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# WEEKLY BULLETIN

The official news bulletin of Holyrood Academy



# **DEAR PARENT/CARER**,

There were 154 students in attendance at the rehearsal for our main production of The Addams Family, last week. The cast is growing, with more students choosing to join in with this amazing opportunity. If your child is considering being involved, it's not too late, please ask them to see Mrs Lowe, Mrs Spiller or Mrs Wilsher for more details!

The key theme of my bulletin entry this week is attendance. We have started the year well, with most students attending 95%+. It is very important for us to keep this going as we felt the impact of good and poor attendance acutely through last year's GCSE outcomes. You may find the table below useful, as it shows the likelihood of students achieving grades 4+ and 5+ in both English and Maths, as well as how much progress they made, depending upon their school attendance. This data is from our school, just 6 weeks ago and so is important for us all to be aware of.

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#### FEATURED THIS WEEK:

- Somerset Arts Exhibition
- Year 7 Expedition
- Sports & Holyrood Clubs
- Open Evening/Mornings
- Up and coming Events
- Mr. Dave MacCormick -London Marathon

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	95%+			90-95%			85%-90%		Below 85%			
	P8	4+EM	5+EM	P8	4+EM	5+EM	P8	4+EM	5+EM	P8	4+EM	5+EM
Holyrood GCSE Results	0.62	78%	52%	0.46	71%	61%	-0.47	65%	36%	-1.11	44%	16%
2022												

You can see from these results that students who attended 95%+ of the time made, on average, 0.62 grades more progress in every subject, compared with those who did not. You can also see that in this attendance band, students were almost 80% likely to achieve at grade 4+ in English and Maths. At the other end of the scale, attendance below 90% seriously impacted students' chances of making good progress and achieving those all important grade 4+ in English and Maths.

It is important to say that strong attendance habits start in KS3, not in Year 11. Please do ensure that your child attends school as often as possible and if there is something we can support you or your child with, please contact their form tutor in the first instance.

#### **Best Wishes**

MR. DAVE MACCORMICK Head Teacher





## MR MACCORMICK IS RUNNING LONDON MARATHON ON SUNDAY!



We are very proud to report that Mr MacCormick is running the London Marathon on Sunday 2nd October in aid of Save the Children! He chose this particular charity because they have been central in offering support to children at home and abroad during the pandemic and in times of crisis (natural, war or financial), always placing children first.

We will send out his race number before the event so that you can keep an eye on his progress online! If you can support the charity and him (he says he is going to need all the help he can get!!), please click on the Just Giving link here:







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# 24th Sept -9th October

# Holyrood students exhibit at Chard Library

### SOMERSET ARTS WEEK EXHIBITION

#### 24th September - 9th October

#### Holyrood students exhibit at Chard Library.

Holyrood Academy is exhibiting for the second year running in the Somerset Arts Week. Come to Chard Library to see our students work on public display from the 26th September until 9th October. We are very proud of them.

This year the Somerset Art week theme is Sanctuary. Art provides sanctuary from everyday life for adolescents. Somewhere quiet, Somewhere to be yourself, somewhere safe, somewhere that is owned by you. Come to see our students extraordinary response to the pressure of everyday life at Chard Library this year.

### **UP AND COMING EVENTS**

#### Fabulous events coming up soon for Holyrood Academy

More information on all of these events on-line soon:



## **YEAR 7 EXPEDITION**

Advanced warning of this annual stomp from Ilmister to Chard. This will take place on Friday the 30th of September in the glorious sunshine. Year 7 students will be wearing non school uniform on this day and will walk in tutor groups as a team building exercise.



## **MEDICATION AT SCHOOL**

Please can parents beware that all medication should be given to the school's First Aid room for students to collect from there. This way, the type of medication and doses are known as we want to ensure the safety and health of all our students. If you have any queries, please read the First Aid Policy <u>here</u> or email the school at <u>office@holyrood.uat.ac</u>. Thank you.



### **HOLYROOD CLUBS 2022**

click here! to view our Autumn Clubs.

## **AUTUMN SPORTS CLUBS 2022**

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Lunch	Year 7 Basketball Mrs Druce - Sports Hall	All Years Badminton Mrs Bowker - Sports Hall	All Years Gym Miss, Armstrong - Lifestyle Fitness	Year 8-11 Dance Club Mrs Druce - Lifestyle	Year 8-11 Basketba Mrs Druce - Sports H
Time	<b>All Years Gym</b> Mr Barker - Lifestyle Fitness		Year 7 Dance Club Mrs. Druce - Lifestyle	Fitness	All Years Gym Mr Jenkins - Lifestyle
:30 - 2:10	Ø	٩	Fitness	¥	Fitnéss
After	Year 7 Boys and Girls Hockey	Years 8/9 Girls Rugby Mr Jenkins - Field	<b>Year 7 Girls Rugby</b> Mrs Druce - Field	Year 9 Girls Hockey Mrs Bowker - ATP	Year 8-11 Boys Hockey Mrs Druce - ATP
School	Mrs Drúce - ATP	Years 10/11 + 6th Form Hockey Miss Armstrong/Mrs Preston - ATP	<b>Year 7 Boys Rugby</b> Mr Reid - Field	<b>Years 10/11 Girls</b> <b>Rugby</b> Miss Armstrong - Field	Mis Diuce - Alf
		t	Year 8 Girls Hockey Mrs Preston- ATP	Year 10 Boys Rugby Mr Easton - Field	
			<b>Year 9 Boys Rugby</b> Mr Barker - Field		
:15 - 4:15			Mrs Preston- ATP	Year 10 Boys Rugby Mr Easton - Field	



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## **UPPER HENSON PLAY AREA PLANS**

Chard Town Council have been working with Wickstead to upgrade one of its parks (Upper Henson) and still have a few weeks left of the consultation period. If you would like to contribute to this consultation please follow this link : https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/N2QWV93









OPEN MORNINGS October 11th & 13th | 9AM - 11AM OPEN EVENING October 6th

> | From 5PM





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