

25.03.17

# NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents and Carers,

The year7/8 football team have had a fantastic season. As with all great teams they had a shaky start to the season but worked together, alongside Mr Bartlett and Mr Hann, to reach the dizzy heights of 3rd in the league! I joined them for a pizza and ice-cream lunch and listened to blow by blow accounts of their most memorable games of the season.

Tyrelle Sandiford-Woolcock (8RBe) delivered an excellent captain's talk centred around the need to start next season at the level they are now and to not let their game slip.

I apologise to the staff who taught the boys in the afternoon who were full of pizza and sugar! The team and managers deserved their success.

Lesley Falconer



## Important Dates for the Diary

**Thursday 30th March at 6pm - HNS Spring Concert**

All Year 8 students will be singing, and should have received a letter. As a music-focused school, their attendance at the concert is compulsory. Other performances will be given by Hackney Harmonies, Samba Bateria, Hackney New Voices, Orchestra, and Guitar Band.

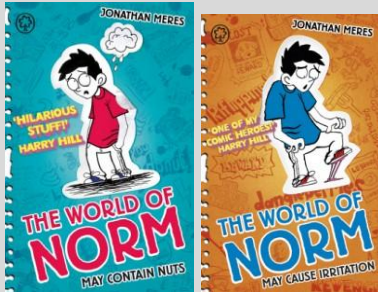
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**FRIDAY 31 MARCH at 12.30PM**

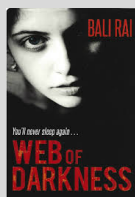
# Library

This week's recommended read is the series *The World of Norm* by Jonathan Meres, all about a normal boy called... Norman! He lives in a normal family with his parents and his two really annoying little brothers. In the first book *May Contain Nuts*, Norm and his family have to move to a smaller house, which really upsets him. At least he can still go cycling with his best friend, Mikey. One afternoon, the boys are riding their bikes and Mikey crashes into Norm's garage and smashes a valuable china tea set. Unfortunately, Norm's teenage neighbour, Chelsea, films the whole thing and posts the video on YouTube! This means war and Norm's determined to get his revenge.

Wondering what to read next? If you love Wimpy Kid and David Walliams you'll love these books.



There are still some signed copies of the Bali Rai books, including his latest novel *Web of Darkness*, for sale at a discount. Sale ends next week so hurry to the library to reserve your copy!



Here are some happy readers during break...



## The Carnegie shortlisted books have arrived!

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Don't forget to come to the library to get a book to read over the holidays.





# Maths

## Maths assessments

All students have now completed their assessments in maths and students are more than welcome to take their assessments home to review their strengths and weaknesses.

## Maths revision guides and calculators

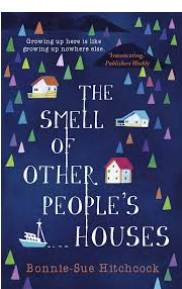
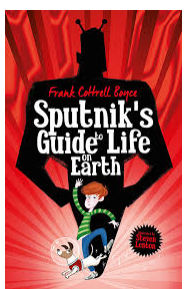
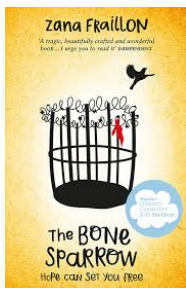
Students who have paid for revision guides and calculators must see Miss Li at morning or lunch break to collect items. Students who have not yet paid for items received are kindly reminded to pay via School Money.

## Further maths and preparation for A-level

Bridging the gap classes have now been running for 4 weeks. Students have looked at transformations of graphs, the equation of a circle, algebraic fractions and vectors. Students are no longer being offered the option of doing a Further Maths GCSE qualification; instead students will learn some A-level content in these sessions to prepare them for the transition.

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# Art News



Year 10 GCSE students visited the William Morris Gallery in Walthamstow this week. Students viewed and discussed the Japanese Prints exhibition and produced a series of 2 layer lino prints in response. This was lead by a practising artist and informed by students own contextual understanding. As students enjoyed this process so much, this will now be delivered as a targeted year 10 printmaking enrichment next term to further develop their skill set and confidence in this medium.



# P.E

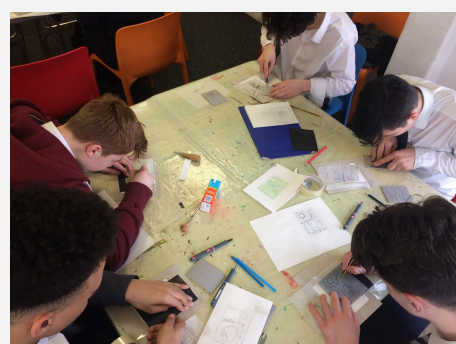
The Year 7, 8 & 9 HNS Cheerleading Team are training hard in enrichment to develop their routine and working together to perfect their stunts.



## Sportsmen of the Week

**Jezreel Davies** has developed into an excellent leader in the school football team. Jez increasingly leads by example, both in terms of attitude and performance level. Throughout the last two years, Jez has persevered and shown excellent resilience and now has the third highest all time appearance record and second all time amount of goals in the school (despite only being in year 8).

**Damla Cihan** has shown a vast improvement in her attitude to PE especially since she has joined the Badminton enrichment. She has demonstrated an improvement in her practical skills such as her hand eye coordination which will benefit her greatly for the summer term. Damla is much more positive which has had an impact on her communication skills.



All engrossed in the workshops.



