



## KEY DATES & EVENTS

**Year 13 Health & Social Care  
Revision Workshop Trip:**  
Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> November

**Variety Show Auditions:**  
Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> November at  
3:30pm

**Year 11 and Year 13 Mocks  
Finish:** Friday 28<sup>th</sup> November

### Advance Notice

**Christmas Play Nights:** Thursday  
4<sup>th</sup> & Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December

## MESSAGE FROM OUR VICE PRINCIPAL

*Written by Mr N. Campbell*

As you will be aware, this week saw the implementation of our new mobile phone strategy (Not Seen Not Heard). Firstly, we would like to thank all parents for their support with this initiative. The vast majority of the Academy have supported the policy and have worked in conjunction with staff. This has helped to create a safer learning environment, in which students are more focused on their studies.

Alongside this, Year 11 students have been sitting their mock examinations. Year 11 behaviour has been

exemplary during this period, and they have made the PHamily proud. We hope that these efforts will be reflected in the results they achieve.

I hope you all have a fantastic weekend and we look forward to this positive atmosphere being felt in the Academy on Monday.



## 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 now be set **every Monday**.

[Click here to go to Seneca](#)

Languagenut is set once a week.

[Click here to go to Languagenut](#)

## HEAD OF YEAR SHOUT OUTS

Well done to all of year 11. You have been amazing this week during your mocks, keep it up next week. - Mr Francis

## STUDENT SUCCESSES

Our students have had a #PHAntastic week and have earned lots of positive points. As an academy they have achieved **577,534 positive points!** The year group with the most points this week was **Year 7** who managed to achieve **12,861 points**. **10P1** are this week's form leaders and together as a team they racked up **1,884!** 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 **1,354 hours** and read **1,194 different books!** In Maths we have answered **336,624 questions!** In Science we have answered **134,360 questions!** On Languagenut student have earned an impressive **948,500 points so far this month!**

Congratulations! Amazing work and a great effort from students!! **This week's Power Ups are available on Sparx now.**

## SPORTING UPDATES

Girls under 13 cricket team represented the academy in Stoke this week at a Staffordshire cricket festival. It was a fantastic experience for our girls who will be looking to progress in the tournament further next year.

Pupils attitude in PE recently has been amazing, a big well done for a drop in PE kit issues.

New changing rooms are open and students are showing pride and respect in lessons.



## CHRISTMAS PLAY NIGHTS

Our wonderful Christmas Play Nights take place on Thursday 4th & Friday 5th December. We will be performing two 30-minute versions of some Shakespeare classics, with a twist! A Midsummer Night's Dream in a Christmas setting and a Peaky Blinders version of Romeo and Juliet. Tickets are now available from the drama office priced at 4 per Adult, £2 per Child or £10 for a Family Ticket of 2 x Adults & 2 x Children.

Tickets purchased gain entry into both shows



## CHRISTMAS FAIR

Come and celebrate the season with us on Wednesday 17th December, 5–7pm at our Christmas Craft Fair!

Enjoy handmade crafts, cards, decorations, gift tags, candle holders, created by our talented students and staff.

Expect to see delicious cakes and our festive tombola. Perfect for gifts, stocking fillers, or just a festive evening out!

Hosted by our PHA Art Department

**CHRISTMAS FAIR**  
WEDNESDAY 17TH DECEMBER  
5PM - 7PM

Join us for a magical evening of festive fun and creativity at our Christmas Fundraising Event, hosted by the Art Department and Creative Faculty!

The chance to immerse yourself into an Art exhibition created by our incredibly talented pupils from years 10, 11 and 12!

- Handmade gifts, decorations, and treats created by pupils and staff
- Gift table – donate or re-gift items for others to buy
- Handmade Christmas cards
- Raffle & Tombola with exciting prizes
- Cake stand & sweet treats
- Refreshments available
- Festive Music playing throughout the event.

**Want to get involved?**  
Pupils who would like to help with:

- Making items for the fundraiser
- Setting up and running stalls
- Serving guests alongside staff
- Come and see Miss Smith in Art to sign up and collect a permission letter to stay after school on the day of the event.
- You can also join Art & Craft Club, where we'll be making items for the fundraiser in the lead-up to the event!

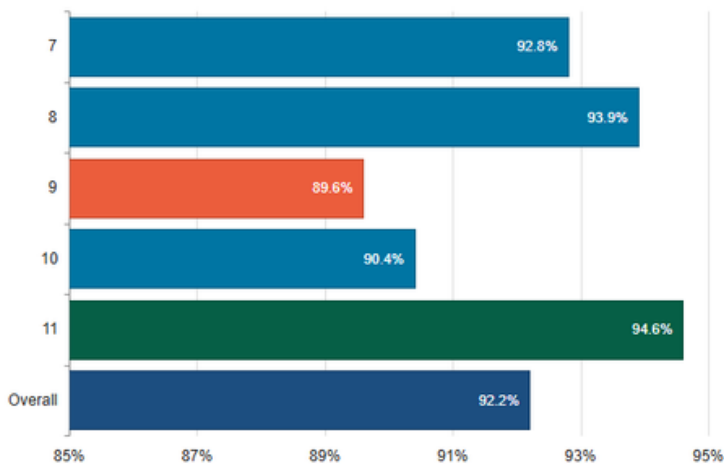
All proceeds go towards supporting the Art Department and Creative Faculty.

Cash payments will be accepted at this event.  
Card Payments are to be confirmed.

Pool Hayes Academy  
Art and Design



## ATTENDANCE FIGURES



Well done to Y11 for the most improved attendance! Remember, all students need to be on site by 8:41am. If students are late to their GCSE exams, they may not be allowed to sit them so punctuality is key!

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

## KEY CONTACTS

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

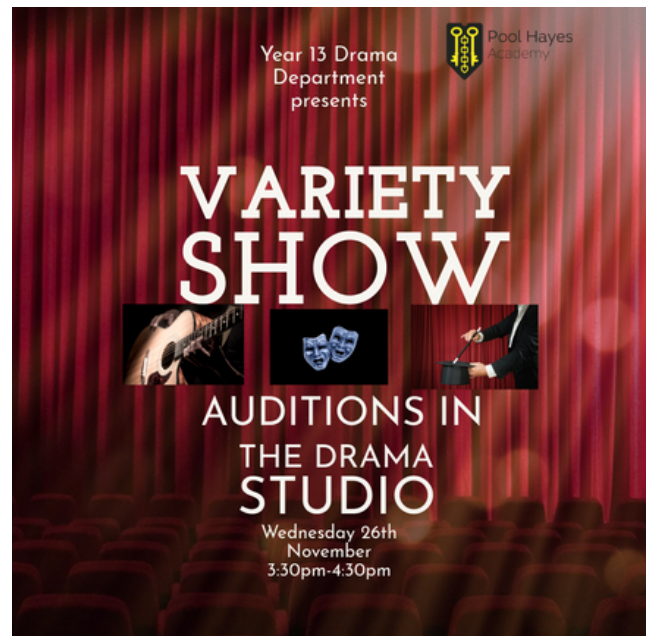
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## VARIETY SHOW AUDITIONS

Our Variety Show auditions will take place on Wednesday 26th November in the Drama studio, 3.30-4.30pm.

Come and show us your variety of talents from juggling, to hula hooping, to magic, or even stand up comedy! All talents are waiting to be discovered.

See you there!



## LATEST LETTERS

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

[Letters - Home Page](#)



**PROTECT YOUR PEACE**

NOT SEEN NOT HEARD

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**

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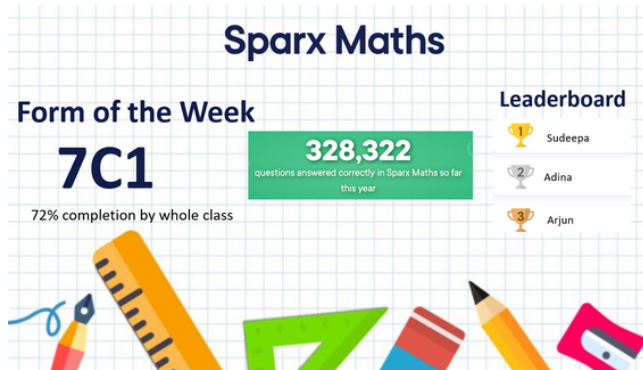
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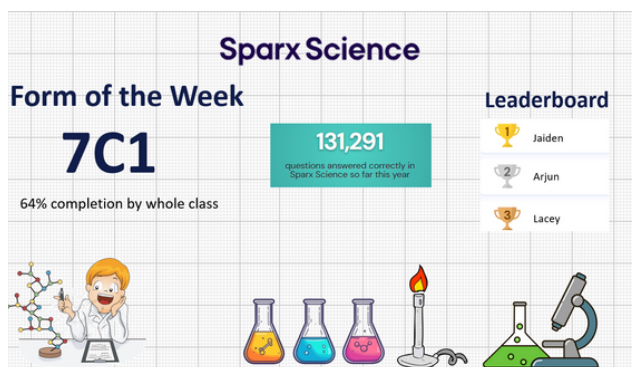


## SPARX STARS ★

A big well done to Form 7C1 who are our Sparx Maths - Stars of the Week! An extra special shout out to 🏆 1 Sudeepa 🏆 2 Adina and 🏆 3 Arjun, 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 Jaiden 🏆 2 Arjun and 🏆 3 Lacey, 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 William 🏆 2 Lily-Mai and 🏆 3 Raluchi, 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)
- 'Pupil of the fortnight' will be able to select a reward from the vending machine
- 'Form of the term' will have a treat to enjoy during registration at the end of term
- Raffle - students who complete homework's will be entered into a raffle to win a £10 voucher in rewards assemblies