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PARENT & CARER NEWSLETTER



KEY DATES & EVENTS

**Monday 4th May - BANK HOLIDAY
- SCHOOL CLOSED**

**Thursday 7th May -
Year 7 Parents Evening**

**Monday 25th May - Friday 29th
May - Half Term**

MESSAGE FROM OUR HEAD OF ACADEMY

Written by Mrs L. Macey

What a lovely week we have had weather wise, this has certainly brightened spirits around our academy.

The estate upgrades continue and I am happy to inform you that the foyer is looking wonderful.

We introduced line ups after break and lunch for all key stage 3 students to further improve the calm corridors arounds our academy and this has led to a very positive impact.

The new maths building is proving a huge success with both students and staff. One student this week commented that it felt like being in a private school in the new building.

This weekend 44 of our Year 11 cohort are going to Shrewsbury for revision booster sessions as we rapidly move forwards toward the examinations. I hope you all have time to enjoy the sunshine this weekend!





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ATTENDANCE

This week sees the start of our 100% rewards for attendance and positive behaviour! If your child attends every day or receives 50+ positive points they will get a raffle ticket into our half termly mystery prize draw. Every week is a fresh start, with everyone able to earn tickets every week. You've got to be in it to win it!

Remember that the attendance team can be contacted at PHA-Attendance@attrust.org.uk

Further attendance information can be found on our website: [Attendance - Pool Hayes Academy](#)

See our new attendance section on the next page of this newsletter for more!

LATEST LETTERS

Please click on the link below to view our latest letters sent home.

[Letters - Home Page](#)



KEY CONTACTS

Please click on the link below to view contact details for our key academy staff.

[Key Staff - Contact Details](#)



SPORTS UPDATE

A reminder that PE kit needs to be brought for every lesson.



PE extra-curricular clubs:

- Tuesday - Football and Fitness
- Wednesday - Basketball and Fitness
- Thursday - Netball, Fitness and Badminton

STAFF SHOUT OUTS

A big well done to Florence in Year 11 who has passed her Grade 1 Music Theory Exam with Distinction!

A big well done also to Emily in Year 7 who has passed her Grade 1 Flute exam with distinction. Emily is also currently working towards her grade 4 piano exam.

The Music Department are very proud of both of their achievements.



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SAFEGUARDING



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HELPLINE CONTACTS FOR STUDENTS



YoungMinds – www.youngminds.org.uk (Mental Health Support)

Childline - 0800 1111 OR www.childline.org

Kooth – “Need to talk” online support www.kooth.com
(online support and counselling)

Frank – Call 03001236600 OR www.talktofrank.com
(Support for substance misuse)

Samaritans – Call 116 123

Kaleidoscope Group – www.kaleidoscopeplus.org.uk
(Supporting Mental Health)

St Giles Hospice – www.stgileshospice.com/phoenix
(Supporting with bereavement)

Chat Health – www.healthforteens.co.uk
(General concerns around health & wellbeing)



ASKING
— for —
HELP
is OK

IMPORTANT REMINDER:

As part of our ‘Not Seen, Not Heard’ mobile phone policy, any confiscated phones must be collected by parents/carers **after school only**. Please note, break and lunchtime collections aren’t possible due to safeguarding and staffing commitments. We appreciate your understanding.





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POWER UP NOTIFICATIONS

A new Sparx Power Up will be available from:

- Maths = Friday at 8am - Deadline Wednesday at 9pm
- Reader = Friday at 8am - Deadline Thursday at 9pm
- Science = Wednesday at 12pm - Deadline Tuesday at 10pm

[Click here to go to Sparx Learning](#)

A new Seneca Power Up (all Key Stages) will be set **every Monday**.

[Click here to go to Seneca](#)

Languagenut is set once a week.

[Click here to go to Languagenut](#)

STUDENT SUCCESS

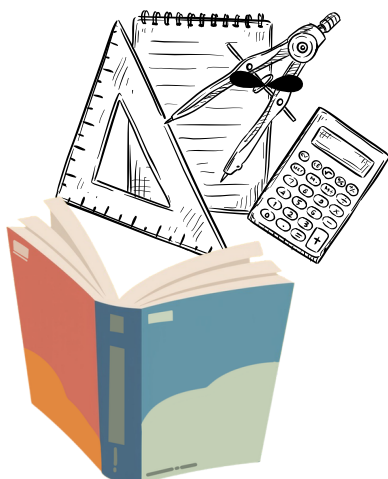
Our students have had a #PHAntastic week at school and have earned lots of positive points. As a school they have achieved **1,268,566 positive points!** The year group with the most points this week was **Year 8** who managed to achieve **9449 points**. **10V2** are this week's form leaders and together as a team they racked up **1,373!** A massive congratulations to our students!

Students have also been working hard to complete their Sparx Power Ups. So far as a school this year we have read for **3610 hours** and read **3,177 different books!** In Maths we have answered **754,589 questions!** In Science we have answered **290,389 questions!**

On Languagenut student have earned an impressive **59,400 points** this month!

Congratulations! Amazing work and effort to our students!!

This week's Power Ups are available on Sparx now.





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INTERVENTION TIMETABLE

WEEK A

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
|---------|---------|-----------|-----------------------|---------|
| MyTutor | English | Spanish | Maths & Further Maths | MyTutor |

WEEK B

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
|---------|-------------------|------------|----------|---------|
| MyTutor | Open Bucket /BTEC | Humanities | Science | MyTutor |



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Empowering Through Success



Lunchtime

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
|--------------------------|-------------|--------------------|-------------|-------------|
| The Library | The Library | The Library | The Library | The Library |
| Badminton | Badminton | Badminton | Badminton | |
| Basketball | Basketball | Basketball | Basketball | |
| Science club | Chess Club | Music Club | | |
| Drama Ambassador Meeting | | Dance Club | | |
| | | Science club | | |
| | | Senior Vocal Group | | |
| | | PHA1 Club (Week B) | | |

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After School

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
|------------------------|---|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Mytutor (Year 11 only) | Football - until 4:30pm | Basketball - until 4:30pm | Badminton - until 4:30pm | Mytutor (Year 11 only) |
| | Fitness Centre - until 4:30pm | Fitness Centre - until 4:30pm | Netball - until 4:30pm | Drama Rehearsals - until 4pm |
| | KS4 Dance Club - until 4:30pm (after Oct half term) | The Library - until 4pm | Fitness Centre - until 4:30pm | Musical rehearsals |
| | The Library - until 4pm | Science STEM Club - until 4:15pm | Junior Choir - until 4:15pm | Year 11 Music Club |
| | Art and Craft Club - until 4:30pm | Year 11 Music Club | The Library - until 4pm | |
| | Year 11 Music Club | Musical rehearsals | Year 11 Music Club | |

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PROTECT YOUR PEACE



Phones constantly trigger your stress response. A phone-free day = less drama, less pressure, more time, more success.




MOBILE PHONES
'NOT SEEN, NOT HEARD'
FOR THE ENTIRE DURATION OF THE ACADEMY DAY, INCLUDING BREAK/LUNCH TIMES.




TAKE A BREAK FROM THE CONSTANT PRESSURE TO RESPOND. NO BLUE TICKS. NO GROUP CHAT EXPECTATIONS. NO OVERTHINKING MESSAGES.

JUST YOUR TIME IN SCHOOL



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WE'RE KEEPING YOU SAFE

STATISTICS SHOW MOST SAFEGUARDING INCIDENTS IN SCHOOL START WITH A PHONE.



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YOUR IMAGINATION SWITCHES ON WHEN YOUR PHONE SWITCHES OFF



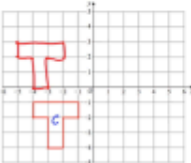
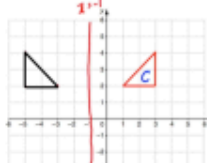
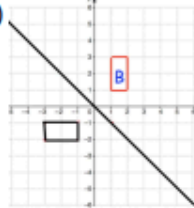

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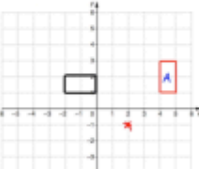

GCSE MATHS FOUNDATION

27-21 DAYS TO GO ANSWERS

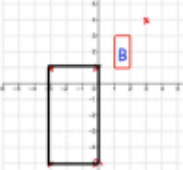
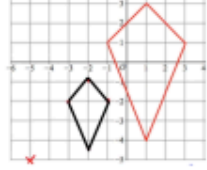
27 Days to Go: Translations, Reflections

- (1)  (3)  (4) 
- (2) Translation by $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -6 \end{pmatrix}$ (5) Reflection in mirror line $y = 1.5$

26 Days to Go: Rotations

- (1)  (2)  (3) 90° anticlockwise rotation about (1, 1)

25 Days to Go: Enlargements

- (1)  (3) 
- (2) Enlargement - scale factor 2 with centre (7, 6)
(4) Enlargement - scale factor $\frac{1}{3}$ with centre (-1, -2)

24 Days to Go: Area of Circles/Sectors

- (1) 254.47cm^2 (2) 153.94cm^2 (or $49\pi\text{cm}^2$) (3) 56.55cm^2
(4) 254.47cm^2 (5) 856.084cm^2 (6) 81.68cm^2

23 Days to Go: Trigonometry

- (1) 48.59° (2) 63.61° (3) 8.66km (4) 4.7cm (5) 8.77cm
(6) DC = 6.894cm Area = 39.885cm^2

22 Days to Go: Volume

- (1) 1088cm^3 (2) 25cm (3) $40\pi\text{cm}^3$ (4) 6cm (5) 98 mins
(6) 320cm^3 (7) $168\pi\text{cm}^3$ (or 527.79cm^3) (8) 11494.04cm^3
(9) 179.594m^3 (10) $288\pi\text{cm}^3$

21 Days to Go: Surface Area

- (1) 262cm^2 (2) 376cm^2 (3) 156cm^2 (4) 345.575m^2
(5) 1011.59cm^2 (6) 1017.87cm^2 (7) 314.16cm^2 (8) 320.44cm^2



GCSE MATHS HIGHER

27-21 DAYS TO GO ANSWERS

27 Days to Go: Algebraic Proof

$$(1) \begin{aligned} (n+10)^2 &= n^2 + 20n + 100 \\ (n+5)^2 &= n^2 + 10n + 25 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (n+10)^2 - (n+5)^2 &= 10n + 75 \\ &= 5(2n + 15) \end{aligned}$$

∴ a multiple of 5

$$(3) \begin{aligned} (2n+1) + (2n+3) + (2n+5) + (2n+7) &= 8n + 16 \\ &= 8(n+2) \\ &\therefore \text{a multiple of 8} \end{aligned}$$

$$(2) \begin{aligned} (5n+2)^2 &= 25n^2 + 20n + 4 \\ (5n-1)^2 &= 25n^2 - 10n + 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (5n+2)^2 - (5n-1)^2 &= 30n + 3 \\ &= 3(10n + 1) \end{aligned}$$

∴ a multiple of 3

$$(4) \begin{aligned} 2n + (2n+2) + (2n+4) &= 6n + 6 \\ &= 3(2n + 2) \\ &\therefore \text{divisible by 3} \end{aligned}$$

26 Days to Go: Equation of a Tangent

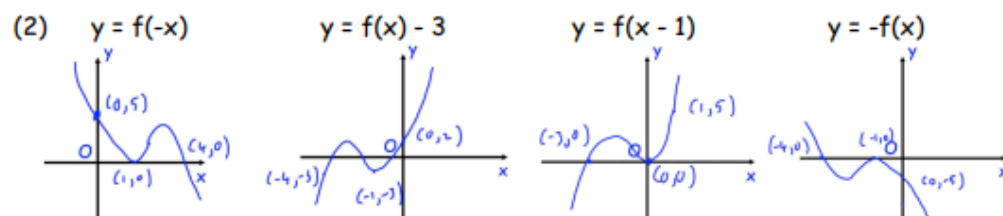
$$(1) m = 3 \quad m = -\frac{1}{3} \quad y = -\frac{1}{3}x + 6\frac{2}{3} \quad (2) y = 2.5x + 14.5$$

25 Days to Go: Trigonometric Graphs

$$(1) A = (90, 0) \quad B = (180, -1) \quad (2) \text{Graph 3 } (y = \sin x) \quad \text{Graph 2 } (y = \cos x) \\ \text{Graph 1 } (y = \tan x)$$

24 Days to Go: Transforming Graphs

$$(1) \begin{aligned} y = -f(x) &\rightarrow (5, -2) & y = f(-x) &\rightarrow (-5, 2) & y = f(x) + 3 &\rightarrow (5, 5) \\ y = f(x+1) &\rightarrow (4, 2) & y = f(x) - 2 &\rightarrow (5, 0) & y = f(x-3) &\rightarrow (8, 2) \end{aligned}$$



23 Days to Go: Iteration

$$(1) x_1 = 4.5 \quad x_2 = 4.555... \quad x_3 = 4.560975...$$

$$(2) x_1 = 0.333... \quad x_2 = 0.296296... \quad x_3 = 0.30406...$$

Increasingly accurate approximations to a solution of $x^2 + 3x - 1 = 0$

$$(3) 5x - x^2 - 2 = 0 \quad \text{for } 5x - x^2 - 2 \text{ there is a change in sign between } x = 0 \text{ and } x = 1 \\ x_1 = 1.7320... \quad x_2 = 2.5807... \quad x_3 = 3.30208...$$