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Term 2. 2020 – 2021.

Dear Parents,

This term has brought so many significant challenges for all but I hope that reading about some school news that isn't Covid related will help bring a little bit of brightness to your day. I am sincerely proud of the efforts of all in our community for doing their very best to keep school life as normal as possible for all in such challenging times. Finally, I hope that the Christmas break brings joy to all.

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Mr S Norman Headteacher





Dates for the Academic Year 2020 – 21.

Term Dates

Term 3 Monday 4th January 2021 – Friday 12th February 2021 Term 4 Monday 22nd February 2021 – Thursday 1st April 2021 Term 5 Monday 19th April 2021 - Friday 28th May 2021 Term 6 Monday 7th June 2021 – Friday 16th July 2021

Staff Training Days 2020-21

Monday 19th July 2021 - Twilighted Tuesday 20th July 2021 – Twilighted Wednesday 21st July 2021 - Twilighted

Upcoming Events

January Wednesday 13th January – Y9 Study Ninja Thursday 21st January – CXK Careers Interviews Thursday 28th January – CXK Careers Interviews & Y9 Careers Assembly

February

Thursday 11th February – CXK Careers Interviews Thursday 25th February – CXK Careers Interviews

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

Library and Homework Club

During COVID-19 times we are having to run the library a little differently.

During lesson time **only** Year 12 and 13 will be able to access the library for **<u>timetabled</u>** private study sessions. The library will not be open to pupils before school starts at 8.50am or at break times. Each year group have allocated times with which they can use the library during lunchtime and after-school (homework club).

Day	First lunch	Second lunch	After school (Homework club)
Monday	Y10	Y7	Y8
Tuesday	Y8	Y11	Y9
Wednesday	Y9 (half)	Y9 (half)	Y10
Thursday	Y10	Y7	Y11
Friday	Y8	Y11	Y7

Free e-books and e-magazines

With limited access to the school library due to COVID-19 restrictions, we would encourage all students to register with Kent libraries to access electronic resources. With a Kent Libraries library card (available from all local libraries and online) you can access a huge range of books and magazines.



http://www.kent.gov.uk/leisure-and-community/libraries/ebookseaudiobooks-and-emagazines

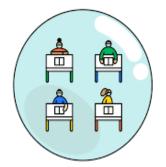
Reading at The Harvey Grammar School.



Accelerated Reader in Key Stage 3.

After its popularity and success in year 7 and then year 8, Accelerated Reader has been rolled out across key stage 3. Students are encouraged to complete quizzes at home, as soon as they have finished a book: this is different to previous years when they could only complete quizzes in school, but with limited access to the library

as the school endeavours to keep all students in year group bubbles, this seems the only way to enable students to keep up with quizzing as they, hopefully, read more and more books!!



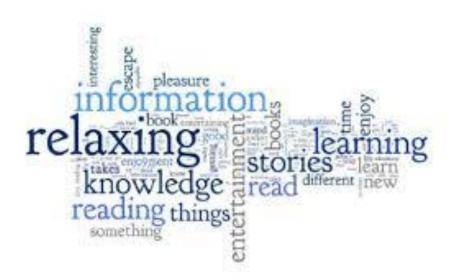
For students who struggle to find the motivation to read, all key stage 3 tutor groups have been given a set of books to read as a class. We hope this will tempt some of our more reluctant readers! For example....



Key Stage 4.

For any of our year 10 students who don't enjoy reading fiction, we are introducing tutor group reading boxes which will include some magazines, short articles and extracts from recent news, speeches, diary entries... briefer, factual reads to tempt more data driven brains!







We are always very happy to receive pre-loved books so other students may enjoy them.



Music at The Harvey Grammar School

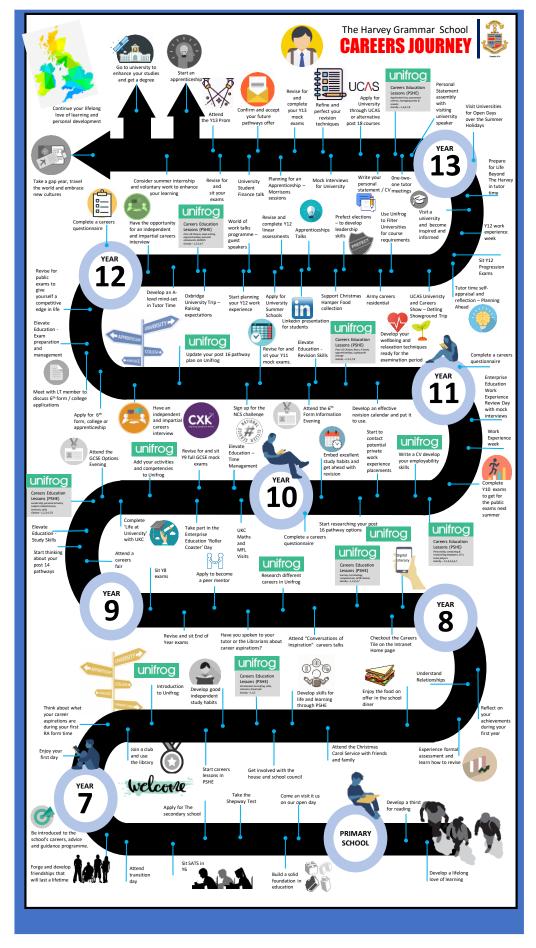
Mr Barker has worked a small miracle to enable the Big Band to continue to play during these challenging times. They are meeting once a week to practice in the hall in a very socially distanced manner!



The emotional and health benefits of playing music are huge, as well as being enormous fun for the students and those lucky enough to hear them.



They are currently preparing for Christmas, working on a number of festive pieces including Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer, Winter Wonderland and White Christmas. This will be available on line, for you to enjoy!



Double click on the image and use the magnifying glass icon to zoom in and have a look at all the careers activities which are going on... or at least as many as we could fit!!

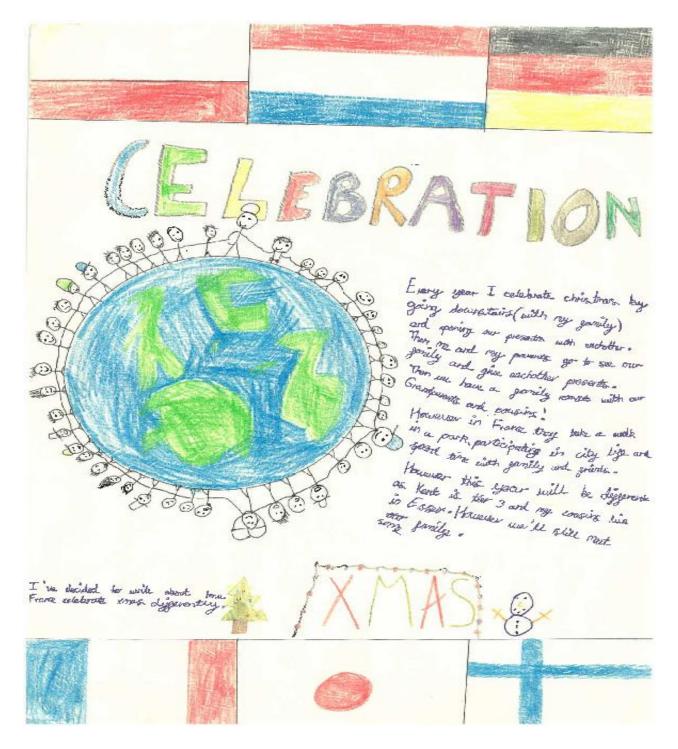


Year 7 Cultural Celebrations Challenge.

In light of current events, celebrations across the world have been very different, so the MFL department challenged year7 to write a small paragraph in English, about their favourite celebration.

The winners are as follows:

1. Jay-J 7V - Christmas around the World



2. Ahan 7M – Dashain

Ahan R 7M



What is your favourite holiday you celebrate and how has COVID19 changed the way you celebrate it?

Dashain: बडादर्श (pronounced dus-ayy)



Dashain is a festival celebrated by Hindus and Nepalese folk, originating from Nepal. The way we celebrate it is that we have it for about 3-4 days. Some people in the Hindu/Nepalese community can have up to 19 days.

In the first day, we all thank our God for everything they have given us throughout our wonderful lives. This takes a tew minutes due to the vest amount of actions done during the praying. We shower a small photo/statue with flower petals, thanking the God once more for our outstanding lives. We sit down and have water and, again, flower petals showered against us in an act of replenishing us. Rice is mixed with a small amount of yogurt. The mixture is then applied directly to the forehead. Whilst being applied, the person applying the combination of yogurt and rice (eg, my father, mother or grandma) will mutter words of success and long life to us, wishing upon God for the further commitment of us studying, becoming sensations in different categories of well earning jobs. When the person has finished, we (the children) are given a small or large sum of money. They are 'the gitts from God to us'. This scenario usually occurs with our family, along with most of the Nepalese community. Although we usually gain around 200-300 pounds from the single day, due to the pandemic we are currently in for now, we only visited around 2 houses, given 70 pounds in total. This may come off as selfish or petty, but we do care most about God more than the final amount of cash we own. This declares the end of the festival and we all return home to rest. The following days consist of praying/thanking God.

To follow on, we have a festival called Tihar. The festival of light and colours. For us, me and my younger sister, the younger sibling has to preform the acts. First, water and flower petals are scattered around us. The younger sibling will then go out and creck open a walnut. They come back in and apply an assort of rainbow colours on the elder sibling, and vice versa. A flower necklace is then placed on the eldest's neck bye the youngest.

3. Seb 7V - My Birthday



My favourite celebration is my birthday! The reason I like my birthday is because unlike Christmas it's my "special" day. I celebrate it like most normal Christians. I do receive presents and cards and Fm very grateful for them. I always go on a bike ride with my friends and sometimes we go to Hythe and Saltwood sailing club to sail our boats! As a family tradition I will always have a chocolate smartie cake! Birthday celebrations are said to have started with the ancient Egyptians, who celebrated birthdays of the Pkaraohs. Ancient Romans were the first civilization to celebrate family and friends' birthdays together. Different cultures also celebrate birthdays! In Latin America they celebrate the 15th birthday of a young girl with a celebration called quinceafiera. This birthday is celebrated differently from any other as it marks the transition from childhood to becoming a woman. In the religion of Judaism the 13th birthday is celebrated with a bar mitzvah for a hoy and a bat mitzvah for a girl. We had to celebrate this occasion slightly differently this year, because although my birthday is in Angust we could not have the large bike ride with all my friends. Instead I met up with 3 of my best friends and we all gathered on the beach to sail and swim, so backily, overall my birthday did not feel too different to last year!

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5. Thomas 7M - Christmas in France & Spain

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Year 13 Debate

Que pensez- vous du vote à 16 ans?

Mrs Wyllie's Yr13 French students are currently studying the topic of politics. In preparation for their speaking examination we held a debate where the two teams had to argue for / against the right to vote at 16 years old.

The groupings were drawn out of hat and students had to prepare their case. Miss Hincker then challenged the boys on their arguments and points of view.



Well done for thorough preparation and spontaneous responses to Miss Hincker's questioning.

Mrs Wyllie

Christmas Charity Appeal at HGS

As in previous years we have run our Christmas charity appeal this December. Despite the challenges we are facing at the moment, we're hoping that this will be a great way to allow us all to share our community spirit and make a difference to those who need it most.



Tutor groups have decorated boxes and filled them with donations, which will be distributed to Action on Homelessness, Folkestone Foodbank, Holy Trinity Church, St Georges Church & Tynwald Residential Care Home.





We would like to remind students and parents that while we encourage students to drink water throughout the day, they should not be drinking energy drinks or sugary, fizzy drinks at school as these are damaging to both their health and their concentration.



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At this unprecedented time it is crucial that we keep active to maintain not only our physical health but also support our minds. Studies have proven the benefits of exercise on mental health and the PE department are doing everything we can to promote this idea. The poster below is massively relevant during this pandemic and it's essential for the boys to be able to play sport and exercise to help relieve some of the anxiety surrounding the Corona Virus. The PE department at the Harvey have tried to ensure all our boys have as much access to sport as we can give them as well as the tools and knowledge to exercise safely at home.

What are the benefits of exercise on mental health?



Reduce stress levels Exercise can help to reduce your cortisol levels



Improves social well being

Whilst exercising you might meet new people and develop more friendships



Reduced anxiety

When you exercise your brain releases endorphins which can help to calm you down



Increased self esteem

As you become faster, fitter and stronger you start to improve your self confidence



Reduced risk of depression Exercise can help to improve your mood

Statistics from PHYSICAL ACTIVITY STATISTICS, 2013 BITTISH HEART FOUNDATION

Boost Brainpower

Exercise can help to improve cognitive functioning including decision making and learning Despite the recent Lockdown, sport here at The Harvey has been pretty much as normal. Although we couldn't play fixtures against other schools in term 2, there has been plenty going on. In lessons, at lunchtimes as well as after school. Below are some of the things that have been taking place.

LESSONS

Practical lessons have been taking place as normal, with every boy in Key Stages 3&4 having access to at least an hour & a half of physical exertion a week within curriculum time.

The usual Autumn sports of football & hockey have been at the forefront for most, but there has been the odd bit of basketball, volleyball & handball thrown in for some.



Groups 3&4 in Year9MRV have spent part of this term looking at what makes an Invasion Game, before then putting these ideas in to action with the formation of their own versions. Rules & Regulations, a Scoring System & Strategy were the main elements for them to focus their attentions on.



Higher up the school, our Senior BTec students have been looking at Leadership in Sport through various different team tasks. These tasks allowed various ideas & theories that we had spoken about to come out. They were able to see the different stages of Team Formation, how Social Loafing could impact upon performance as well as how Cohesion could determine a successful outcome for them all.



EXTRA-CURRICULAR

Sport didn't stop with the lessons this term though, with over 250 boys engaging in our extracurricular programme at some point, whether at lunch times or after school.

Uni Hoc has been a popular favourite with the Yr10s, whilst with the help of Miss Hincker, volleyball has seen numbers increase as the term went on both at lunch as well as after school on a Tuesday.

With the hope for a basketball season at some point in 2021, boys have taken the opportunity to get their dunk game on as well in preparation.

After school we started to have more focussed sessions for members of the various school teams we normally run. A mixture of training sessions or inter-squad games, it has allowed the boys the opportunity to not only play competitively, but also then develop various skills, ideas or styles of play that we may not have otherwise been able to look at.





We have also been fortunate enough to have Coach Nick Skelton from Hythe Tennis Club continue to come in after school to coach members of KS3.



These clubs will change after Christmas, with posters to show what is going on where & when displayed around school, so keep a lookout for these upon your return. You'll also be able to find a copy at the end of our report.

VIRTUAL COMPETITIONS

This year's Sports Hall Athletics District Championships went virtual, with each school competing in their own facilities before submitting the results online.

Both our Yr7s & 8s performed very well. Overall Champion in YR 8 was Sammy Baker with Toby G & Nevin R making up the podium. Rohan L & Alfie A will make up our team of 5 in

the County Championships. In Yr 7, Champion Louis J with Shimi Z & Lucas S made up the podium. Sammy B & Caleb W will make up our team of 5 in the County Championships.





If you have any sporting news or achievements from outside of school, please email Mr Walton with the details so we can continue to celebrate the boys' successes.

Harvey Grammar School Sportsmen of the Term



Louis J (Yr7) & Sammy B (Yr8) Winners in the Virtual Sports Hall Athletics Competitions



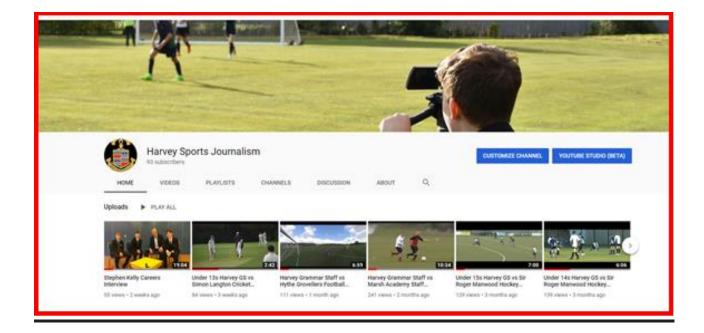


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YOUTUBE CHANNEL

At the start of last year the Harvey Sports Journalism YouTube channel was created on which a majority of sporting fixtures including Football, Basketball, Hockey and Rugby are recorded, edited and uploaded to the public allowing people to really see what goes on in the Harvey Grammar Sports Department. You can also find the Harvey Sports "How To" series that were produced by staff members during Lockdown, as a means to learn new sporting skills.

If you would like to watch some of the sporting fixtures which are already on the channel please go to YouTube and search Harvey Sports Journalism or copy and paste the following link into your browser: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCLANYR9jnLDPet7OaPDa14w?



INTER HOUSE

With the new timetable, Inter House competitions have been a little harder to co-ordinate & organise. We will continue to update results in future editions, but also on the noticeboards in the Sports Hall & in the Main Corridor.

Towards the end of Term 1, we organised Inter House Table Tennis competitions for Years 7 & 8. With nearly a full compliment of players for each house team, competition was tight in both age groups.

After a winner takes all match in the Yr8, Victory 1 were crowned Champions, with their House also taking home the team honours. Victory 2 were the winners in the Yr7 event. However Discovery ended up winning overall.

Competitions for other age groups will take place later in the year.





SPONSORSHIP

Own a local business? Know someone who does?

Would you or they be interested in sponsoring or donating to Harvey Sports? We compete in local, regional, county & national competitions, not to mention the full & extensive extra-curricular programme we run within school. This gives the boys as much opportunity to participate, have fun & develop as possible.

We want to continue to do this, whilst inspiring more boys to get involved. The prospect of pulling on a new Harvey sponsored kit would help this no end.

Contact Mr Cowling (<u>sccowling@harveygs.kent.sch.uk</u>) or Mr Walton (<u>jwalton@harveygs.kent.sch.uk</u>) for more details.

HGS SPORTS KIT

A reminder that below is the PE & Sport kit for your lessons at The Harvey. All available online from Ambition Sport.

If for whatever reason you cannot bring in any of these items for your lessons, a note from your parent to explain the situation along with an alternative is required.



EXTRA CURRICULAR

		HALL	SPORTS	VENUE	Presed 104
12.50 -1.20	LUNCH TIME 12.10 - 12.40	12.50 - 1.20	LUNCH TIME 12.10 - 12.40	TIME	
Yr7 Uni Hoc SCC	Yr8 Uni Hoc JW	Yr7 BASKETBALL PMC	Yr8 BASKETBALL WD	MONDAY	
Yr9 Uni Hoc NB		Yr9 BASKETBALL SCC	Yr9 BASKETBALL JW	TUESDAY	
Yr11 VOLLEYBALL MH	Yr10 VOLLEYBALL JW	Yr11 BASKETBALL SCC	Yr10 BASKETBALL WD	WEDNESDAY	
Yr11 Uni Hoc NB	Yr8 Uni Hoc JW	Yr11 BASKETBALL MS	Yr8 BASKETBALL WD	THURSDAY	
Yr7 Uni Hoc SCC	Yr10 Uni Hoc JW	Yr7 BASKETBALL PMC	Yr10 BASKETBALL WD	FRIDAY	Transl 101

	ATP	36	SPORTS HALL	VENUE
	15.30 - 16.30	15.30 - 16.30	15.30 - 16.30	TIME
		Yr11 Football MT (Changing Room 1)	Yr10 VOLLEYBALL MH (Changing Room 2)	MONDAY
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		Yr8 FOOTBALL PCa/JW (Changing Room 1)	Yr10 HOCKEY NB (Changing Room 3)	WEDNESDAY
	Yr7 HOCKEY SCC (Changing Room 2) Yr8 HOCKEY MS (Changing Room 3)	Yr7 FOOTBALL JW/PCa (Changing Room 1)	Yr8 BASKETBALL WD (Changing Room 4)	THURSDAY
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