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Principal's Weekly Update

Dear Parent/Carer,

I should like to commend pupils on their efforts this week, in particular Year 11, who have been completing their progress tests. This is their last assessment point before the GCSE examinations in May. Their Teacher-Parent Consultation Evening takes place on Wednesday 25th March.

House Assemblies Assemblies have focused on teamwork and the launch of the Big Battery Hunt Competition. Pupils have also been invited to design banners for their school house with a competition being launched before the Easter break.

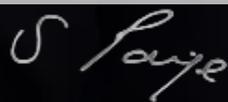
Year 10 Key Assessment Point Year 10 pupils will complete their next assessments the W/C 16th March. This is an important week that will allow teachers, pupils and you, as parents/carers, to evaluate the progress that your child has made since they embarked on their GCSE studies.

Mobile Phones We continue to implement our policy with the expectation that phones and digital devices are not seen or heard in school. Thank you for your continued support. There is much concern amongst parents about the impact that mobile phones and the access to online sites can have on young people. Everyone has their own opinion and, with this in mind, I should like to draw your attention to the national survey that was launched to gather the views of the nation including children. Further details can be found in the newsletter.

World Plumbing Day Thank you to the Pipework Department who spent time sharing their knowledge and skills with pupils including the school's Eco Team, teaching them how to connect pipes.

Breakfast Club Pupils are invited to attend daily from 8-8:20am.

We wish you a restful and warm weekend.



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Theme of the Week

Teamwork

"Coming together is a beginning. Keeping together is progress. Working together is success." - Henry Ford

KEY DATES

Year 10 Key
Assessment Point
W/C Mon 16th March

Year 9 Options Evening
Mon 16th March

KS3 Key Assessment
Point
W/C Mon 23rd March

Year 11 Parents'
Evening
Wed 25th March

Year 7 Stay Safe Day
Tues 31st March

Attendance Target: 97%

7A – 95.2%

8B – 97.2%

9D – 98.3%

10E – 97.7%

11E – 96.8%

Department News - Library



The Scholastic Book Fair has arrived in the Library for a limited two-week period. Pupils and staff are warmly invited to browse and purchase from the wide selection of books that are available to purchase. Every order directly supports our school Library in expanding its collection.

The Carnegie shortlist has now been announced, and both pupils and staff are welcome to attend our Hooked on Books Club – Carnegie Edition, held every Wednesday lunchtime. During these sessions, we will be ‘shadowing’ the shortlist, giving readers the opportunity to explore, discuss and review the nominated titles. The club aims to foster a love of reading, encourage critical thinking, and build confidence in sharing personal viewpoints.



All shortlisted books are available to access in the Library or via the Sora App.

For more information, visit [Carnegies.co.uk](https://www.carnegies.co.uk)

You can explore the 1,000s of books and magazines online for free using your school login on the SORA app.



Library Lunch Opening Times

Year 7 and Year 8 – 12.30pm – 1.00pm

Years 9, 10 and 11- 1.00pm – 1.25pm

My **BOOK FAIR** wish list

If you spot any books you like at the Book Fair, you can write them down on your wish list below

NAME:	CLASS:
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TITLE	PRICE

Information for Parents and Guardians

If you'd like to purchase any of the books your child has listed and want to avoid sending cash into school, you can pay online at bookfairs.scholastic.co.uk/pay or by purchasing Book Fair gift vouchers. You can find out more about the books available and confirm prices at bookfairs.scholastic.co.uk/bookcases

Pay Online: (this is a payment platform only, you do not enter your order)

Visit bookfairs.scholastic.co.uk/pay

If you're at the Book Fair, or if your child has attended and chosen their books, you can now pay online using our secure parent payment system. Once payment is complete, to place your order return this wish list to your school so your child's books can be supplied from the book fair.

Reference number:	Total order value: £
Books Purchased:	
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Pay with Gift Vouchers:

Avoid handling cash with pre-paid gift vouchers. Visit bookfairs.scholastic.co.uk/parents to purchase, available in £5, £10, £15, £20 and £25.

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Notes from the Glasshouse

Eco Team

Pupils from Eco Team had a rather different experience this week, as they were invited to celebrate World Plumbing Day with the Pipework Department. Pupils were shown how to connect pipes and then tested these. The team has been interested in the water collection tanker next to the Glasshouse and Mrs Mawer has said she will come and look at it with them in the future.



Gardening Club

Gardening Club started the job of planting this week, sewing radishes and peas and also some seed potatoes. Everything is definitely a bit of an experiment, but pupils are excited to see what grows well and the group is hoping that they will have a good harvest in a few months time.

If anybody has any donations of seeds, compost etc, the team would be most grateful to receive it.



Sports News

Year 8 Football

UAH 6 Spalding Academy 2

After the winter break, the Year 8 returned to their games, playing Spalding Academy. It was great to see a few Year 7 players stepping up a year group to support the team. Some excellent one touch passing and movement allowed us a great result against the Spalding team. Goals from Kian J, Reegan W, Jack A (Year 7 – Hat trick) and an own goal.

On Thursday 12th March, the Year 8 team played their second match of the week, against Bourne Grammar. The weather conditions did not make the game easy, with Bourne coming out eventual winners, 5-2. Goals came from Amelia P and Kian J. The team had a difficult first half against the wind, find it hard to get to grips with a strong attacking side from Bourne. In the second half, the team turned it round, marking tight and creating more chances, eventually winning the half 2 -1.

U15 Futsal Tournament

Our U15 girls recently attended a School Games Futsal tournament at Haven High, where they showed great teamwork, effort, and determination throughout the event facing 10 schools from across the local area. The games were fast paced, with goals coming from Amelia P and Eloise W. Special mention to Jasmine F who was fantastic in goal! Big thank you to School Games for the excellent delivery and smooth running of the day.

Squad: Amelia E, Amelia P, Eloise W, Jasmine F, Brooke G, Millie A, Sara S, Claire B.



English Stars of the Week

Zak S
Marilyn C
Freya C
Elisha P
Elsie C
Harry H
Lordy D
Taylor F-M
Eddie C
Erim A

Mathematician of the Week

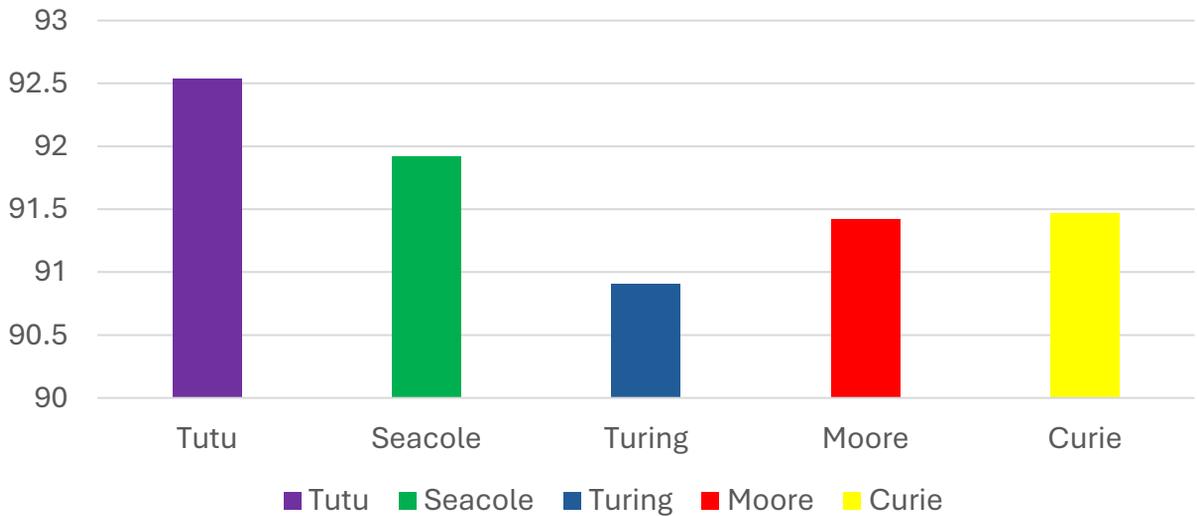
Ano M
Reed G
Alfie G
Callum L
Harry R
Dougie K
Jayden B
Peyton T
William S
Rebecca F

House News

House Attendance

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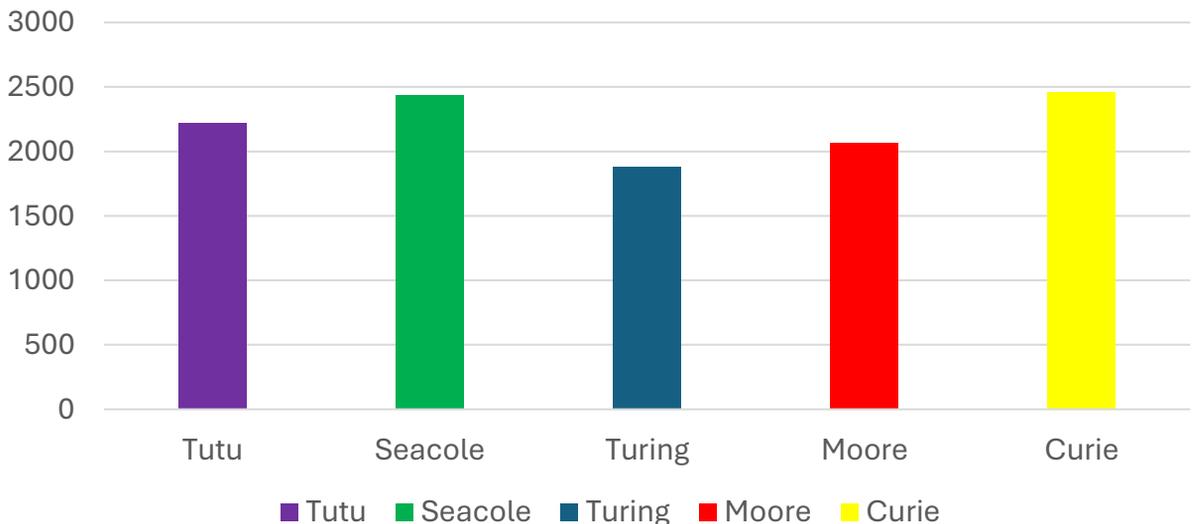
Attendance



House Achievement

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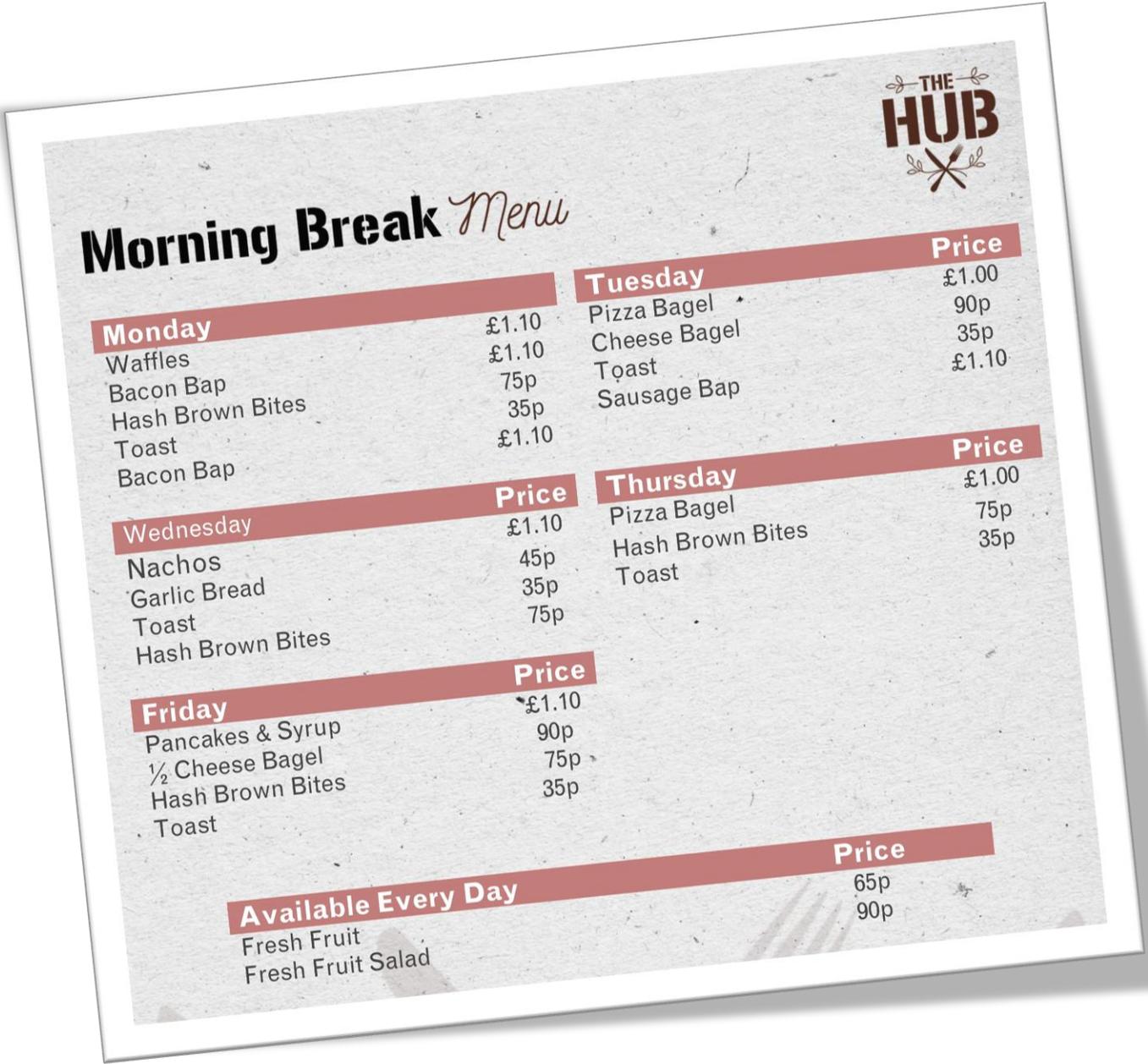
Praise Points



The Hub

Breakfast Menu

The canteen is open to all pupils from 8am for a light breakfast.
Prices start at 35p



THE HUB

Morning Break Menu

Day	Item	Price	
Monday	Waffles	£1.10	
	Bacon Bap	£1.10	
	Hash Brown Bites	75p	
	Toast	35p	
	Bacon Bap	£1.10	
Tuesday	Pizza Bagel	£1.00	
	Cheese Bagel	90p	
	Toast	35p	
	Sausage Bap	£1.10	
Wednesday	Nachos	£1.10	
	Garlic Bread	45p	
	Toast	35p	
	Hash Brown Bites	75p	
Thursday	Pizza Bagel	£1.00	
	Hash Brown Bites	75p	
	Toast	35p	
Friday	Pancakes & Syrup	£1.10	
	½ Cheese Bagel	90p	
	Hash Brown Bites	75p	
	Toast	35p	
Available Every Day	Fresh Fruit	65p	
	Fresh Fruit Salad	90p	

The Hub



Grab & Go Menu

Monday	
Tomato Pasta	£1.95*
Tugo Pizza Slice	£1.60*
BBQ Chicken Wrap	£2.00*
Tuesday	
Tomato Pasta	£1.95*
Sausage Roll	£1.65*
French Bread Pizza	£1.65*
Wednesday	
Tomato Pasta	£1.95*
Chicken Flatbread	£2.00*
Pannini Cheese, Cheese & Ham or Tuna & Cheese	£2.00*
Thursday	
Tomato Pasta	£1.95*
Fishfinger in a wrap	£1.65*
Mayo Chicken Wrap	£2.00*
Pizza	£1.60*
Friday	
Tugo Pizza Slice	£1.60*
Pizza & Chips	£2.00*
Southern Fried Chicken Burger	£2.00*

JACKET POTATOES AVAILABLE EVERY DAY

*In Meal Deal

Water Bottles

Please note we are once again selling water bottles. These new bottles are available from Pupil Reception for £1.50. Pupils can pay electronically and these are also available to order on ParentPay. If you purchase one via ParentPay, pupils should then go to Pupil Reception to collect them.

The Hub



Lunch Menu

WEEK TWO – AUTUMN/WINTER

(V) veg option

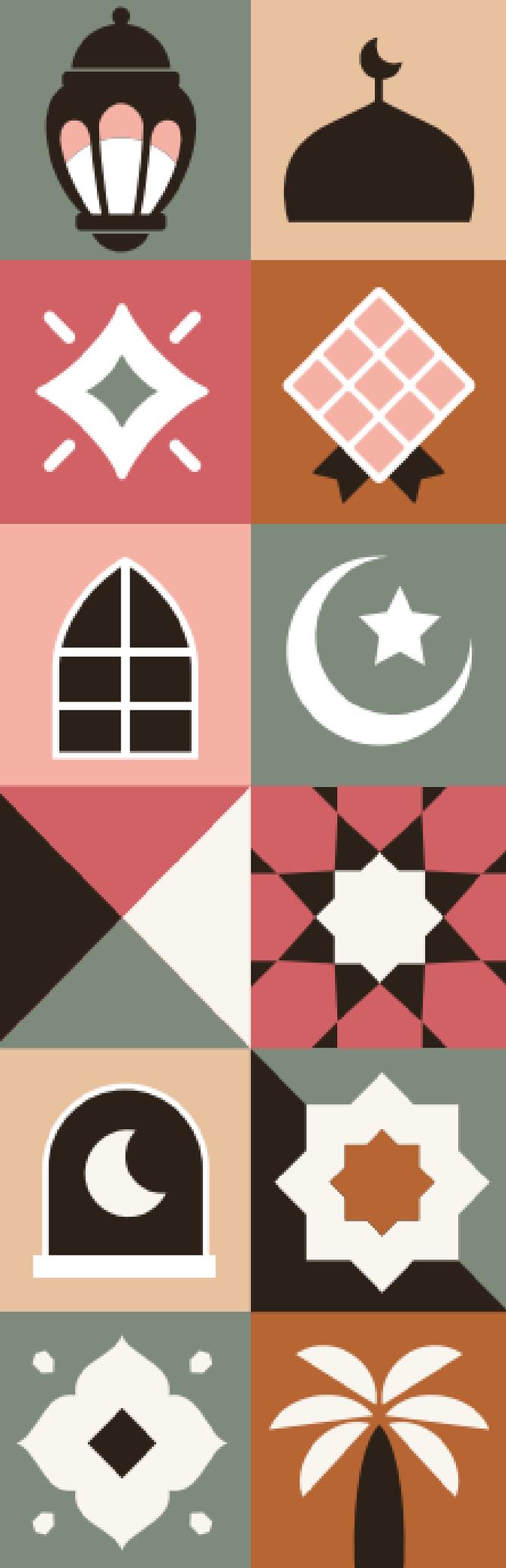


	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
STAR DISH	Cheese & Tomato Pizza Macaroni Cheese (V)	Chicken Tikka & Steamed Rice	Roast Gammon with Roast Potatato & Gravy	Sausage & Mash with Caramalised Onion Gravy	Sustainably Sourced Battered Fish & Chips Chicken Nuggets ,Chips & Beans
MEAT FREE	Buffalo Cauliflower & Mixed Bean Burrito (V)	Pasta with Roasted Veg & Tomato Sauce	Roasted Lentil Loaf with Glaze with Roast Potatoes	Vegemince Cottage Pie	Cheese & Tomato Pizza & Chips
	Vegetables, Baked Beans, Mixed Salad	Roasted Sweetcorn Baked Beans, Mixed Salad	Mixed Veg, Baked Beans, Mixed Salad	Veg Baked Beans, Mixed Salad	Peas, Baked Beans, Mixed Salad
HOT PUDS		Iced Sponge with Custard	Treacle Sponge with Custard	Marble Sponge with Custard	

Cold Food Pre-Ordering Trial

The Canteen is pleased to announce that they will be trialling a new system for pupils to order cold food items. Pupils will need to come to the Canteen at breaktime to order and pay for cold food items. These can then be collected at lunchtime, when they queue to come in.

Please note, this is a trial and we will be reviewing and amending the process over the next few weeks.



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CATERING TEAM FOR
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Government Consultation on Mobile Phones



The Government has launched a landmark consultation on UK children's digital wellbeing, covering social media age bans, curfews, AI chatbots and gaming.

We would encourage all families to participate in this. Further details can be found on the following link:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/growing-up-in-the-online-world-a-national-consultation>

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SUBJECT DISCOVERY FAIR

From finance to nursing, law to creative arts, and engineering to teaching, get all your questions answered by the experts!

Wednesday 18 March, 4pm - 6:30pm



scan to
sign up



<https://webapp.spotme.com/login/eventspace/subject-discovery-fair>

Spotlight on 6th Form



A Levels – Law, History & Philosophy

Jack had chosen to continue his studies at UAH within our Sixth Form and had a clear vision of the subjects he wanted to study. Remaining with us has allowed him to deepen his passion for History whilst also developing a growing interest in Law and Philosophy.

The A-Level Law course is a demanding two-year programme assessed entirely through examinations. Far from simply memorizing legislation, students are encouraged to explore the principles underpinning the English Legal System. Jack and his peers examine a wide range of topics, from the processes of law-making to the complexities of Criminal Law and Tort. Whether analysing the intricacies of a murder case or debating issues relating to negligence and human rights, students are consistently challenged to apply legal theory to both real and hypothetical scenarios.

This week, Jack experienced a taste in the courtroom practice during a mock trial exercise. Acting for the prosecution, he led the questioning of a staff member in a simulated GBH case – an opportunity that allowed him to demonstrate his analytical abilities and develop his advocacy skills.

Jack is still exploring his long term options but has expressed an interest in pursuing a Law degree at University.

To enrol for A Levels, you will need 5 GCSEs Grade 5 or above PLUS a 6 or above in your chosen subjects

UAH Pupils: Click on the personalised link sent to your UAH email inbox

External candidates, apply here: www.uah.applicaa.com

Department News – Sixth Form

During tutor time this week, students explored the topic of personal hygiene – examining what it entails, why it is important and the practical steps needed to maintain it effectively.

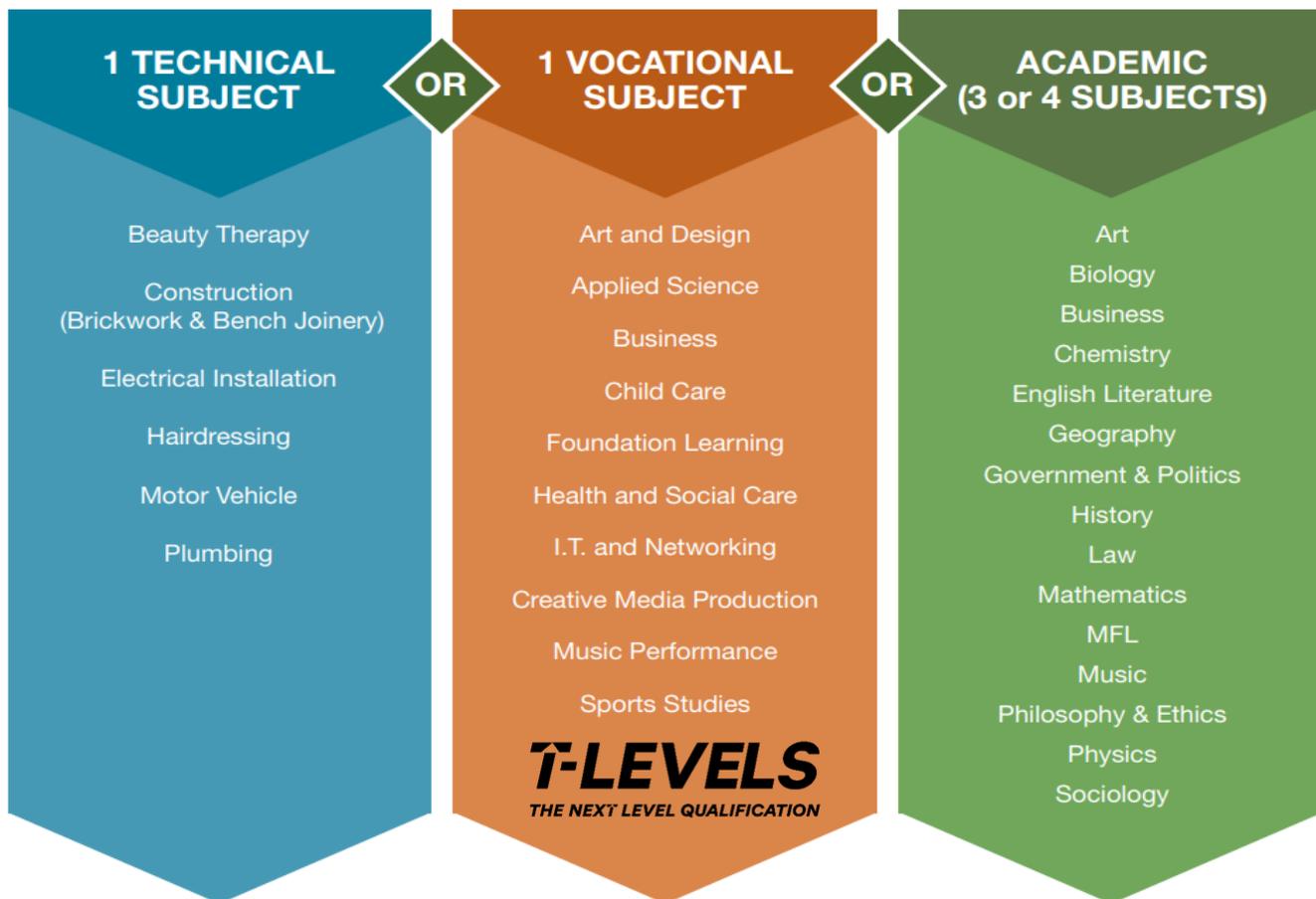


Year 13 students focused on personal progression and the value of learning for enjoyment. They also received guidance on using Unifrog to support their research, helping them deepen their understanding and broaden their knowledge in their chosen areas of interest.



Apprentices and Level 2 Technical Plumbing students welcomed a representative from Aqualisa, who delivered a presentation and practical training session on the installation and maintenance of both new and existing products. Students had the opportunity for hands-on exploration of current technologies and gained valuable insight into the company's structure, innovation processes, and the range of career pathways available at Aqualisa – highlighting potential progression routes following their plumbing course.

Your Choice - you will need to choose from:



GRADE REQUIREMENTS

Level 1 courses - 5 GCSEs 9-1

Level 2 courses - 5 GCSEs 9-3

Level 3 courses (including T Levels) -
5 GCSEs 9-4 including
Maths & English

A Level courses - 5 GCSEs 5 or above
Plus a 6 or above in your chosen subjects

Extra Curricular Clubs

At University Academy Holbeach, we are proud to offer a programme of extra curricular activities, designed to support their interests, learn new skills and help them reach their full potential. From sports and creative arts to academic support and special interest groups, there is something for everyone to enjoy

Monday

Club	Time	Room	Year
Silent reading and craft	Break and Lunch	LRC	All
Homework Club	Lunch	Language Lab	All
Keyboard Club	12:30 – 1pm	Music 1	All
Mash Up!	12:30 – 12:55pm	Music 2	All
Y7, Y8 & Y9 Football	12:30 – 12:55pm	Field	KS3
KS3 Girls T1 Rugby	12:30 – 12:55pm	Field	KS3
Gymnastics / Dance	12:30 – 12:55	Gym	All
Fitness Suite (Girls)	12:55 – 1:20pm	Fitness Suite	All
Spanish Club	12:30 – 12:55	Language Lab	All
Indoor Cricket	12:55 – 1:20pm	Sports Hall	11
Talent Show Rehearsals	12:30 – 12:55pm	Sports Hall	9
Knit and Natter	12:30 – 12:55pm	Room 1	All
Programming with Micro:Bits	12:30 – 12:55pm	6Cisco	All

Club	Time	Room	Year
Independent practice	3:35 – 4:30pm	Music 2	All
Trampolining	3:45 - 4:45pm	Sports Hall	All
Darts – Group 2	3:45 - 4:45pm	Gym	All

Please note: our club offerings are subject to change throughout the academic year

Extra Curricular Clubs

Tuesday

Club	Time	Room	Year
Silent reading and craft	Break and Lunch	LRC	All
Homework Club	Lunch	Language Lab	All
Ukelele Club	10:00 – 10.30am	Music 2	All
Orchestra	12:30 – 1:00pm	Music 2	All
Young Carers	12:30 – 1:00pm	Glasshouse	All
Sociology Drop-In / Intervention	12:30 – 12:55pm	Science 9	11
Dungeons & Dragons	12:30 – 1:00pm	4	All
Warhammer	12:30 – 1:00pm	4	All
Chess	12:30 – 1:15pm	T4	All
Yoga	12:30 – 12:55pm	Gym	All
GCSE PE Intervention	12:30pm – 12:55pm	Science 12	11
Golf	12:55 – 1:20pm	Gym	All
KS3 Boys Rugby (Contact)	12:30 – 12:55pm	Field	KS3
Cricket (Girls)	12:55 – 1:20pm	Sports Hall	All
Science Club	12:30 – 1:00pm	Science Club	7
Knit and Natter	12:30 – 12:55pm	1	All
British Sign Language Club	12:30 – 12:55pm	IT3	7-10
Debate Club	12:30 – 12:55pm	12	7-10

Club	Time	Room	Year
Independent practice	3:35 – 4:30pm	Music 2	All
Badminton	3:45 - 4:45pm	Sports Hall	All

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Extra Curricular Clubs

Wednesday

Club	Time	Room	Year
Silent reading and craft	Break and Lunch	LRC	All
Homework Club	Lunch	Language Lab	All
Eco Team	12:30 – 1:00pm	Glasshouse	All
Rock Club	12:30 – 1:00pm	Music 2	All
Music Production	12:30 – 1:00pm	Music 1	All
Pride Club	12:30 – 12:55pm	Upper LRC	All
Religious Studies Drop-In / Intervention	12:30 – 12:55pm	Science 9	11
Lunch time fitness	12:30 – 12:55pm	Fitness Suite	All
Y7&8 Basketball	12:30 – 12:55pm	Sports Hall	7-8
Geography Club	12:30 – 12:55pm	15	7-9
Blooket Club	12:30 – 12:55pm	Language Lab	KS3
Y10 Football	12:30 – 12:55pm	Field	10
Bronze Duke of Edinburgh	12:30 – 1:20pm	16	10
All Years Netball	12:55 – 1:20pm	Sports Hall	All
Animation Club	12:30 – 1:00pm	Art 3	8
Graphics DT / RM	12:30 – 1:20pm	DT Graphics	KS4
Knit and Natter	12:30 – 12:55pm	1	All
Hooked on Books	12:30 – 1:00pm	LRC	All

Club	Time	Room	Year
Independent practice	3:35 – 4:30pm	Music 2	All
GCSE Trampolining	3:45 – 4:45pm	Sports Hall	KS4
Chamber Choir	3:45 – 4:30pm	Music 2	All

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Extra Curricular Clubs

Thursday

Club	Time	Room	Year
Silent reading and craft	Break and Lunch	LRC	All
Homework Club	Lunch	Language Lab	All
UAH Community Champions	12:30 – 1:00pm	Upper LRC	All
Concert Singers	12:30 – 1:00pm	Music 2	All
Dungeons and Dragons	12:55 – 1:25pm	4	All
Warhammer	12:55 – 1:25pm	4	All
Graphics DT / RM	12:30 – 1:20pm	DT Graphics	KS4
Girls Football	12:30 – 12:55pm	Field	All
Y10 Basketball	12:30 – 12:55pm	Sports Hall	10
F1 in Schools	12:30 – 1:00pm	Science 12	7-9
French GCSE Revision	12:55 – 1:20pm	Language Lab	11
Lunchtime Fitness	12:30 – 12:55pm	Fitness Suite	All
Darts – Group 1	12:30 – 1:20pm	Gym	All
Entrepreneur Club	12:30 – 1:20pm	T2	All

Club	Time	Room	Year
Independent practice	3:35 – 4:30pm	Music 2	All
KS4/5 Fitness Suite	3:45 – 4:45pm	Fitness Suite	KS4/5
Y9/10 Indoor Cricket Nets	3:45 – 4:45pm	Sports Hall	Y9/10

FRIDAY

Club	Time	Room	Year
Silent reading and craft	Break and Lunch	LRC	All
Homework Club	Lunch	Language Lab	All
Y11 Football	12:55 – 1:20pm	Field	11
Netball	12:30 – 12:55pm	Sports Hall	7/8
Table Tennis	12:30 – 12:55pm	Sports Hall	All
Book Buddies (SEN)	12:30 – 12:55pm	5	7
Badminton	12:55 – 1:20pm	Sports Hall	All
Fitness Suite	12:30 – 12:55pm	Fitness Suite	All
Gardening Club	12:30 – 1:00pm	Glasshouse	7

CADET RECRUITMENT IS OPEN FROM 1ST APRIL TO 13TH MAY



Apply to join the cadet programme at Lincolnshire Police to learn new skills, meet new people, learn about policing, and support your local community.

FIND OUT MORE AND APPLY ON OUR WEBSITE.

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For more information and to download an application form visit: www.lincs.police.uk/cadets



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Mothering Sunday

All Saints' Church Holbeach has a special Mothering Sunday service on Sunday 15th March at 10.30 a.m.

We would welcome all parents and children - there's a special little gift for children to give to their mums.



ALL SAINTS CHURCH
HOLBEACH

CAFE CHURCH

Mothering Sunday

10.30am All Welcome