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> HOCKERILL NEWS

Online and Face to Face Tutoring/Counselling/Therapy for Day Students

During a recent review of the arrangements for counselling therapy and tutoring, both online and in person, we have noted that the number of requests for Day Students to engage in these activities on site during the school day is increasing. Whilst students are on site, we have a duty of care to ensure that appropriate safeguarding measures are in place and as the sessions are not organised by us, we are unable to do this. This means that we are not able to accommodate these sessions on site and respectfully ask that parents of day students arrange these sessions at a time outside the school day and/or when the student is at home.

Please see below a link to some government guidance about ensuring your child/children are safe during community activities, after-school clubs and tuition which we hope will be of some assistance. [Guidance for parents and carers regarding after-school clubs, activities and tuition.](#)

Y10 Internal Exam Timetable

The Year 10 internal exam timetable has now been published, please [click this link](#) for details.

IMPORTANT DATES

Sunday 19th February
Boards return

Monday 20th February
Term recomences

Thursday 23rd February
Early finish for **all** students

1440hrs (due to Year 7 Student, Parent and Teacher consultations)

Contact us:

General communications to:
admin@hockerill.com

Exceptional circumstances for leave of absence to:
Year 7 to 11 Student

[Exceptional Leave of Absence Form](#)

[Sixth Form Student Exceptional Leave of Absence Form](#)

> DT NEWS



New project work in DT

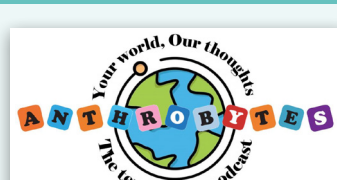
Four Year 9 groups recently completed a brand new project in DT. The brief was to design and make a household product from metal in the style of the Bauhaus. The aluminium bases were cast out of the astro pitch's old spotlight casings by our wonderful technician Dr Stuchlik and the rest was made from standard metal parts, such as studding, strip, nuts and bolts. The students learnt skills such as turning, brazing and cold-forming; and the resulting products that ranged from mirrors to candlesticks and from remote control holders to jewellery display stands were wonderful and would not look out of place in a high-street shop. Well done all!

Mrs Osafo and Mr Russell

> SOCIAL ANTHROPOLOGY NEWS

'Anthrobytes' is the 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 present the letter 'K' for 'Kinship' and ask 'How is kinship constructed differently cross-culturally?' Firstly, we explore the way adoption is commonplace among the Inupiaq of Alaska, before looking at how the Malays of Langkawi view milk in relation to blood. We then consider how kinship can extend to non-human creatures, such as mountains and plants. Please [click here](#) to listen to the podcast.

Missed any episodes? You can [find them here](#)



> MUSIC NEWS

Soloist Concert – Tues 7th March 1600hrs - Chapel

The soloist concert is a fantastic opportunity for all music students to perform in front of a friendly and encouraging audience. Performing is a vital part of singing or playing an instrument and it's an essential skill to learn for any musician. It is open to all levels of playing however, there are limited spaces so performer are asked to sign up early [here](#). Don't be shy, we would love to hear you perform!

To come and watch, **you must fill in [this form](#) by Mon 6th March 1700hrs**. Parents of students who have signed up to perform will be contacted directly in due course. This is a free event – we look forward to seeing you there!

Hockerill at Ronnie Scott's- An evening of jazz - Weds 15th March – 1900hrs – SAH

Under the direction of the award winning Charlie Bates, the Hockerill College Big Band present an evening of jazz. Supported by the Junior and Senior Jazz Ensembles with a professional House Band and featured soloists, this promises to be an event not to be missed! As well as high calibre performances, your ticket will include table seating and snacks. With drinks available at the bar run by the amazing HPF, excellent company and fine music, it will be just like a night at Ronnie's.

If your child is performing, you should have received a letter via email – please use the email address below to book your table seating.

£15 per person – in tables from 2 up to 6 people.

Tickets go on sale from Monday 20th February on WisePay – limited availability, so be sure to book soon!

After purchasing your tickets, please email HPF@hockerill.com to arrange your table seating.



Hockerill at the Movies – Spring Concert – Tues 28th March – 1900hrs – SAH

Lights, Camera ACTION! Our first ever themed Spring Concert, Hockerill at the Movies is here. With music from Iron Man, James Bond, Frozen, Star Wars, How to Train Your Dragon, Raiders of the Lost Ark; there's something for everyone.

This concert features all extra-curricular music ensembles – a whopping 250 students are performing either as musicians or as part of the stage team. Orchestra, Big Band, Choirs, String Ensembles and many more.

Tickets: £10-Adults and £8-Concessions and go on sale from Monday 20th February on WisePay.

This is a one night only event so tickets will sell quickly!

Refreshments available at the bar.



> LANGUAGE NEWS

San Clemente Rosalia Abanca Literary Award

For the last five years, Hockerill's IB Spanish students have participated in the 'Premio Literario San Clemente Rosalia Abanca', organised by our partner school in Santiago de Compostela, IES Rosalia de Castro. It is an event that celebrates reading, readers and writers, chosen amongst the best contemporary literary works. The awards are organised under three categories: works written in Castilian, Galician, and Foreign Language.

The event is unique as its winning authors are determined by a jury of voluntary Sixth Form students, from various local, national and international schools, who read and vote for the texts they consider the best. Out of Hockerill's participating students (usually Year 13 students of Spanish B Higher Level), two are randomly selected to attend the event, which involves meetings and discussions with the authors, a press conference, an award ceremony, and a formal dinner at the impressive Hostal de los Reyes Católicos. This year we (Sofia and Cecilia Martinelli) were chosen to attend with Dr Millán and Mrs McCulloch.

Hearing the winning authors speak was incredibly rewarding. They explained their unique writing processes, and inspired students to find their own creative voice, assuring them that everyone has a story to tell. Colombian author Sara Jaramillo, author of *Donde cantan las ballenas*, believed writing was a vessel through which readers could better understand real and different experiences, while seeing their own stories reflected in literature. This was especially important to both the Galician author María Rei Vilas, author of *Flores de ferro*, and the Icelandic author, Audur Ava Olafsdóttir, author of *La escritora*, as they expressed the importance of preserving your own language in order to preserve its culture and the unique ways of thinking associated with it.

The award celebrated and promoted minority languages such as Galician, so the trip furthered our interest in exploring lesser-known literatures and cultures to maintain a diverse perspective on life and art through investigating the stories of marginalised people.

Cecilia and Sofia Martinelli

Year 13



> CCF NEWS

Hockerill CCF recently held an onsite field training day on Saturday 04th February. This gave all cadets the opportunity to engage in activities in a fast and robust manner and take their training to the next stage. The cadets were involved in skills such as Basha Building-Contact Drills-Weapon handling with the A2 rifle and shooting the air rifle with some amazing results. 43 Cadets were involved in the training which is a credit to the cadets and the staff. The Contingent Commander Capt Ashlee-McCrae had the honor to announce the following cadet's promotions to Cpl. LCpl Harley Champkins, LCpl Child, LCpl Malcolm, LCpl Reid and LCpl Piper.

Hockerill CCF have managed to obtain four places on the prestigious military SCIC

(Senior Cadet Instructor Course) during half term.

Four of our newly promoted Cpls will attend the course, we have no

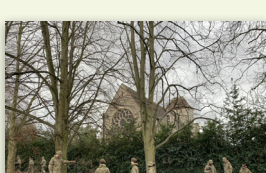
doubt they will shine

and develop new

crafts to help them on

their journey with the

CCF and beyond.



> CAREERS NEWS

Calling for members of school community in the professional world

As we approach National Careers Week in early March and look to develop our careers programme, may we invite you to contribute? Or perhaps you know someone who can?

Careers fair – Present your company or area of work at a stand to pupils, speak about your industry in seminar groups

Careers mentor – Mentor and share information with pupils in groups

Inspirational speaker – Message for young people in the journey, speak on road to success or dealing with failures and challenges. This is a story only you can tell.

Interviewer – Could you be an interviewer for our mock interviews (as an employer), or Oxford/Cambridge mock interviews? (in-depth, highly challenging academic discussions)

[Please click here for the response form](#) and we will be in touch with you.

Thank you in advance for your enthusiasm.

Mr Lee

Head of Careers and University Guidance



> SIXTH FORM

Sixth form 'Steminists' team visit

On Friday 10th February, our sixth form 'Steminists' team visited Little Hadham primary school to discuss our interests in STEM to young students. We gave a presentation about The International Day of Women and Girls in Science (11th February) while exploring the various fields of science open to young people today; this concluded by Ms Wilson demonstrating the combustion of alcohol experiment to the children.

After answering many eager questions, the year 5 and year 6 students split into groups and we collaborated with them on practical experiments, with year 5 doing a refined version of the 'elephant's toothpaste' experiment and year 6 exploring electrical conductivity. The students were very enthusiastic and thoroughly enjoyed the practicals which gave them a taste of the work in secondary school.

It was a brilliant opportunity to meet some of the minds of the future and though we set out to inspire the next generation, their enthusiasm inspired us to continue being curious about all our fields of study. #steminism

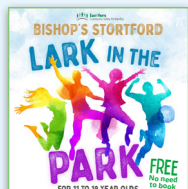


> GENERAL NEWS

East Herts Community Safety Partnership

February Term activities for 11 – 19 year olds, please click on the flyers for more details.

The activities will be held in locations in Hertford, Ware, Buntingford and Bishop's Stortford, on the days and times as detailed in each flyer. There is no need to book – just turn up.



> HOCKERILL PARENTS AND FRIENDS

Uniform Sale

A HUGE thank you to all those parents who donated secondhand uniform to our sale and who came along to support us. We were overwhelmed with the quality of the donations and thanks to your generosity, we raised £651, which will be put directly back into projects within the school community. We are hoping to do another sale next term, so if you have anything else to donate, please drop it off at Reception in a bag marked HPF. As before, we politely ask that items are in decent nick (no holes or stains) and washed.

Thank you!



HPF Comedy Night with THE LAUGHING BISHOP

Hockerill Parents and Friends welcome comedian (and Hockerill parent), Paddy Lennox and his London Comedy Store friends to St Albans Hall on Friday 24th March for an evening of top-class comedy.

- Doors open at 1900hrs
- Tickets £18 - or we are offering an early bird discounted price of £15 - available on Wisepay.
- Licensed bar.
- Over 18s only please.
- All guests must be accompanied by a Hockerill parent or staff member, but friends are welcome!
- If anyone would like to volunteer to help HPF on the bar, it's a great opportunity to get involved. Email Katie Fraser at hpf@hockerill.com or scan the QR code below and fill in your details.

