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THE NEW BLOCK IS OFFICIALLY OPEN





After a long wait Christmas has come early for the English and Maths staff with the opening of their new block.

The doors were opened this term to welcome the students to the brand new build with spacious classrooms and an ICT suite.

Thank you to the Lionheart Educational Trust who have supported us through the project.



English and Maths

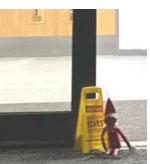












YOUNGMINDS

More young people than ever before are seeking out mental health support and most aren't getting the help they need. The past year saw the highest number of referrals to mental health support services for young people since records began.



By joining thousands of schools, offices and communities across the UK in wearing yellow, we have done a little thing to make a BIG difference to young people's mental health.

We had an amazing day filled with joy and colour, raising an incredible **£516.00** for YoungMinds.

If you would like to learn more about YoungMinds please visit: www.youngminds.org.uk

Thank you so much for your support

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A massive thank you to #teamhp and their supporters for their efforts in raising awareness of men's physical and mental health. The current total is £561 but you can still donate.



ANTI-BULLYING WEEK 2022!



This year, Anti-bulling week took place from Monday 14th November to Friday 18th November and had the theme Reach Out.

As part of Anti-bullying week at Humphrey Perkins, chocolate bars were hidden around the school site for students to find as part of our random act of kindness day.

During Thursday lunchtime, staff ran a Kindness Rock Painting Workshop for all students. Students were able to take these rocks home and either hide them for someone to find or give them to someone else. Every student was given a postcard during tutor time to share a kind thought and reach out to either a friend, family member, staff, neighbour etc.

As part of our ongoing commitment to Anti-bullying, we have implemented Anti-bullying Ambassadors alongside our STOP@humphreyperkins.org.uk for students to report any concerns confidentially via email. Staff have recently completed training for Mentors in Violence Prevention (MVP) and are training our KS4 ambassadors.

Humphrey Perkins are proud to hold the Beyond Bullying Gold Award as recognition for the positive and proactive work we do around preventing and tackling bullying.

Spotlight on Creatives











This has been a a very exciting year for our staff and students. Not only did we join Performing Arts and Design to create a bigger and better Creative team but we also welcomed our new Music teacher who is already making a huge impact!

To say we have been busy is rather an understatement! The term has ended with celebration assemblies that celebrated some of the amazing talents seen in our Christmas Showcase. It was fantastic to see so many students involved.

The trip to the theatre to see the Wizard of Oz was enjoyed by all and we were lucky enough to share the experience with a group of very well behaved students.

We joined the festivities with performances from HP students at the Christmas lights switch on.

We took on the challenge of the Christmas Tree festival but with new technology in the department we are already making exciting plans for next years' entry!

Stem ambassador Tyler Burrows from Siemens Technology came in to lead a workshop for GCSE Year 11 students about Hardware Components.

We opened the doors to the Creative department for prospective HP students at Open Evening. It was lovely to welcome in so many parents and students to showcase what we do.

Extra Curricular clubs.have been very busy this year with Digital Leaders, Lego Robotics, Dance, Vox Pops & Vox Max, Band Jam, Tech Club, Drama Club and now the recent introduction of "Shhh computing club" staff and students have been thoroughly entertained.

With the nearing of the GCSE Exams for Year 11 intervention is growing increasingly popular on a Friday evening with a prize draw entry for anyone who attends!



Thank you to each and every student that contributed towards making the Christmas Showcase the spectacular event that it was. We couldn't be prouder!



Following the success of our Christmas Showcase the Creative Department are excited to announce our Summer Production of









Mrs Lockton



Mr Webb



Mrs Foster

TRUST DIRECTOR OF COMPUTING



Mrs Quail

TEACHER OF DANCE



Mrs Premdjy

TEACHER OF FOOD & TEXTILES



Mr Foster

TEACHER OF COMPUTING



Mrs Promosso

TEACHER OF DRAMA



Mrs Hussey

TEACHER OF MUSIC



Mrs Bray

CREATIVE TECHNICIAN



The Humphrey Perkins Christmas Card 2022 Designed by Hannah Oldham



Earlier this term 48 students in Year 10 and Year 11 visited Paris for a four-night residential trip organised by the Modern Foreign Languages department: our first overseas trip since the start of the pandemic.

Students spent a full day at Disneyland Paris, enjoying the attractions, rides and parades followed by a spectacular light and firework show in the evening. On day 2 we took in our beautiful surroundings and uncovered the historic heart of the city on a Bateaux Mouches boat cruise along the River Seine.

We explored our cultural surroundings and visited the iconic sights of Paris including the Lourve, Champs Elysées, Arc de Triomphe and the view of the Eiffel Tower from the top of Tour Montparnasse.

A highlight for many of our students was the spontaneous evening detour to see the illuminated Eiffel Tower when it sparkles for 5 minutes every hour. Excitement levels were high as the students took pictures and videos before heading back to the hotel.

Throughout the trip students were able to practise their French language skills by ordering their own food and listening to the news headlines on the TV in the hotel.

We are extremely proud of all our students who represented Humphrey Perkins and embraced every opportunity during their trip to Paris.







HP students joined the other Lionheart Trust Schools and shared their respects on the passing of the Queen by creating a wreath of condolences with help from the Creative Department. Each leaf contained a personal message from one of our students.

HUMPHREY PERKINS SCHOOL



New PTFA for 2022

We are extremely excited to have launched our new PTFA (Parents, Teachers and Friends Association) at Humphrey Perkins this year. This term we have had a stall at the Barrow Christmas Market where, despite heavy rainfall, we managed to raise over £200. We also played a key role in the Humphrey Perkins Christmas Event, organising refreshments, running a tombola and a raffle. So far this term we have raised over £500.

Events to look out for next term:

Quiz, Pie and Chips night February 8th 6pm - 8pm Key stage 3 Disco January 27th 7pm - 9pm

Our next meeting is at 6pm on the 10th January 2023. Come and join our friendly, hard working group as we work together to make Humphrey Perkins even better.









At Humphrey Perkins we understand the value of an equal partnership between teachers and parents/carers with regard to the emotional and academic wellbeing of students. We want our parents/carers to have a voice on the issues that matter.

This is why we have recruited our first Parent Ambassadors to represent the parents/carers of Humphrey Perkins School. A Humphrey Perkins Parent Ambassador is a parent/carer who is 'passionate about the school, has credibility amongst peers, connections in the community, and a desire to advance the school'. Parent Ambassadors are instrumental in expanding the reach of the school in the community and beyond.

The Humphrey Perkins Parent Ambassador Group (PAG) has the following objectives:

- To be a consistent presence on Open Day/Evenings, celebration and community events
- PAs are a positive link between the school and the parent/carer community and beyond
- The PAG will help shape how Humphrey Perkins improves its engagement with parents/carers and the wider community in order to advance the school
- Through the PAG there is a wider and more regular engagement with employers, businesses, charities, cultural and community groups

If you wish to raise any points with the PAG in terms of what the school does well and/or what improvements you would like to see then we have set up an email address: <u>parent.ambassadors@humphreyperkins.org.uk</u>

Please also use this email address if you are interested in joining this group of parents in helping to improve our engagement with the wider community as well as improving the school.

