



Harlington Upper School

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HARLINGTON UPPER SCHOOL WEEKLY UPDATE – 12th May 2017

New information is presented in blue font.

Previous email updates are available on our website.

We currently have the following vacancy:

- Cover Manager
- Learning Supervisor
- DT Technician
- Administration Assistant
- Midday Supervisory Assistant

More information can be found on the school website at www.harlington.org/vacancies or email mboyle@harlington.org

WHOLE SCHOOL INFORMATION

Safeguarding Advice For Parents

Online safety - Our children spend a huge amount of time online either working, listening to music, playing games or communicating via social media sites. It is really hard for parents and teachers to keep up with the sites and apps they are using and to provide adequate supervision. I have come across a resource which you might find helpful regarding a range of online issues as well as safeguarding. Please have a look: <https://www.getsafeonline.org/safeguarding-children/the-best-approach/>

Blue Whale - You may well have seen news and social media posts about 'Blue Whale', the posts urge you to share to protect young people from a viral suicide game. <https://www.thesun.co.uk/tech/3003805/blue-whale-suicide-game-online-russia-victims/>. The 'Blue Whale' story is a hoax, or fake news, something which is permeating almost every news area recently. <http://www.netfamilynews.org/blue-whale-game-fake-news-teensspread-internationally>. Please reassure your children about this.

Thirteen Reasons Why - Thirteen Reasons Why is a controversial film aimed at older teenagers on the popular streaming service, Netflix. Launched recently, it is based on a book by Jay Asher published in 2007. The story concerns a high-school student who takes her own life and has left 13 cassette tapes she has recorded explaining why. The film has become controversial because of its explicit portrayal of the character's death and that this could lead to other similar deaths. In the UK there are strict guidelines about suicide in drama, but Netflix operates outside those rules. Please be aware that teenagers in the UK have been watching this and using social media to discuss it which raises concerns for their emotional well-being. As ever, if you have any concerns regarding your child's health and/or welfare, please do not hesitate to contact the school. gbillin@harlington.org

Fidget Spinners - Please be aware that from Wednesday this week, Fidget Spinners were not allowed in school and will be confiscated from this date forwards. They are causing disruption in lessons and in some cases, have led to damage of school property. Some students who have specific learning needs require the use of a fiddle toy within lessons to aid their concentration, but this is only in place where it has been agreed by myself as Special

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Educational Needs Co-ordinator. The student will then be provided with a school approved item which is issued through the Learning Support Department.
 Fidget spinners or items not approved by the school will be confiscated.
 Thank you for your support in this matter. rdawson@harlington.org

Textiles Department - Our Year 13 Fashion and Clothing students, are putting on a Fashion Show on Thursday 18th May, featuring GCSE and Year 10 work also. The evening starts at 6.30pm so please do come along to support our students, if you can. Many thanks. groberts@harlington.org

Art Department – The Art Department are holding a GCSE Art Exhibition Evening, Thursday 18th May 2017, 5-7 pm. Please come and see the excellent artwork on display! jharris@harlington.org

Apollo House Raffle - Apollo are having a raffle (£1:00 for a strip of tickets) for a Luton Town Football Club signed shirt! Parents are invited to enter the raffle to help raise money for Keech Hospice Care in Luton. This is our last fund raising effort for this year and we really want to raise as much money as possible for this worthy cause.
 Please contact Mrs Pitroda, Mrs Clarke or Mrs Harris for the purchase of tickets.
dpitroda@harlington.org or call 01525 755100.

YEAR 11

English Language & Literature – Revision sessions for Year 11 students are running from 3.15-4.15pm on Tuesdays. There will be two sessions each week, one has a Language focus and the other a Literature focus. There are also opportunities for students to complete exam practice for each exam paper. All students are welcome. They should meet in E2 to be directed to the appropriate classroom. mmclaughlin@harlington.org

Date	English Language	English Literature
16 th May	Paper 2 Question 5 – Writing to argue (Planning)	Modern Text – planning a response
23 rd May	Paper 2 Question 5 – Writing to argue Devices	Modern Text – language analysis

Exam dates for English Language and English Literature are as follows:

English Literature

22nd May 2017 – Shakespeare and the 19th Century novel

26th May 2017 – Modern texts and poetry

English Language

6th June 2017 – Explorations in creative reading and writing

12th June 2017 – Writers' viewpoints and perspectives

Media Studies: Revision Sessions for GCSE Media Studies are running on Wednesdays from 3.15-4.15pm. Students who wish to attend should arrive at E6 for a prompt start.
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GCSE Media	
Date	Focus
17 th May	Mock Examination
24 th May	Free Choice

SIXTH FORM

AS Maths Revision - AS Maths Exams are on the following dates:

C1: 17th May

C2: 24th May

S1: 7th June

FP1: 19th May

The day before each exam, the Maths Department will be running revision sessions. Details will be given to students in lessons on Monday.

Core 1: 16th May - Periods 3, 4 and 5

Core 2: 23rd May - all Periods

FP1: 18th May - Periods 1 and 5

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Thursday 18th May 2017	Y13 Fashion Show 6.30pm onwards
Thursday 18th May 2017	Y11 GCSE Art Exhibition 5.00 – 7.00pm
Wednesday 24th May 2017	Y10 Brilliant Club Graduation, London 8.00am – 5.00pm
Wednesday 24th May 2017	Y10 GCSE Ensemble Evening 3.00 – 5.00pm
Thursday 25th May 2017	Y13 Leave
Friday 26th May 2017	Y11 Leave
Friday 26th May 2017	Y13 Study Leave starts
Monday 29th May 2017	Bank Holiday
Tuesday 30th May – Friday 2nd June 2017	Half Term
Monday 5th June 2017	Y11 Study Leave starts
Tuesday 6th June 2017	Y10 DT Trip to the Design Museum, London
Thursday 8th June 2017	Parents Forum 6.00 – 7.00pm
Thursday 15th June 2017	SEN Forum Night 6.30 – 8.00pm

A watercolor portrait of a young woman with light brown hair, looking slightly to the right. The background is a soft, colorful wash of pink, orange, and blue. The text is overlaid on the top and bottom of the image.

HARLINGTON UPPER SCHOOL GCSE ART EXHIBITION

THURSDAY 18TH MAY
5-7PM

HUS Fashion Show

Thursday 18th May

FREE ENTRY

MODELS

If you are available on the evening and would be willing to model, please see Mrs Roberts in the T3 office to let us know

SHOWCASING

Work by Year 13 Fashion and Clothing students along with GCSE work and Year 10

