



# Harlington Upper School

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## HARLINGTON UPPER SCHOOL WEEKLY UPDATE – 21st April 2017

New information is presented in blue font.

Previous email updates are available on our website.

### We currently have the following vacancy:

- **Midday Supervisory Assistant**

More information can be found on the school website at [www.harlington.org/vacancies](http://www.harlington.org/vacancies) or email [mboyle@harlington.org](mailto:mboyle@harlington.org)

## WHOLE SCHOOL INFORMATION

### Restructuring Process Feedback

In February all parents were given information about a restructuring process required because of a financial pressure including a reduction from the DfE Education Services Grant and additional unavoidable employer National Insurance and pension costs. We have now completed the consultation on the proposal. The final decisions on staffing will not be made until end of May. However, it is possible to give an update on the process so far.

Firstly, it can be confirmed that the school will have all the necessary teachers and support staff required to maintain the school curriculum and teach every subject. Also, a decision has been made to move from a house-based pastoral system to a year-based system. We will still maintain our six houses and students will continue to be in a tutor group linked to a house. Our well-established House activities will continue. However, tutor groups will be organised on a year group basis looked after by a Head of Year. The new Heads of Year will be our current team of experienced House Leaders, who will simply move to managing a year group rather than a house. There are several key advantages and opportunities presented by this change which will be shared with parents over the next few weeks. Year 11 students have already been informed and all other students will be told in assembly next week.

Overall, I am confident that this will allow us to support students very effectively, maintain our high standards and at the same time ensure that we make the most efficient use of our resources. More specific details will be emails to parents soon. Shawn Fell, Headteacher, [sfell@harlington.org](mailto:sfell@harlington.org)

### Harlington Upper School Careers Fair is upon us!

All students and their families are invited to the Harlington Upper School, Bi Annual Careers Fair on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> April 5-8pm.

We have some new and exciting companies, so please take advantage of this in-school function. This is a **whole school event** and not for any one year group, as the companies coming in offer future opportunities for all ages from apprenticeships at 16 to Graduate Programmes after a Degree, as well as opportunities for work experience and insight days.

### Getting the Most Out of a Careers Fair – for Students

- Consider bringing a CV to leave with an organisation you are most interested in making contact with.
- Prepare a 20 second introduction
- Prepare questions that you would like the answers to prior to attending
- Examples include:

website: [www.harlington.org](http://www.harlington.org)  
e-mail: [enquiries@harlington.org](mailto:enquiries@harlington.org)

- What skills do you most value?
- What kind of person are you seeking?
- What do you like about working for your organisation?
- Do you offer continuing professional development?

For the Universities and Colleges you may like to ask about the destinations of last year's leavers to give you an insight into progression routes and identify entry requirements.

### **Opportunities Available**

We have collated information from our exhibitors on what they have on offer. This will be available on the night. Please see the document on our website (<http://www.harlington.org/careers>) which can help you to make a focused approach to the companies/education providers on the night. This is your chance to make an impression – you may be speaking to your future employer!

We look forward to seeing you on the night. [jbayes@harlington.org](mailto:jbayes@harlington.org) & [wsears@harlington.org](mailto:wsears@harlington.org)

**Drama** - Here is the Drama Exam Calendar for 2017. If your son/daughter is taking GCSE then this information will be useful in planning ahead.

**Year 11: GCSE Unit 3 Drama Exam Evenings – Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May, Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> and Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May 2017** - Parents have the opportunity of watching the pieces the week before the exam on the above dates. The exam evenings start at 6.00pm in the Theatre. (Free admission)

**Year 11: GCSE Unit 3 Drama Exam – Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup>, Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> and Friday 12<sup>th</sup> May 2017** - The Year 11 Drama exams have been confirmed with the visiting examiner and will take place on the above dates. The students are examined on one day only. Unit 3 is worth 40% of their GCSE. (Not open to the public).

**Year 10: GCSE Component 1 Drama Exam Days – Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> May, Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> May and Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2017** - The Year 10 Drama exams have been confirmed and will take place on the above dates. The students are examined on one day only. Component 1 is worth 40% of their GCSE. (Not open to the public).

Any queries please contact [cmaiello@harlington.org](mailto:cmaiello@harlington.org)

## **YEAR10**

**Vaccinations** - DTP – Men ACWY vaccinations – A catch-up session will be held on **10th May** for those Year 10 students who were not vaccinated against DTP and Men ACWY last term. Emails will be sent home to these students nearer the time. If you did not complete a consent form, copies are available on our website under the Parents Information/Letters, Forms and Information page. Please return any Consent Forms to HUS Main Office. Thank you. [jcarrington@harlington.org](mailto:jcarrington@harlington.org)

## **YEAR 11**

**After School History Revision Sessions** - Mr Craze will be running after school revision sessions for Year 11 students every Thursday from 3.10-4.00pm in H4. These sessions will be led by the needs of the students to help clarify topics and to show them how to apply their learning to likely exam questions. *Mr Craze will assume that students who attend these sessions have already conducted revision and will come to sessions with questions that have arisen from their revision.*

Mrs Stocker will be running History Revision on Tuesdays H2, 3.15-4.00pm focusing on Medicine and Public Health.

All Year 11 students taking GCSE History are welcome to attend. [rcraze@harlington.org](mailto:rcraze@harlington.org)

**Year 11 Prom** – If your son/daughter would like to attend this event, please return the reply slip by 27th April 2017. Details of how to pay can be found in the letter on our website under Parents Information/Letters and Forms/Year 11 Prom. [zsmith@harlington.org](mailto:zsmith@harlington.org)

**Maths After School Sessions** - The Maths department will now be changing the structure of the Year 11 Wednesday after school sessions. Rather than taught sessions, students who attend will be expected to either work through practice papers or bring along other topics or questions that they need to work on. Students can either bring along their own papers or questions or we will have a supply that they can choose from. There will be the same members of staff available to support students as there currently are, but we feel this approach will be more beneficial to students in the final run up to exams. This will take place every Wednesday from 3.10-4.10pm and all Year 11 students are welcome to attend. [acooper@harlington.org](mailto:acooper@harlington.org)

**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](mailto:mmclaughlin@harlington.org)

Date	English Language	English Literature
25 <sup>th</sup> April	Paper 2 Question 2 – Summarise	A Christmas Carol – extract analysis
2 <sup>nd</sup> May	Paper 2 Question 4 – Comparison	A Christmas Carol – wider links
9 <sup>th</sup> May	<b>After School Mock English Literature Paper 1 – Christmas Carol and Shakespeare</b>	
16 <sup>th</sup> May	Paper 2 Question 5 – Writing to argue (Planning)	Modern Text – planning a response
23 <sup>rd</sup> 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

22<sup>nd</sup> May 2017 – Shakespeare and the 19<sup>th</sup> Century novel

26<sup>th</sup> May 2017 – Modern texts and poetry

English Language

6<sup>th</sup> June 2017 – Explorations in creative reading and writing

12<sup>th</sup> 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. [ichapman@harlington.org](mailto:ichapman@harlington.org)

<b>GCSE Media</b>		
Date	Focus	
26 <sup>th</sup> April	Question 1 – Applying your Case Study	
3 <sup>rd</sup> May	Creative Questions	
10 <sup>th</sup> May	Free Choice	
17 <sup>th</sup> May	<b>Mock Examination</b>	
24 <sup>th</sup> May	Free Choice	

## SIXTH FORM

**History Department** – Year 13 History Revision will take place with Mrs Stocker on Wednesdays in H3, 3.15-4.00pm. [kstocker@harlington.org](mailto:kstocker@harlington.org)

## OTHER INFORMATION

**Policies** – the following policies have been reviewed and can be found with our other policies on the school website <http://www.harlington.org/policies--guidance>

Data Protection  
Sex and Relationships Education  
Exams  
Attendance

**Vacancy** – Chalton Lower School have a vacancy from September for a KS1 or 2 Teacher. Further information and an application pack are available from their website [www.chaltonlower.co.uk](http://www.chaltonlower.co.uk)

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 24th April 2017	CEIAG Careers Fair, 5.00 – 8.00pm
Tuesday 25th April 2017	Y10 Geography Field Trip
Tuesday 25th April – Friday 28th April 2017	Y12/13 AS & A2 Language Speaking Exams
Tuesday 25th April 2017	Y8 New Intake Evening (Arnold Academy & Robert Bloomfield) 7.00 – 7.40pm
Wednesday 26th April 2017	Y8 New Intake Evening (Parkfields Middle & Others) 7.00 – 7.40pm
Thursday 27th April 2017	Y10 Parents' Evening 4.00 – 8.00pm
Saturday 29th April 2017	Y12 Red Cross Charity Dance Event, Hants
<b>Monday 1st May 2017</b>	<b>Bank Holiday</b>
Wednesday 3rd May – Friday 5th May 2017	Y11 Drama Evening 6.00pm Theatre
Wednesday 3rd May 2017	Y10 Revision sessions Period 1 & 2 Theatre
Sunday 7th May – Saturday 12th May 2017	Y9 Blue Peris Trip
Monday 8th May 2017	Y10 Revision Sessions Period 3 & 4 Theatre
Wednesday 10th May – Friday 12th May 2017	Y11 Unit 3 Drama Exams
Thursday 18th May 2017	Y13 Fashion Show
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
<b>Monday 29th May 2017</b>	<b>Bank Holiday</b>
<b>Tuesday 30th May – Friday 2nd June 2017</b>	<b>Half Term</b>



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# **CAREERS FAIR**



**24<sup>th</sup> April 2017**

**5pm – 8pm**

**Harlington Upper School,  
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***Come along and gain insight and inspiration  
from Industry experts***