

## HOCKERILL NEWS

### Enrichment Days

#### Monday 13th to Wednesday 15th June

Next week all students will be off timetable for three days to take part in a range of enriching activities.

These activities are designed so students have further opportunities to develop the soft skills, which are embedded in the IBs Approaches to Learning (ATL) and the IB Learner Profile and include skills such as collaboration and problem solving as well as research and communication. Students can also think more deeply about national and/or global issues.

Letters have been sent out to parents/carers of students going out on trips, via SIMS InTouch so please do check your emails.

Unless otherwise told (see below re Year 8 and Year 10 students) are to wear full school uniform and should have with them their fully charged BYOD and their normal school pencil case equipment, coloured pencil and/or felt pens are also useful.

We are very much looking forward to these days.

### IMPORTANT DATES

#### Saturday 11th June

New Students' Morning (lessons finish at 1205)

#### Monday 13th to Wednesday 15th June

Enrichment Days

#### Monday 20th to Friday 24th June

Schools Diversity week

#### Saturday 25th June

Sixth Form New Students' Morning (further details below)

#### Contact us:

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	Monday 13 June	Tuesday 14 June	Wednesday 15 June
<b>Year 7</b>	Bletchley Park (Bader Ginsburg and Mandela) or Creative Arts (Turing and Seacole)	Bletchley Park (Turing and Seacole) or Creative Arts (Bader Ginsburg and Mandela)	Poetry workshop
<b>Year 8</b>	Hockerill's Got Talent	International film day	Hockerill's Got Talent
<b>Year 9</b>	Tyre challenge	Anglia Ruskin University Visit (Chelmsford Campus)	Community Project and What's my Line
<b>Year 10</b>	Bronze D of E or Harlow Outdoors	Bronze D of E or Command Games and orienteering	English spoken language workshop
<b>Year 12</b>	Careers and University preparation workshops	Science IA	Science IA or Gold D of E practice

**Year 8** - On Monday and Wednesday Year 8 students should arrive in College wearing their PE kit. Please could they also bring their own device, pens and and colouring pencils.

#### Year 10 – Walk to Hatfield Forest - Action required by Monday 13th June 2022

As you are aware from my letter on 24th May, Year 10 students, who are not participating in the Duke of Edinburgh award, will take part in team building activities in the morning of 14th June and then spend Periods 4 and 5 going on a walk, using public footpaths, around the local countryside to Hatfield Forest.

This will be a 2 hour walk and they will cover a total of 8/9km.

Students will have lunch at College as normal.

Students should come to College in **full PE kit (Polo and shorts or skirts and trainers with white socks). In additional they may bring a PE fleece and Navy skins (No other sportswear permitted). All students will need a water bottle, sun cream and hat or waterproof coat depending on the weather.**

In the previous letter the link to an online consent form was missing, please accept my apologies. Can I ask for you to complete the consent form via the link below as a matter of urgency by Monday 13th June.

Please can all parents/guardians complete a Level 1 consent form [via this link](#).

Students should bring with them any medication needed as they would do on a normal College day.

There is no cost associated with this trip. If you have any questions, please email [year10@hockerill.com](mailto:year10@hockerill.com)

**Mrs N Ashlee-McCrae**

**Trip organiser**

### School Diversity Week (20th to 24th June)

We will be celebrating Diversity Week during this week and Friday 24th June sees Express Your Identity Day. Students can wear their own clothes or accessorise their school uniform. We welcome students wearing traditional or cultural dress or any clothes they feel represents them. There will be further information in next week's Hub detailing the range of activities taking place.

### Sixth Form New Students Morning

For Year 11 Parents whose son or daughter is returning to Hockerill Sixth Form, you have been sent a letter for the New Students Morning on Saturday 25th June. If you haven't already responded via the forms linked in the letter, we would appreciate hearing from you as to whether we will be expecting you and your son/daughter.

There is a form to fill out in [this letter](#) where you will be asked to select some sessions that you'd like to attend. If you are unable to attend, please complete the form, and we will be able to send you relevant information after the event. For us to be able to accommodate everyone on the day, we would appreciate it if you could complete this no later than Monday 13th June at 9 am. The form will close after this.

**Mr P Bromfield**

**Director of Sixth Form**

### Sports Day – Thursday 23rd June

Advanced notice that Sports Day will be held on Thursday 23rd June. Sports Day is an Equipe competition for all students and we look forward to seeing the students enjoy and engage in this important event. Athletics events will be held during the day, with an opportunity for parents to come and watch the afternoon events if they so wish. If you would like to come and watch the track events held in the afternoon, between 1340-1540hrs please complete the Form via the [link here](#).

Please be aware of the following in relation to Sports Day on the 23rd June:

- All students in **Year 7-10** will attend College wearing PE kit:
  - Year 7 -9:** navy shorts, athletics vest and white sports socks (optional Hockerill quarter zip fleece or smock top)
  - Year 10:** navy shorts, athletics vest/navy PE polo and white sports socks (optional Hockerill quarter zip fleece or smock top)
- All books for normal lessons (Periods 1-5) must also be bought to College in case the event is cancelled due to poor weather
- Please ensure that your child is prepared for the weather with water and sun cream if necessary

Further details will be sent to parents as we approach the event.

### Young Environmentalist Competition

Stort Valley Rotary were delighted when Rotary Great Britain & Ireland recently announced the winners of the 2021/22 Young Environmentalist Competition.



Winning the Senior Category were the following:

Zoe Hart & Yvette Hupje - Hockerill Anglo European College for their project about food waste.

Sophie Broom - Lambrook School for her project about climate change.

Savannah Martin - Tain Royal Academy for her investigation into the impact the North Coast 500 has on local environment and tourism.

All of whom were speakers at a Stort Valley Rotary Speaker event held on Zoom in March.

The competition is an opportunity for young people to showcase their unique solutions to environmental problems and change the way we look, treat and interact with our environment.

There were three age group categories, to allow for all participants to have a fair chance at winning and have equal skills as their peers. These consist of Junior (7-10 years), Intermediate (11-13 years) and Seniors (14-17 years).

The theme of the competition this year was 'Climate Change/Carbon Reduction'

The Awards are proudly sponsored by Veolia who also had a representative on the judge's panel. The other judge was Roz Scammell.

As well as doing their bit to support young people and the environment, Stort Valley Rotary Club also run the charity campaign 'Helping Herts' to raise money for children's welfare charities in Hertfordshire. This year already the campaign has raised over £50,000 through a fundraising walk and has lots of exciting activities and events planned for the remainder of 2022. For more information visit [www.helpingherts.com](http://www.helpingherts.com)

For more information contact Sarah Jenkinson, PR Consultant at Helping Herts

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\*About Helping Herts

Helping Herts is a registered charity focussed on offering much-needed support to good causes in Hertfordshire. Sponsored by Stort Valley Rotary Club and Gordon Morrison, who have extensive experience over the last twenty years supporting people in great need.

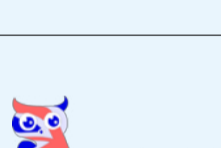


Zoe Hart

Yvette Hupje

### British Biology Challenge

Last month, 117 Year 10 students participated in the British Biology Challenge. This National Competition is designed for students with an interest in Biology to compete with other students worldwide. This year over 41,000 students from 550 schools worldwide took part in the competition. Questions were set on the school curriculum as well as a wider knowledge of Biology and tested problem-solving skills in addition to understanding of core Biological principles.



I am extremely proud of the performance of all students who participated in the competition and am now able to announce that in addition to 36 Participation Awards, 18 students achieved Commended, 17 were Highly Commended, 27 were awarded a Bronze Award, 15 a Silver Award and 4 students (Sebastian Ttofalli, Alex Thursfield, Finlay Norton and Tobias Strachota) with marks above 80% were awarded a Gold Award.

All students who participated will be awarded certificates and a year's free membership to RSB BioNet - providing them with an electronic subscription to The Biologist Magazine.

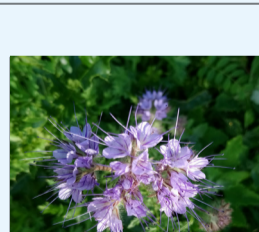
**Mrs A Lumby**

**Head of Biology**

### Request for Barley Straw

Our College wildlife pond is starting to show some wonderful results from student's earlier efforts to create a supportive environment for pollinators. This is just one of the wildflowers now in bloom around the pond and is aptly known in some circles as Bee's Friend.

While the wildflowers are thriving our pond continues to struggle with algae which is restricting the pond's ability to fully sustain a diverse range of species. One of the possible solutions to this is to put a small bag of barley straw into the water, if any staff or parents have some that they can donate at any time throughout the year it would be greatly received. If you are able to help, please email me in the first instance [gilmanc@hockerill.com](mailto:gilmanc@hockerill.com)



Thank you.

**Mr C Gilman**

**on behalf of the Nurturing Nature Club**

## EVENTS NEWS

### Summer Solstice Concert - Tickets on sale now!

#### Tuesday 21st June

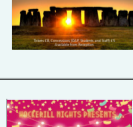
The Music Department is delighted to invite you to the Summer Solstice Concert. This will be celebrating the Lower College's Young Achievements featuring a variety of ensembles, soloists, competitors and winners of the Bishop's Stortford Rotary Musical Musician Competition 2022. The event will take place at All Saints' Church, Hockerill commencing at 1900hrs. We hope to see you there!



### Sounds of the Summer Evenings (over 18s only)

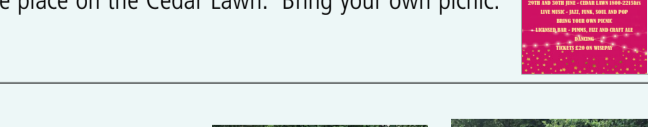
#### Wednesday 29th and Thursday 30th June

Hockerill Parents and Friends are organising two live music events to take place on the Cedar Lawn. Bring your own picnic. Licenced bar available. Expect dancing! Tickets are £20 via WisePay.



### Much Ado About Nothing

Hockerill Nights presented this fun outdoor theatre event this week.



## WE ARE RECRUITING

We are currently recruiting, please see our [website here](#) for details.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Summer Solstice Concert	Tuesday 21st June
Year 11 Prom	Thursday 23rd June
Year 11 Sixth Form New Students' Morning	Saturday 25th June
Sports Celebration and Presentation Evening	Saturday 25th June
Sounds of the Summer	Wednesday 29th and Thursday 30th June
Final Assemblies	Friday 1st July