail' Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2017

Due to the high demand for main parts in school productions; some KS3 pupils showed a very keen interest in performing a play which was solely open to their key stage, enabling them to play main characters. So after Easter a group of 17 pupils from year 7-9 started to rehearse a one act play called 'Tale of a Nail'. We follow an



accident prone 'Mr Gouche' through the events which happen in his body after he hits a nail through his thumb. We see how the germs and thrombocytes battle it out to stop tetanus and heal Mr Gouche.

Due to bank holidays, we only had four after school rehearsals and various lunchtime rehearsals to get the play up to performance level.



It always comforts and excites me to see how much enthusiasm there is for extracurricular plays across all the year groups and the dedication the pupils put into the rehearsal process, learning lines and remembering blocking.

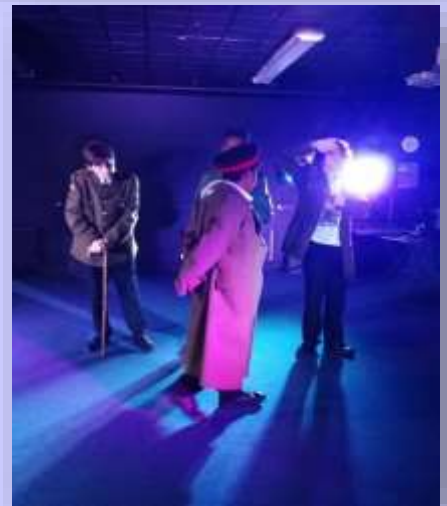


The evening saw an audience of 35 watch the half an hour play, which was full of humour and laughter. Once again the boys did not fail to produce a thoroughly enjoyable performance, seeing some ad-libbing and last minute jokes added for comic effect. A very big well done from me, your dedication and enthusiasm for drama makes my job as drama teacher a very enjoyable and privileged experience.



As a school we have entered the School's Shakespeare Festival once again, with a performance of Hamlet at The Quarterhouse Theatre Folkestone in November. Information for tickets and dates will be advertised on the school website. This year the performance will be directed by our year 13 pupil Ryan C-S and looks to be a highly recommended performance to go and watch.





## Year 8 and 9 drama showcase

On April 28<sup>th</sup> 2017 the drama option groups in year 8 and 9 performed an hour of drama to a very packed drama room full of parents. Students in both year groups had been working on devised piece, which they had made up based on ideas given to them in lessons, to create 2-minute drama pieces. The scenes varied from comedy, to tragedy, fighting, to light hearted laughter.

Each year students from the year 8 and 9 drama options are given the opportunity to perform in front of a live audience with lighting and sound. For most of our year 8 pupils it is the first time they have performed in front of a live audience and can be a very scary and anxious experience. The pupils work on their devised pieces during term 4, choosing their groups, genres, props, music and lighting.

This year saw the largest number of pupils participating and the most diverse performances. The standard this year was very high and the evening was very professional. Over 70 friends and family members attended with many of the pupils peers also coming to watch and support. It was the most entertaining showcase I have ever organised. The audience were laughing, stunned into silence and full of admiration for the courage and talent our young drama students have. One year 8 group made large props and edited a sound track for their piece-an amazing level of dedication and professionalism. It was a very enjoyable evening and I would like to thank all the pupils involved for their dedication and hard work and congratulate them on the most successful drama showcase to date.



## BFI Spanish Trip

It was a very enjoyable day of watching films in Spanish, as it isn't something you do every day. The booklets with the vocabulary were very helpful for understanding and studying the films. As well as this, the activities provided in the booklet were fun to have a go at.

(Although we could have done with a little more time to complete them.) Watching and analysing the short films in the morning was very interesting as it introduced lots of new words to learn as well as actually watching films. The full length movie in the afternoon was very interesting and with the subtitles being given it allowed the plot to be understood as well as some of the words being identified from previous knowledge and some new words to be picked up. Overall it was a very fun day out to go and speak Spanish with a fun way of doing it.



Thomas A

# Table Tennis

Weald win Division 1 NCL title at Horsham

For 1st place, it was a formality for Weald (Including our own Tom D, of Resolution) to take this with ease, although not having it as easy on Day 4, as they had the other days.



They finished on 102 points, 27 points ahead of second placed Horsham Spinners.



## Harvey Golf Championship 2017



The Harvey Golf Championship took place on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> April this year, and was a huge success with a total of 16 players competing for the gross and nett prizes. The

venue this year was once again Etchinghill Golf Club, but this time the competition was played on the lower Valley course. An array of golfing talent across all ages was on show in some difficult conditions – which included a short hail downpour! The overall prize was taken by year 11 student Callum S, who shot an impressive seven over par, while the nett went to Henry B in year eight. Well done to all those who took part, and thank you to John Edwards and Geoffrey Cooke of the Old Harveian Golf Society who helped with the organisation and running of the day.



## Year7 Futsal County Finals

On the 25<sup>th</sup> of April, a team of 8 year 7s participated in a Kent School Games futsal tournament. Our performances were of a high quality throughout, sticking well to the game plan that we had worked on during EPS sessions. In the league section, we drew with a very strong Tunbridge Wells Grammar School, who beat us in the County Cup semi-final earlier in the season, as well as running out as eventual winners in this competition, before another draw with Mascalls. This meant we finished 3<sup>rd</sup> in our group, so faced Canterbury Academy in the 5<sup>th</sup> / 6<sup>th</sup> place play off. A late goal from Sunny R allowed us our first victory of the day & a 5<sup>th</sup> place finish. Another great result for our boys to go with their league & cup exploits. The goal scorers were: Fin D, Sunny R(2) and Ihab A (3). Overall, it was a good experience accompanied with a good result. Report by Max F.



## Painful double overtime defeat for year 7 basketball

Our year 7 basketball team's unbeaten run was ended in the worst possible way on Tuesday, in their final versus an incredibly well-supported Brockhill team.

Valid excuses aside, our boys played well enough to be 27 – 20 up after three quarters – including a great 10 – 0 run midway through the game. Sadly, Q4 is usually where basketball games are won and lost and (following one of the worst motivational coaching talks of all time) HGS didn't score and conceded 7 points in the final 10 minutes, forcing the final into overtime (an additional five minute period).

Overtime was frantic, end to end and lacking in any real quality – very unlike our boys this year. Too many missed shots and numerous turnovers where we did well to win rebounds but then gave away possession easily saw us do well to force a second period of OT, level at 29 – 29 with the momentum and crowd favouring Brockhill heavily.

The second period of overtime saw more of the same from HGS, Brockhill outscored us from the foul line and in one great shot from mid-range helped seal the game in favour of the hosts 35 – 31.

Our boys should be very proud of themselves however for reaching the final AND having the best record of all schools in the district in the four qualifying games. Sadly, come final day, we just didn't reproduce our best basketball and this will have to serve as motivation for next year, where this year's squad become an Under 14 team, merged with some equally talented players in the year above.



Squad L – R:

Lewis W, Milo H, Ihab A, Zeyt U;

Marlow T, Oscar J, Ely F-S, Granit I, Will C.

Missing: Euan S

Talks are underway for a rematch at home, date TBC and it would be great if we could attract a similar level of support to that which Brockhill had at their home court.

Defensive MVPs: Ihab A / Marlow T

Offensive MVPs: Ely F-S / Zeyt U.

Coach: Mr Forsyth.

## Under 16 basketball team progress to their final



What an afternoon!

Before we report on the game, we have to say a huge thank you to Mr 'coach K' Bridgeland for the most impeccable minibus driving seen in some time and a hugely motivational team talk which implied that the boys would only be allowed back on the bus if they win!

It's a good job then given the promise of a long walk home that we had four quarters, because the first ten minutes were as bad as we had played in a while. Silly passes, missed shots which weren't on, turnovers, lazy defence, poor marking... saw us 16 – 6 down quickly.

We regrouped, had a chat, words were exchanged and frustrations vented before quarter 2 when it became The Mason show. The Harvey seemed a little intimidated by their bigger opponents to begin with but three quick lay-ups from Mason fighting to get to the rim plus foul points too brought us closer and a timeout from John Wallis let us evaluate what was working.

George C seemed to be 2 inches taller after a short rest and Hunter was finding everybody in open space. Max and Chhewang were important too as the game went on, providing rotation and rest minutes for their team mates while Dylan and Sakriya's defensive intensity kept John Wallis to only 6 points in quarter 2 and 7 points in total during the second half. Fantastic work gentlemen!

Hunter and Mason will need to produce something similar in the final to get us over 40 points and rely on the rest to keep the opposition sub-40 if we want to beat The North's powerful basketball academy.

Great team performance guys, one to go!

Squad (L – R): George C, Dylan L, Hunter E-R, Sakriya G, Max S, Chhewang R-M, Mason R\*

Missing: Oscar H, James Cr.

Coach: Mr Forsyth.



## **Sports Kit.**

Boys grow very quickly... so the office has a stock of second hand sports kit. Some items, particularly tracksuits are like new. All are washed pre-sale.

### **PRICE LIST**

HGS Black Shorts £2

HGS Tracksuit Bottoms £3

HGS Rugby Shirt £4

HGS Football Shirt £4

HGS White Polo Shirt £2

HGS Tracksuit Top £4







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.