

> HOCKERILL NEWS

Show Racism the Red Card
Annual Wear Red Day – Friday 21st October

Every heart and every mind that we change changes at least one life but has the capacity to change hundreds, if not thousands of others. Be a proud anti-racist. Be the difference. Join us. Wear Red. Change Hearts. Change Minds. Change Lives.

We invite students to wear one piece of red clothing to show support for the campaign alongside their normal College uniform. Students will also engage in a personal development activity during form time to discuss the issues around this important issue.

You can find further [details here](#).



IMPORTANT DATES

Thursday 20th October
Enrichment Day
Friday 21st October
Wear Red Day
Half term holiday commences (students depart at 1540)
Contact us:
General communications to: admin@hockerill.com
Absence communications to: absence@hockerill.com



The Queen's Platinum Jubilee Medal

Two Hockerill College staff have been awarded the prestigious Queen's Platinum Jubilee Medal. Capt N Ashlee-McCrae and SSI D Riley were presented these medals by Mr Woods this week.

The medal was awarded to Capt Ashlee-McCrae for over 20 years of service in the Combined Cadet Force (CCF) and to SSI Riley for his years of service in the CCF and the Armed Forces.

Celebrating the Languages of the Hockerill Community

To celebrate the European Day of Languages in September we wanted to highlight the importance of the multilingual and multicultural nature of our Hockerill community. We invited parents to complete a short survey so we could collect this information and we thank everyone who has already responded.

If you have not yet had a chance to complete the survey, there is still time. [Please follow this link](#) It will only take a couple of minutes. Thank you for your time.

Dr Carmen Millán-Varela
Director of Languages

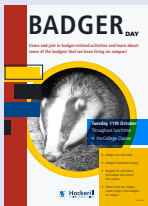
Anthropology Podcast

"Anthrobytes" is the new Anthropology Podcast put together by sixth form students and Mrs Dallas, in which we discuss all things human in bite-sized portions!



In this episode we are joined by Lizzie and together present the letter 'D' and ask 'What is the role of anthropology in development?' We consider Archetti's case study of the Quechua of Ecuador to demonstrate that the concept of 'universal development' as understood by Western NGOs and the United Nations may not reflect local subjectivities. We also discuss the reasoning and controversies behind Scheper-Hughes' call for a militant anthropology which is actively engaged in supporting studied groups. Here is [the link](#) to this week's podcast.

Hockerill Badger Day - No Badgering Needed!



Tuesday 11th marked our Hockerill Badger Day celebrations when staff and students alike were invited to learn about badgers, badger rescue and to take part in some relaxed and fun activities.

As the title of the article says, 'no badgering' was needed to encourage attendees as the cloister garden was buzzing with the constant presence of visitors wishing to learn and take part in the activities all of which were run by members of the Nurturing Nature Club with some staff who very kindly gave their free time to help supervise the event. The warm autumn sun was the perfect accompaniment to the craft activities with a noticeable take up of mindful colouring among the staff, maybe we have a new club in the making!

As with our World Bee Day celebration earlier this year, the wonderful refectory staff enthusiastically joined in with a badger themed dessert station including badger cookies and a complete badger sponge cake. We were also very fortunate to have the chairman of Uttlesford Badger Group in attendance with a number of exhibits and a wealth of information and knowledge to share.

Well done to all of the students for a terrific job plus a huge thank you to the many staff and people who supported the event, it would not have the success that it was without your input.

Mr Gilman
Nurturing Nature Club



> BOARDING NEWS

Boarding Parents' Forum

Thank you to those parents who were able to attend the Online Boarding Forum on Wednesday evening, if you were unable to attend and would like to watch the recording, please do so via the link [here](#).

Boarders' Open Week

Please see details of the events available for parents to attend during the days leading up to the end of the Michaelmas term. Further details including how to access tickets will be sent to parents in due course. Please do make a note of these dates in your diary as we would love to welcome as many boarding parents as possible.

Date	Event	Times	Further Details
Saturday 10th December 2022	Christmas Music Show	19:00 – 21:00	
Tuesday 13th December 2022	Afternoon Tea in the Refectory	17:00 – 18:00	Tea, coffee and cake in Refectory with Parents, Students & Staff.
	Christmas Music Show	19:00 – 21:00	
Wednesday 14th December 2022	Buffet in the Refectory	18:00 – 18:45	Buffet Dinner for Parents, Students & Staff.
	Christmas Music Show	19:00 – 20:30	
Thursday 15th December 2022	Final Assembly (College day ends at 12:40)	10:15 – Upper College	
		11:35 – Lower College	

Saturday 12th November – Boarding Parent Lunch

During last academic year we provided boarding parents with an opportunity to come in to College on a Saturday afternoon and trial the food in the refectory. This is an event we will continue offering this academic year, the next date we have available for parents is Saturday 12th November. If you would like to come in and trial the food available, please complete the [Form via the link here](#). The Form will close at 12:30 on Friday 21st October.

Weekend Programme

The activities planned for boarders over weekends can be found [via the link here](#). There are also some other useful documents within this area on the website, including the dates of the remaining Online Forums this academic year.

Mr W Conolly
Director of Boarding

> EQUIPE NEWS

Equipe Performing Arts Competition – Thursday 20th October at 1900hrs

The Heads of Equipe have been working hard over the last two months to produce four amazing short musicals for you, at the same time as all their other work and I am extremely proud of how well they have done. Please come along on 20th October for the return of the EPAC! All are welcome to attend, and we look forward to see as many of you as possible here on Thursday.

Tickets can be purchased for this event from Reception or via WisePay.

Mr G Dinwiddy
Head of Equipes



> MUSIC NEWS

Important information - Music invoices

Instrumental, vocal and theory lesson fees are now due. If you have not yet paid this terms fees, you will have received a WisePay reminder advising that payment should be made before the October half term.

Unfortunately, if payment is not received by this date, lessons will not be scheduled in January. If payment is made after the deadline, lessons will need to be reapplied for and in these cases, we are unable to guarantee a space with your child's current teacher.

If you have any concerns regarding the fees, please contact the Finance department - finance@hockerill.com If you would like to discuss music lessons, feel free to contact us - musicadmin@hockerill.com

Amy Morrow-Plant
Director of Music - Head of Instrumental Studies

> GENERAL NEWS

An increasing number of families are facing a variety of challenges and often do not know where to turn to get the professional support and reliable advice they need to find a way forward. Free advice is available from Citizens Advice. Further information can be [found here](#).



> WE ARE RECRUITING

Our latest [vacancies can be found here](#).