The Harveian



Term 2. 2022-2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

Having written a long end of term letter, I won't say anything more other than to hope you enjoy reading this edition of the Harveian and to wish everyone a restful and enjoyable festive break.



Mr S Norman Headteacher 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 Diary

Term dates (2022-2023):

- Term 3: Tuesday January $3^{rd} 2023 \rightarrow$ Friday February $10^{th} 2023$
- Term 4: Monday February $20^{th} 2023 \rightarrow$ Friday March $31^{st} 2023$
- Term 5: Monday April 17th 2023→ Friday May 26th 2023
- Term 6: Monday June $5^{th} 2023 \rightarrow$ Tuesday July $18^{th} 2023$

Training Days

Wednesday July 19th 2023 Thursday July 20th 2023 Friday July 21st 2023

Events

January

Friday 11th January 2023 Tuesday 20th January 2023 Wednesday 25th January 2022 Monday 30th January 2022

February

Friday 3rd February 2023 Tuesday 7th February 2023 Y11 Reports Issued Sixth Form Information Evening Y11 Parents' Evening Year 13 Mock Examinations (ending February 3rd)

Y9 Reports Issued GCSE Options Evening

Reading at The Harvey

Word millionaires!!

Our most epic readers who have each read over a million words since the beginning of this academic year:

- Marcas H 1,895,275
- Max L 1,691,528

Shanchez K 1,599,569

- Elliot H 1,388,553
- Benjamin B 1,378,184
- Ferrell F 1,375,647
- Alexander L 1,360,508
- Alexander I 1,335,051
- Semyon S 1,274,255
- Shivn T 1,226,633
- Harry R 1,087,740
- Archie B 1,063,393
- Jacob D 1,049,225

Fraser D 1,009,344

A R Term 2 Prize Draw winners!

Winning a diner voucher for a breakfast, or a lunch, or a drink and a cookie or cake!!



Marcus H 8DJ1 Harry K 8DJ3 Jai Yu W 8 EJ2 Albert S 8 EJ2 Jack H 9RJ2 Robin E 9 RJ2 Alfie J 9 VJ5 Ewan B 8 VJ4

The more you read, the better your chance of winning!!



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2 x Black Biro 1 x Pencil 1 x Pencil Sharpener 1 x Rubber 1 x 15cm Ruler 1 x Protractor 1 set of Compasses

...which should be everything you need for exams

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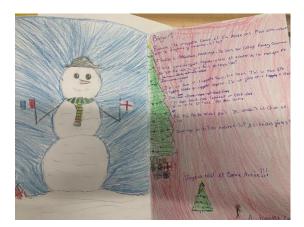


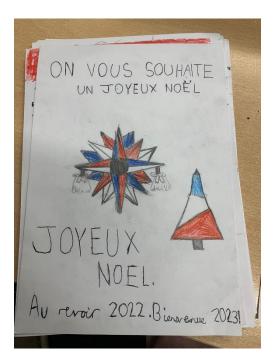
MFL News – Term 2

We have had lots of speaking activities going on – Yr 7s conducted surveys in French and Yr 13 held a debate in French as to whether 16 year olds should be given the right to vote. Our Sixth Form Language Ambassadors, Berke & Tom, have been assisting the MFL department with speaking practice with Yr9 & 10 French students. We are very grateful for their help and they are doing a fantastic job!

Year 7

Our 7 students are in the process of writing their first letter to their penfriends from the Lycée Haffreingue in Boulogne-sur-mer. We look forward to receiving their replies next term.











A Level: Year 12 Cinema Visit

On Wednesday 7th December our Yr12 French students went to the Silver Screen cinema in Folkestone.

We joined with the A level students from Folkestone School for Girls for a special screening of the film 'La Haine', which we study for Paper 2.

It was a fantastic opportunity to see the film on the big screen. Merci to the Silver Screen.







Year 13

Our Yr13 students have been busy this term. We started the term with a political debate 'Que pensez vous du vote à 16 ans'. Very well researched, and on occasions, heated debate. Well done to Matt for chairing and keeping proceedings calm and orderly.



We ended the term with a revision micro teach project. It is wonderful to see so many future teachers in the making!













Congratulations to all of our Stars of the Term! Well done for all your effort and achievement.

We are in the process of planning some more exciting enrichment opportunities for 2023...



Joyeux Noel! ¡Feliz Navidad!

Mrs Wyllie, Miss Perez-Moreno, Miss Hincker & Ms Diaz



7-11 November 2022

GCHQ

This term, The Government Communications Headquarters (GCHQ) ran a National (virtual) Language Competition aimed at Year 9s in the United Kingdom.

Even though this event was our first time one, we had thirteen teams representing The Harvey Grammar School. Students grouped in a team of four, worked together to solve virtual challenges in various languages.

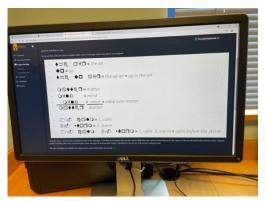
More than 3000 schools across the UK completed a series of challenges via a platform called 'Arena' in order to gain points. For each task, students had to use their codecracking and solving skills to come up with a pattern or a solution called FLAG which it awarded them with certain number of points.

At the end of the week, the team Fancy energetic Crocodile scored 6385 points winning the HGS challenge and getting into the top 10% schools in England! Well done!

HGS POSITION	TEAM	RANKING GCHQ	POINTS
1	Fancy Energetic Crocodile	61	6385
2	Kind Fancy Peafowl	168	4080
3	Precious Helpful Ovster	209	3600
4 3000 Bright Dogrish 247 3330			
5	Superb Wacky Gerbil	307	2890
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Some of our students' and winners' experience.

The GCHQ challenge was very enjoyable and fun. It really pushed me, especially when we go to the more difficult questions. I would recommend that everyone should give it a go. TS







The GCHQ competition was really fun and interesting. It taught me a lot about different languages from across the world and showed me how to crack new and interesting codes.

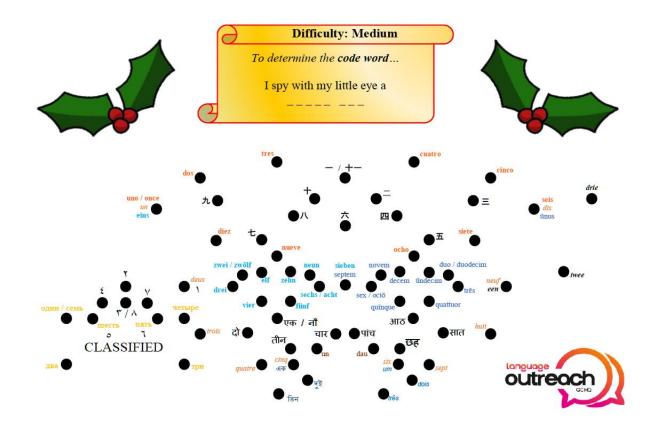
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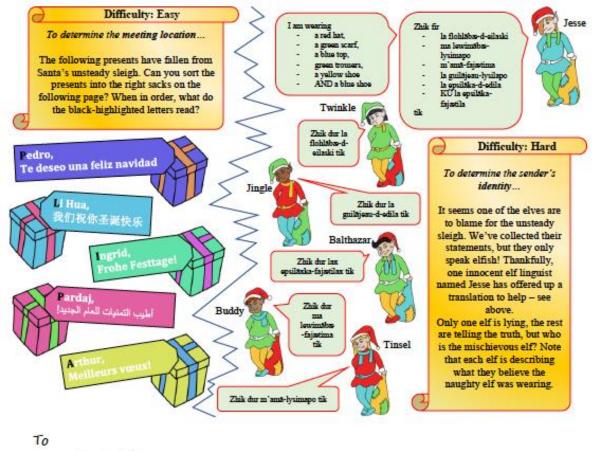
"The competition was fierce all week with teams from more than 650 schools across the UK putting their language skills to the test and battling it out for the top spot on our leaderboard. It was a closely fought race right up to the

very end with teams pulling out all the stops to crack those codes and solve those language puzzles!".



If you enjoy code-cracking and solving puzzles, why don't you attempt these festive challenges?

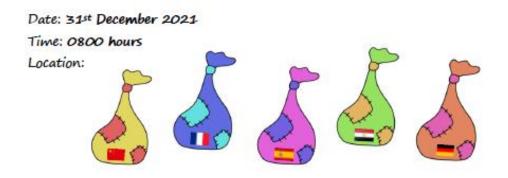




Agent Elfis,

Merry Christmas! I look forward to seeing you after the festive holiday so we can continue with our grand plan. Also, don't forget about our meet-up at the end of the month. To protect my identity, pass on an 8-letter codeword and to keep the meeting location unknown to our enemies, I have hidden this information in the card's festive puzzles.

Meeting details:





Christmas Charity Appeal

Now in its 5th year, our school Christmas Charity Appeal was yet again a huge success.

We are hoping that this will be a 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 the food banks, local churches and beneficiaries in our town before Christmas.

Thank you for your support. As always, we have been overwhelmed by your generosity.

Mrs Wyllie





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Harvey Grammar Panto Written by Charlie G

Another year another panto, this one being particularly special to me as it is my last at this school. Having done the panto every year since I was in year 8, I am pretty well versed in how the whole process works but this year offered a new challenge as along with Henry B I chose to direct this year's offering. The process started all the way back in early March as Tom C took on the

mammoth task of writing the Wizard of Oz (a Harvey Panto) something that he achieved successfully, and without him and his oftencheesy jokes the panto just couldn't have happened. In late September we assembled a cast and began



rehearsing and so began a stressful but fun two- and a-bit months as we created and polished the whole production. To say it was an easy and stressfree process would be lying but it was one that I would choose to do again time after time not only because it taught me lessons about leadership and listening but because I got to work with some amazing people most notably Josh N and Harry B (both of which run the school's tech team), my fellow director Henry B (who put in a fantastic performance as Glinda), the writer Tom C (who bravely donned green face paint three shows in a row) and most importantly the whole cast who gave it their all, took everything in their stride and ultimately gave an amazing performance every single time. The Harvey Panto is such a great way to form friendships across year groups, act, sing and dance with a

group of like-minded people, improve confidence and get into the Christmas spirit. The Panto is uploaded on to YouTube and available to watch (thanks to filming by Sam M) and we have the spring musical coming up in late April if you are



interested in more projects done by our performing arts department. Finally have a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

The Harvey Grammar School Sixth Form Debating Society

The HGS's Debate Society has been back in full swing this term, meeting on Thursdays at 12:30. It's a small group of primarily Year 13 students who spend 50 minutes every week in H65 discussing key and crucial topics. Despite being a small batch of boys, many have loud

voices presenting thought provoking and interesting arguments on a wide range of questions.

The subject matter for debates has ranged from serious, relevant and topical issues like are ever becoming more present in our society such as the legality of abortion in the wake of the Dobbs V Jackson ruling in the US Supreme Court, or whether the UK should introduce a two-year mandatory military conscription for under 35s. But more relaxed and casual debates have also occurred such as who would be the victor in a battle between Godzilla and Darth Vader.

The debaters are split normally into two groups where they will argue for the two sides of that week's debate, although they will not necessarily argue for the side they agree with. Debating in favour of an argument you don't believe is a tricky task but one which can be eye opening as you are forced to see an issue from an opposing view to your own.

A typical debate lasts 45 - 50 minutes and is structured as follows:



- 1. Preparation of arguments and opening statements
- 2. Opening statements are given
- 3. The two sides question each other's statements
- 4. Further arguments and questions are given back and forth like a tennis match
- 5. Closing statements are prepared
- 6. Closing statements are given
- 7. The adjudicator decides on which side is the winner

The whole procedure is filled with fierce debate but also fun and laughs as members make points left right and centre, coming up with creative ways to gain and edge over the opposition team.

Year 11 Mock Exams: (written by Ollie O)

I, as well as all Year 11's, have been taking mock exams in preparation for our GCSEs in June. They give us an idea what the exam weeks will feel like as well as give us a good idea of how well we are performing. I think we all know how it feels taking an exam in a silent hall where it is just you and the paper. But how is the Harvey getting on?

What is exam week like?

During exam weeks, a day in Year 11 can go like this: You may have 1 or 2 in the Morning, Afternoon, or both. These exams happen in the sports hall and can range from 1 - 2 hours. Any time not in the exam hall is spent in the lesson you usually have but the time is used to revise. It's very



different to the usual school day but I think it gives you a nice sense of independence.

Like the real thing, we will get our results sometime after the matter in January. By trying to simulate the exam as closely as possible, it helps us prepare for not only the exam but the timeline of the examinations.

How are people finding the exams?

I'm not finding them too bad personally. You get used to the atmosphere and it becomes a pleasant place to work in. We have moved the exam hall to the sports hall permanently after last year which being more modern is a better place to do exams with better lighting and less distractions (even if it can be a bit chilly!).

However, the same cannot be said for the preparation.

Revision has taken over school and home life for the past 3 weeks to prepare. Everything from rewriting notes on key subjects to doing past papers is a challenge. It's hard to juggle it all around extracurricular activities. However, we had a lesson with a company called Elevate to help prepare us. They gave some excellent advice on how often and what methods to use to revise and this has helped me and others to stay on top of revision. Speaking to others, the general mood is that year 11 is coping very well. People have got used to exams – both End of Year Tests in the hall and tests in lesson - over the years and so are not too stressed about the conditions (even if the heating sounds a bit annoying!). Some value the good preparation the mocks give in terms of how a day of exams feel and the independent revision time given to you in lesson helps stay on top of revision. Some pupils are doing the exams in M22 which is a smaller classroom helping students who get extra time stay calm during the exam. I get a sense that year is confident and so will be confident in June as well.

There is a sense of comradery when entering and exiting exams where we talk about some key points as some last-minute revision and upon exiting discuss how we did. There is a group focus on the exams seen across the year group. I agree with many of my classmates that the mocks are helping prepare me for my exams in June.

Overall, I think myself and my year group will overcome this small burden and be fully equipped for the real exams in June.



The following message was also written as a thank you to all the boys at the Harvey for their charitable support.

"To the pupils and staff at the Harvey Grammar School, this card is a way to express our thanks for the support you have showed Macmillan, particularly with £821.95 raised last year following your school tag day. We, as a county, have endured challenges especially for those living with cancer. With the pandemic, we set up our telephone buddy service to ensure everyone with cancer had a friendly voice to reach out to. With your 2021 donation, did you know that could 33 buddy calls. This cost of living crisis is another challenge faced by people living with cancer. Our £350 Macmillan grants are able to assist with the cost of clothing, transport costs, and energy costs to people undergoing treatment. If you with to learn more about Macmillans' cost of living crisis response, feel welcome to read the above message, or to reach out to me. Thank you for going where and help for our cause"

Warmest wishes, Olly Lenkin

HGS MOVEMBER 2022

A massive thank you to everyone who donated to the HGS Movember JustGiving page. Since November 1st, staff and sixth



formers grew their moustaches to raise money for the Movember charity! Pupils have also been learning more about the charity during tutor time and around school. A reminder about the three main areas that Movember looks at:

Mental Health and Suicide Prevention:

Ø Each year approximately 6,000 people commit suicide in the UK

Ø In 2020, 4,639 men took their own life

Ø That means around 74% of all suicides involve men

Ø Suicide is the second biggest cause of death in young males

Prostate Cancer:

Ø Only men have a prostate gland

Ø It is located underneath the bladder and surrounds the urethra

Ø Prostate cancer occurs when the cells reproduce too rapidly resulting in a tumour

Ø The cancer, if left untreated, may spread to lymph nodes and bones

Ø It is the 2nd most common cancer in men and particularly in men over 50

Testicular Cancer:

Ø Testicular cancer is the most common cancer in young men.

Ø Over 2,500 men in the UK were diagnosed with testicular cancer in 2020.

Ø The good news is, survival rates are high if the disease is caught early.

Ø Sadly, many young men think it's an 'old man's' disease and don't take care to check themselves.

We felt it was crucial to educate the pupils in looking after their physical, mental and emotional wellbeing now and in the future. And Movember has been an excellent tool to spread the word to get young men talking. As their slogan says we want to Change the face of men's health. There were 4 ways of helping the Movember cause:

1. Grow a Mo – 17 members of staff took part and grew some outstanding taches!

2. Move for Movember – various pupils and staff, including Mr Castle, completed the 60km walk or run challenge.

3. Host a Mo-ment – a special mention to year 10, Sam G for hosting a cycle ride with friends and local football team mates and raised around $\pounds 600$ for the charity!

4. Donate to Movember - The poster on below shows how well our staff managed to manicure their moustaches and the fantastic amount of money parents, family, colleagues and friends managed to raise.

Thanks again for all your support

MoBro Cowling

Head of PE and Sport



Lizzie, our school dog.





And also sleeping.

A few thoughtful and wise words from our student Eco Council, along with a request for Students and Parents/Carers help in their drive towards a greener world.

Throughout human history we have relied on very basic forms of energy; human muscle, animal muscle and the burning of biomass such as wood or crops. However, things took a turn for possibly the worst in the Industrial Revolution when we began to use a whole new energy resource: fossil fuels. Fossil energy has been a fundamental driver of the technological, social, and economic development which has followed.

As we (students and parents) are aware, the burning of fossil fuels has many negative impacts on the environment. When these fossil fuels are burnt, they produce carbon dioxide and are the largest driver of global climate change. They are also a major contributor to local air pollution, which is estimated to aide millions of premature deaths each year. At the end of this article, I will give two tips to help cut down on Carbon Dioxide emissions at school, one for the students and one for the parents.

It is evident that everyone needs to do their bit at the Harvey to help cut down on Carbon Dioxide emissions, as this will benefit not only the students at the school, but also the local people of Cheriton and Folkestone. During my time at the school, I have been pushing for us to become more eco-friendly, and now that I have reached the Sixth form, I feel just as strongly about combatting global warming as I did in my younger years at the Harvey, and as I am now in a position where I am fortunate enough to have an opportunity to get my message across, I will do so.

One way that the students can help combat climate change, and help slow down global warming, is to simply use a reusable bottle. 86% of plastic water bottles used in the UK either end up in landfill or as litter. Not only will using a reusable bottle be better for the environment, it will also be cheaper. According to a study completed by Friends of the earth charity, the average cost of bottled water is 65p per litre, whereas tap water costs only 0.1p per litre. With this in mind, it is cheaper and better for the environment to get a reusable bottle.

The parents of Harvey boys could help in many ways, but my tip for you today is to simply turn off the engine of your car whenever you are waiting- specifically when you are waiting for your child to finish school. On average, idling used up to ½ gallon of fuel per hour. If you were waiting for your child for, say 15 minutes, every week you'd be costing yourself one pound, and that's just from waiting outside of school. Furthermore, every week you'd emit 554.4 grams of carbon dioxide a week.

So, with all this in mind, I think that it is clear that we all need to be more environmentally conscious and do our bit to help cut down emissions at a local level.

In this age of faster, larger and quieter cars it is imperative that we all help to insure safe roads for our children. A large number of Harvey student walk to school and need to cross Cheriton road directly outside of the school. We have the large yellow zig-zag lines across each side of our entrances, in line with the crossing islands, giving the students a safe, clear crossing. As the risks become greater during the darker winter months, may we respectfully ask that the no stopping rules that come with these lines are adhered to by all.



Sports journalist, RYAN TAYLOR, visits Harvey students!

Written by Tom H

During term 2, year 12 BTEC Sport students and year 12 and 13 English students were lucky enough to be visited by the Daily Express sports journalist, Ryan Taylor.

Ryan was in fact a student at The Harvey Grammar School. In 6th form Ryan achieved his A-levels for BTEC sport, English literature and Media studies where he was taught by some still serving teachers. Mr

Castle taught Ryan BTEC Sport and he attended the infamous America trip while he was here. Mrs Middleton taught Ryan Media, which, alongside English (taught by Mr Dickens), inspired him to become a writer. With his passion for football, Ryan claims that sports journalism felt like the most natural career path to follow.

You may know a few of these people Ryan has spoken to during his career:

- Tyson Fury
- Pep Guardiola
- Nathan Ake
- Eric Chupa-Moting
- Mikel Arteta
- Gabriel Jesus
- Sadio Mane

Fabrizio Romano has even retweeted a few of Ryan's tweets during the transfer window! After achieving these A-levels, Ryan went to the University of Brighton where he graduated with a Sports Journalism degree in 2018. During his time in Brighton, he was fortunate enough to be part of Brighton and Hove Albion's media team which helped him gain experience in the sports industry. He then began working for the Daily express attending football games (Liverpool vs Bayern Munich sticking out in particular for him as he was able to interview Liverpool manager Jurgen Klopp). Ryan is still working for the Daily Express writing about football, but he has also branched out to write about boxing too.

As a BTEC and English student myself, I was heavily interested in this visit and being able to see the life of a sports journalist.

Although it appeared to have its challenges, it looked extremely enjoyable to live the dream of being

able to interview professional boxers and footballers, as well as attend live matches in VIP boxes, which is extraordinary for any sports fan.

This visit was extremely inspiring for all students involved, we all loved having Ryan here. Hopefully he will pay another visit to the school because hearing him talk about his life gave me the desire to follow in his steps.

We all wish good luck to Ryan in his career and hope his success keeps coming!







Rotary Club of Folkestone

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They say teach them young, in this case they are definitely teaching us!

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The young chef competition was such a success! Thank you for coming, because our young chefs showed up and showed out!

Stan was our winning chef: 2nd pic, 1st pic was the winning meal!

It might look too simple, but the judges were impressed with the skills involved. Stanley made his own pasta from scratch, the filling and garnish, and all within the hour allowed. And the taste was excellent.







Your invitation to be a Young Cook



Young people are invited to take part in the south east's Young Cooks cookery competition with the winners receiving a share of £500!

Roll up your sleeves, get stuck in and discover how much fun cooking can be - while learning vital life skills along the way!

Closing date for entries: 31st January 2023



To find out more or enter visit kmcharityteam.co.uk/youngcooks

The Harvey Grammar School Carol Service.

On Monday 12th December the traditional Harvey Carol Service was held at The Church of St Mary & St Eanswythe in Folkestone. As always it was a fantastic experience, including students, staff, governors, parents, family and friends. The music was incredible!



FOOTBALL

<u>U12A</u>

This term has been very successful for the U12 A team. We are unbeaten winning 5 out of 7 games and drawing the other two. We are already putting on brilliant displays and stunning football. The team are working very well together! We had an unbelievable start to the season! The first game was a friendly and we drew 3-3 with Norton Knatchbull. In the second game we played Brockhill in the league, we showed our improvement by winning 6-0. Next, we played Towers in the cup, we won 5-2 with an amazing performance away from home. The next couple of games we showed our dominance, winning comfortably.

We have had some unfortunate injuries though as our goalkeeper, Finley L, has had a bad injury and cannot play at the moment, but we have had Freddie G an amazing goalie step up to the role as the A team goalkeeper. Playing in front of him is an amazing backline with the likes of Oscar D who is a brilliant defender, and nobody can get past him. Playing next to him is Ellis S who is talented fullback and can give us some more attacking threats when he goes forward. On the other side of defence, we have Charlie T a very versatile defender who creates a danger from his long throws.

We have a range of midfielders who are irreplaceable as they have many different qualities from going forward to defending. They create many chances and help the team to score more goals. Deserved credit goes to our top scorer Jack S, who has scored an amazing 8 goals.

Every single player on our team is doing impeccable job and fantastic at supporting each other. We have many different options in our team, and a variety of players to choose from.

We have performed brilliantly in the cup, and we are through to the 5th round after a thrilling game against Dover Christchurch which we won 5-3 AET! (*Report by Sam A*)

<u>U14A</u>

This season there has been some great results, with a 5-0 win against John Wallis and a 3-0 Win against Towers. However, in every good season some losses will come. Sadly, the A team lost three league games, all against strong opponents but by no means necessary did the Harvey play bad. Week in week out the A team continued to put in a shift no matter the score nor opponent.

This season the A team saw what some would say an upgrade, with a completely new coaching style under Mr Castle. Bringing in new players a new formation (4-2-3-1) and new ideas on how to break down our opponents. The whole team worked hard to try to adapt to these tactics as quickly as possible and when they did, we began to shine in all areas of the pitch.

Sadly, the A team couldn't quite master these tactics quick enough as they lost a hard-fought battle in the first round of the cup against Herne Bay high. All players in that team fought till the final whistle but just could not quite finish it off.

Next season I am certain the A-team cannot only do well in the league but also make their way to I hope the final of the cup or even the semis, just like the current B-team did. (Report by Joe H)

<u>U14B</u>

This season for the B team has been a very positive and fun year for all the players involved. Out of the 6 league games we played we won 4 and lost 2 which is good showing considering we were in a league with A teams. The defence this season has been very reliable in keeping goals out with notable performances by George Vickery, Oliver Barnes who saved 3 out of 5 penalties versus the Langton and Sam Lejeune. The midfield was also a dominant part of our team with Will Barnes controlling most games accompanied by Swarnim Tamang. Although we did not score many goals the attack provided when they needed to with Rosh Rahman and George Astridge and Lucas Stanton all getting on the score sheet.

As of now we are in the semi final of the cup ready to play the bishop school in January.

The coaches this year especially helped with good information and knowledge on who we were playing and who to target. Overall, it was a very good year for The B team With most players drifting in and out of the A team it was very good to see we kept a good team chemistry. *(Report by Will K)*

<u>1stXI</u>

The senior boys carried on their great form from Term 1 once we returned in November, with great results against last season's White Cup winners Dane Court, local rivals Dover Grammar as well as against league leaders (& probable winners) Norton Knatchbull. Special mentions to Max F in midfield, Isaac E at the back & Marlow T who has played alla cross the middle of the pitch. As is always the aim when it comes to the U19s season, playing beyond Christmas is a great indicator of the success the side has had. This being the case this year with the cup season properly getting going in January. Hopefully we can go one step further compared to last year's extra-time final defeat.

Personally, it has been a great term for Matt C, Jacob C-W, Isaac E & Marlow T who represented (& did themselves & the school proud) Kent Schools FA in the first leg of the local rivalry game against Essex SFA. *(Report by Mr Walton)*

As we come to the end of the second term of football, Beau M (Yr8) sits atop the Golden Boot standings with 16 goals. Arthur C (Yr10 – 11), Jack S (Yr7 – 9), Lucas S (Yr9 – 4) & Callum W (Yr11 – 7) are the top scorers in their age groups.

X-COUNTRY

DISTRICT CHAMPIONSHIPS

Another very successful year at the Ashford and Folkestone cross country competition held at Brockhill Country Park in November. With the Harvey competing in all 3 age groups we stood a good chance of doing very well.

In the Year 7 age group the team were beaten into second position by a strong Norton Knatchbull squad who had three out of four of their team in the top ten. Oscar D came a very good 7th and Jake P 10th, Jack L 18th and Marcus B 23rd but this was a very inexperienced team.

The Year 9 team went one better and came 1st overall, which was fantastic especially with only 5 out of the 6 pupils available due to illness. The real highlight was Jasper C coming 2nd in a field comprising mostly of Year 9's! Ryan S came 4th, Will B 11th and Nico P 15th to secure top spot overall for the school. The points system is calculated on least points, with the Harvey finishing on 17 points and Norton Knatchbull on 19. A very close contest so well done the Harvey pupils.

Finally, the Year 10/11 competition saw a very strong Norton Knatchbull, coming first overall but the Harvey finished a respectable second again. Reuben M came a very respectable 4th, Jay L-J 15th and Toby G 16th.

This meant we came second, first and second overall which is fantastic. Well done to all the competitors involved in a hard, hilly and very muddy course.

VOLLEYBALL



Back in business

December 2022

Coach Hincker



After the summer volleyball drought, the team was keen to start training again in September! All players returned happily to the court and the team regrouped albeit having lost outside Jonny and middle Harrison C to new pastures, respectively Sweden and Colchester FC! A friendly to start off the season against training partner Simon Langton helped the players shake off the rustiness before a couple of weeks of grueling conditioning and technique practice. Time for the first proper match against Highworth which saw the team celebrate their first win of the season in front

of younger fans having travelled along to watch the seniors play. This game was crucial for the team to confirm their new defensive rotations and for players to establish themselves in new roles with Clark now playing outside and Elliot hitting through the pike in back court. This was also the opportunity for setters to practice playing opposite as with a smaller squad this year more rotation will be needed at the opposite position.

Fast forward to Saturday the 26th of November to the eagerly awaited first Junior National Grand Prix hosted by Ashcombe VC in Dorking. First big meet of the season saw the team rewarded with a win, a loss and a draw! Not a bad start at all! The first game against Worthing Panthers



against Worthing Panthers boosted their confidence where calm and confident, they got into their game quickly to take both sets home with impressive blocking from middle Kavya, new to the Grand



Kavya, new to the Grand Prix this year and attacks from newly appointed outside Clark. Whilst the HGS! HGS! chant was timid to start, spurred on by Coach Hincker and the sub bench, the team grew in confidence cheering each other on, pleased by this first win!

A short respite whilst refereeing the following game allowed for snacks and drinks to be had before the next back-to-back games in a tightly scheduled day! Up against Urbond VC whom we had never played before, the boys held their own in a difficult first set against a strong attack from Portsmouth finishing the first set just 5 points shy of 25. Strong defensive performances by Long and Davis saw the team stay in the running. As Harvey upped their game in the second set putting good pressure on Portsmouth through middle Emman, the cracks started to show in our opponents who let their frustrations get the best of them.



Reprimanded by the referee several times, which caused quite a bit of stoppage in the game, Urbond VC didn't manage to strengthen their lead on HGS who stayed hot on their heels thanks to excellent serving by Girwaan and attacks from Elliot and Emman. A very anti climatic end to this game due to the clock having ran out saw both teams disappointed not to be able to finish this game, which was definitely the game of the day!



Flustered by the abrupt end to their second game and the quick turnover time into their third and last game, the team struggled to regroup in the first set of the ultimate game conceding 13-25 to New Forest (fresh from a two-match rest) in the first set. Led by Captain Harrison supporting the team both as setter and opposite, the team came back to life pushing through the fatigue in set 2 with excellent serving and receiving by Joe winning the second set 25-18. Pleased to end their day on a draw after a win and a loss, the boys stayed in good spirits aware that both good and bad is to be drawn from this first Grand Prix and knowing now what to work on at training to come back stronger in the second Grand Prix just around the corner on the 14th of January!



Match scores 🔘

HGS v Worthing Panthers (25-17 / 25 - 17) HGS v Urbond Portsmouth (20-25 / 5 - 10) HGS v New Forest (13-25 / 25 - 18)

MVPs 🗑

Elliot A & Emman V

Special Thanks 🔬

to Mr Maull, Clark & Emmanuel's dads for the lifts!

OTHER SUCCESSES

Doug T (Yr9) competed in the GHS National Time Trial Championship in Yorkshire coming 3rd in his age group having won overall the South East regional heat earlier in the year. He completed the 10 mile course in 24.50 which was exactly 1 minute slower than his target due in part to heavy traffic on the course (his target time would have still put him 3rd).

The event is a fairly prestigious cycling event having been won in the past by the likes of Alex Dowsett and Chris Boardman and attracts riders from all over the UK.

Doug's brother William (Yr11) won The Jura in Eastern France earlier this year, meaning he returned home as the Junior World Champion!



Nico P & Jasper C (both in Yr8) took part in the KCAA cross-country league this autumn. This Saturday the meet was at Somerhill School. Jasper flew round & completed the 3km course in 11:12. Nico came in just over a minute later at 12:15.



Congratulations to Jimmy H (Yr11) & Harrison C (Yr12) who have this term been awarded scholarship football contracts at Gillingham & Colchester United. Both boys will spend the next 2 years at their respective clubs training & playing other academies.

Harvey Grammar School Sportsman of the Term



Jasper C (Yr8) & Oscar D (Yr7) Highest placed runners in the District X-Country competition.



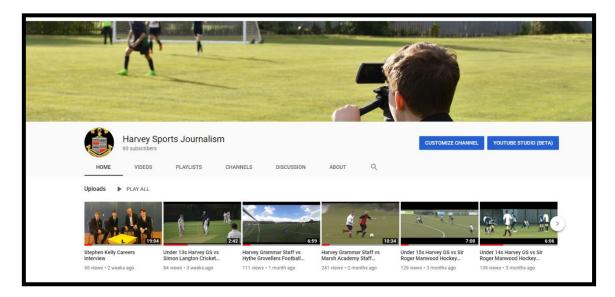


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YOUTUBE CHANNEL

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: <u>https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCLANYR9jnLDPet7OaPDa14w</u>?



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