



Hartshill Academy

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Hartshill Academy New Build



There have been lots of exciting updates over the last few weeks. The solar panels have been installed on the roof and internal progress has been made with the fitting of the flooring and carpet.

Our Pupil Leadership Team are visiting the build this week and we are looking forward to showing them their new Academy!

Thank you for your patience with updates on the move to our new building. We are meeting with the Department for Education and our builders Wates next week for our monthly meeting. We will have more information for pupils, parents and staff about the start of next term after this meeting. As ever it has been a busy week. Today alone in school we have Year 10 exams, Assemblies from PC Marsten for Years 7, 8 and 9, the MAT Sports Competition and the Pupil Leadership Team visit to the New Build.

Next Week we will be welcoming our Year 6 pupils for their Transition Days at Hartshill Academy. They have two packed days where they will learn more about secondary school, the Hartshill Academy Houses and our HART values. I look forward to seeing some of you in July at our Summer Showcase. Our pupils have been shown great heart and ambition preparing for their performances and we are excited to see the final show.



ACADEMY NEWS

July 2023

English and Languages Faculty

This month, Miss Jones and the Hartshill Shakespeare Club welcomed a member of the Royal Shakespeare Company to our Academy. The pupils got to perform some famous scenes and had guidance from an expert. A fabulous, theatrical day was had by all involved!

Additionally, all year groups have demonstrated excellent tenacity in their End of Year Exams – well done to all!



Mathematics and Computing Faculty

It has been a busy time over the month as years 7, 8, 9 and 10 completed their end of year exams. We are delighted with the effort that so many of the pupils have taken in their attempts to achieve the maximum marks possible. Well done! We would like to congratulate all the pupils on their hard work this year with particular praise going to those pupils who completed extra homework and attended the maths club sessions after school on Wednesdays!

YEAR GROUP CLASS LEADERS	
Maths class	Teacher
7a/Ma1	Mr Cheong
8a/Ma1	Mr Cheong
9b/Ma1	Mr Cheong
10a/Ma2	Miss Shepherd

[Sparx update](#)
w/c 26th June

YEAR GROUP PUPIL LEADERS		
Name	Maths class	Total XP
Harley	7b/Ma2	28,684
Ethan	8a/Ma1	106,881
Henley	9a/Ma1	46,920
Leah	10a/Ma1	112,500

★ TOP 10 SCHOOL LEADERS ★		
Name	Maths class	Total XP
Leah	10a/Ma1	112,500
Ethan	8a/Ma1	106,881
Henley	9a/Ma1	46,920
Izzy	8b/Ma1	33,215
Michelle	8b/Ma2	29,595
Harley	7b/Ma2	28,684
Harriet	9a/Ma2	28,400
Riley-James	7a/Ma4	25,023
Kory	7a/Ma3	24,788
Megan	8b/Ma1	23,415

Science Faculty

The Royal Institution for Science visited Hartshill Academy this month and they put on a spectacular show for our pupils and the wider community.

The "We've Got The Power" show looked at different ways that power could be generated; from using coal as a combustible fuel to friction to using the movement of a magnet through a coil of wire forming an electromagnet.

Both Year 7 and Year 8 had a fantastic time and were fabulous spectators and participants!

In other news, Miss Wicker was extracting DNA from strawberries with her Year 9 class. The results were really impressive!



Careers

It has been a busy term in Hartshill Academy Careers. We have visited Universities, Careers Seekers Direct have delivered employability workshops to Year 9s, we visited NWSLC STEAM Event and we've been visited by Energy Quest, Medical Mavericks and much more! Here are a few highlights.



All Year 8 pupils visited the Big Bang Careers Fair at the NEC which was packed full of interactive activities linked to Science, Technology, Engineering and Math's (STEM)



Year 10 participated in practice interviews where all pupils were interviewed by a volunteer employer and given constructive feedback. There were some nerves but everyone took part and one employer commented how the standard of interviews were very high and it was a pleasure to interview our pupils. Thank you to all the employers who took time out of their day to volunteer – we couldn't do it without you!



Our annual Careers Fair took place in June. Over 20 employers, colleges, sixth forms and apprenticeship providers came along to give timely information about post 16 options to pupils and parents. We even had a visit from ex-pupil George Keeling who is now a Foreman Fitter at a local employer Ivor King – lovely to seeing you doing so well George!

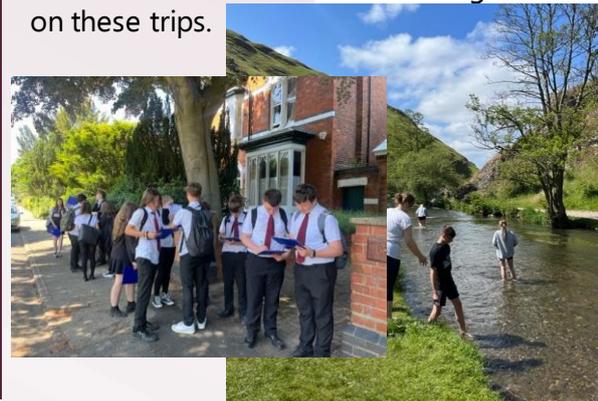
Humanities Faculty

Year 10 had a fantastic time collecting data for their physical and human fieldwork enquiries in the Peak District.

Along the River Dove they collected measurements for velocity, depth and rock angularity to investigate how river characteristics change downstream.

On their second case study in Birmingham pupils explored how quality of life differs in different parts of the city, they carried out pedestrian counts, environmental quality surveys and looked at building decay. Whilst in Birmingham pupils visited places experiencing regeneration, studentification and gentrification, which will support them in core knowledge of human processes in the autumn term of Y11.

We would like to give gratitude to pupils for their behaviour and time management on these trips.



Creative and Performance Faculty

Spotlight: Performing Arts



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Creative and Performance

Pupils in the Creative Faculty have been working extremely hard during extra-curricular, ready for our Summer Showcase.

An evening of Music through the decades, It begins in 1957 when our current school building was opened, to today, with a piece composed by our very own Lola Beaufoy in Year 10.

Please come and join us on Tuesday 11th July to celebrate the talent of our Hartshill pupils.

Summer Showcase!

When: Tuesday 11th July
6.30pm

Where: Hartshill Academy

Tickets: £3.50

Available on Weduc or on the door.

Through the Decades

an evening of Art, Dance and Music.

Pastoral Update

We bid a bittersweet 'au revoir' to Miss Bates, as she commenced her maternity leave this month. We send her with our love and warm wishes, and hope that all are healthy and well. We look forward to sharing an update soon!

Year 11 Leavers was a wonderful event – see you at Prom!

Uniform and punctuality expectations are high and our pupils have shown their respect for this this half-term. We are very proud of the pupils who arrive at Hartshill Academy everyday in their full uniform, on time, ready to learn. Pupils may wear tailored shorts (trouser material) in place of school trousers or a skirt. Please note cycling shorts are not allowed in PE.



Safeguarding Update

Vaping Fast Facts:

- Vapes come in many shapes and sizes. Some might look like everyday items such as pens or flash drives or even hoody drawstrings!
- These 'e-cigarettes' use a heated metal coil within a covering to create inhalable vapour from a liquid form of nicotine called 'e-liquid'.
- E-liquid ('e-juice' or 'vape juice') is a formula composed of nicotine and other chemical ingredients.

Red Flags:

Vaping can be a lot more discrete than smoking, and may be happening without a parent, carer, or teacher noticing it. There are various signs to be aware of with youth vaping, such as:

- An unexplained cough, wheeze, or shortness of breath.
- Empty disposable vapes, plastic cartridges, containers, or bottles.
- Irritable behaviour if unable to go outside or have a break.
- Sudden mood swings, frustrations, paranoia, or anxiety.



Houses Update

As we draw to a close towards the end of the school year, which house will finish on top?

There is still loads of fun to be had with Sports Day just around the corner, there will be finals in 100m, 200m, relay, and tug of war and even the teachers are getting involved in competing for their houses.

Rewards assemblies will be taking place to see which form has had the most positives for their house in each year group, along with the pupil who has had the most positive points overall for the year.

We have updated the house logos ready for the new build and they look amazing.

House points so far	
Baber bears	165,048
Drayton Deers	186,497
Evans Eagles	146,497
Newton Nighthawks	149,456





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