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PARENT & CARER NEWSLETTER



KEY DATES & EVENTS

Half Term:

Monday 25th May - Friday 29th
May

All Students Return:

Monday 1st June

MESSAGE FROM OUR HEAD OF ACADEMY

Written by Mrs L. Macey

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support and partnership with our academy community. Your encouragement and involvement play a vital role in helping our students thrive both academically and personally.

This week, we were pleased to host a very positive SEND coffee morning on Thursday, which provided an excellent opportunity for families to meet with staff, share experiences, and discuss the support available for our students. We greatly value these opportunities to strengthen communication and collaboration with parents and carers.

On Thursday evening, we were also delighted to welcome parents and carers of our new Year 7 cohort into our academy. The event gave families the chance to meet key members of staff from our Attendance, Safeguarding, and SEND teams,

helping to ensure a smooth and supportive transition into secondary school.

As always, we remain committed to providing a safe, nurturing, and inspiring environment where every child can achieve their full potential. We are proud of the progress our students continue to make and appreciate the dedication shown by our staff, students, and families alike.

Thank you once again for your ongoing support. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us.



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ATTENDANCE

Year 7 and Year 10 are neck and neck in our whole year group attendance improvement - can the other years catch up? Remember, the most improved year group will have a whole year reward on the final day of half term - every child matters!

Our students are hard at work earning their 100% attendance and positive points raffle tickets - the draw will be made on Friday 25th May - you've got to be in it to win it!

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

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

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

A huge congratulations to our Year 8 girls cricket team, who achieved their very first win this week! After a year of showing outstanding resilience, determination, and team spirit, all of their hard work finally paid off in the best possible way.

The girls represented the school brilliantly and should be incredibly proud of what they achieved. Their smiles in the picture say it all!





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FOOTBALL LEAGUE CHAMPIONS

Our Year 11 boys football team is celebrating a remarkable achievement following their 5–2 victory over Barr Beacon last Friday, securing them the title of league winners in style! This triumph is the culmination of five years of incredible commitment to representing Pool Hayes Academy. The players have consistently demonstrated pride in wearing the school colours, dedicating themselves to training, matches and continuous improvement throughout their time at the academy.

Over the past two years in particular, the team's achievements have been nothing short of outstanding. They have secured back-to-back league titles, showcasing their consistency and high standards across multiple seasons. In addition, their success extends beyond league competition, having finished as back-to-back runners-up in the West Midlands Cup, narrowly missing out on the top spot but proving themselves among the very best teams in the region. Their success on the national stage is equally impressive. Reaching Round 6 and Round 7 of the National Cup highlights the team's ability to compete at an elite level, demonstrating resilience, talent and determination against some of the strongest opposition in the country.

We are immensely proud of everything the Year 11 boys have achieved. They have set an exceptional standard for future teams and leave behind a legacy of commitment, sportsmanship and excellence. Congratulations to the Year 11 Boys' Football Team on becoming league champions—an outstanding accomplishment and a fitting reward for years of hard work and dedication.





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YEAR 10 ATHLETICS TEAM SUCCESS

Pool Hayes Academy is delighted to celebrate the success of our Year 10 Athletics Team, who achieved an impressive runners-up position at the annual Walsall Schools Athletics Meet this week.

Competing against strong schools from across the borough, both the boys' and girls' teams delivered outstanding performances throughout the event. Their efforts on the track and in field events showcased a fantastic blend of speed, strength and skill, with every athlete playing an important role in the team's overall success.

The team demonstrated determination, focus and resilience in every event. Their commitment to giving their very best was evident throughout the competition, earning them well-deserved recognition and a place among the top teams.

This achievement reflects not only their individual talents but also their teamwork and support for one another, cheering each other on and contributing to points across the board.

We are incredibly proud of the Year 10 athletes for their dedication and excellent representation of our academy. Congratulations to the entire team on a fantastic achievement—we look forward to even more success in the future!





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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.



YEAR 11 DINNER MONEY

As Year 11 students approach the end of their time at school, we kindly ask parents and carers to keep a close eye on their child’s dinner money account. Please try not to add excessive funds that may require a refund, while also ensuring there is sufficient credit to cover daily purchases.

Please note that in the final months of term, accounts will not be permitted to go into arrears, as students will be leaving the school and outstanding balances may not be recoverable.

Thank you for your cooperation and support.



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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

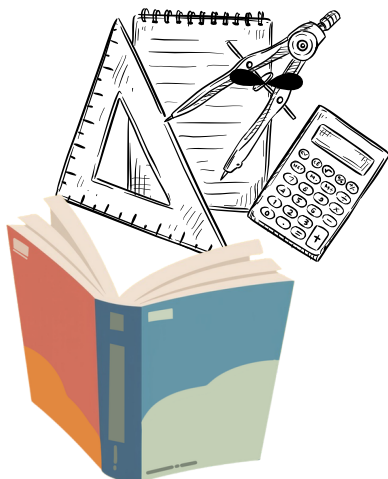
Our students have had a #PHAntastic week at school and have earned lots of positive points. As a school they have achieved **1,376,044 positive points!** The year group with the most points this week was **Year 7** who managed to achieve **8,640 points**. **10P1** are this week's form leaders and together as a team they racked up **1,561!** 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 **3,965 hours** and read **3,429 different books!** In Maths we have answered **805,393 questions!** In Science we have answered **311,105 questions!**

On Languagenut student have earned an impressive **1,007,600 points** this month!

Congratulations! Amazing work and effort to our students!!

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



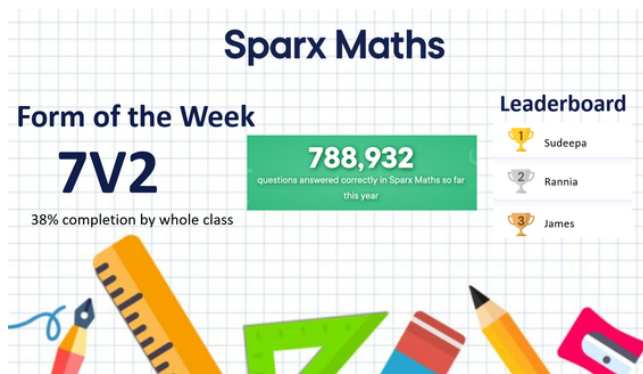


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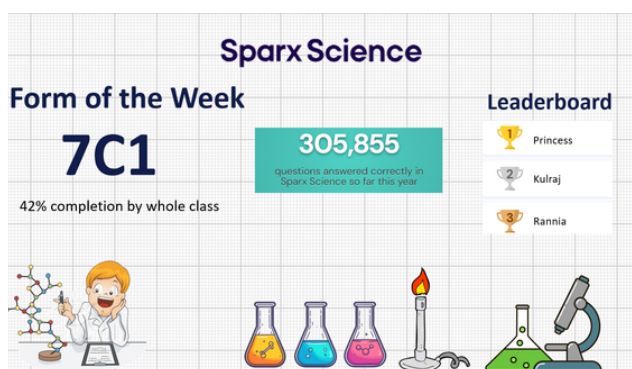
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SPARX STARS ★

A big well done to Form 7V2 who are our Sparx Maths - Stars of the Week! An extra special shout out to 🏆 1 Sudeepa 🏆 2 Rannia and 🏆 3 James, who are top of the class this week.



A big well done to Form 7C1 who are our Sparx Science - Stars of the Week! An extra special shout out to 🏆 1 Princess 🏆 2 Kulraj and 🏆 3 Rannia, who are top of the class this week.



A big well done to Form 10C2 who are our Sparx Reader - Stars of the Week! An extra special shout out to 🏆 1 Ashwina 🏆 2 Ellis and 🏆 3 Lexi, who are top of the class this week.



Complete your Sparx Reader, Sparx Science and Sparx Maths homework each week to be in with a chance to:

- Win form class of the week (Reader, Maths, Science)
- Make it onto the Power Up Leaderboard
- Win a token for the rewards vending machine



MAY HALF TERM INTERVENTION TIMETABLE

AM (10am-12pm)

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	Spanish Foundation English	DT	Geography	Science

PM (12pm-2pm)

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	Spanish Higher		Geography	Science



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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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be more....

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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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Hassle free half term event


**Willenhall Chart Community Hub,
19 Gomer Street, Willenhall WV13 2NS**


**Friday 29
May
11am-2pm**

- Free children's party entertainer
- Free mini disco/party games
- Free craft activities
- Free Kindness Pop up shop with a selection of good quality baby, child and adults clothing, toys and books available
- Free snacks and refreshments

Text 07860356239 or email
kirsty.robinson@whgrp.co.uk to book your free place

 www.whg.uk.com

 0300 555 6666

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