



Mr Wilson's Weekly Message

As we prepare for our final half-term of 2016-17, it is an appropriate time to reflect upon everything that has been achieved over the first half of the summer term. Even from the past week, there is much to be celebrated. We are confident that we have sent our Year 11 into their GCSE exams as the best prepared cohort the school has seen, our Year 8 students put together some fantastic presentation bids as part of the First Give competition on Monday evening, and we won our first piece of major sporting silverware, as our Year 10 boys put Burlington Danes to the sword at Loftus Road on Sunday afternoon. We enjoyed a celebration with Year 11 on Wednesday afternoon with some pizza in the sun to mark all the hard work they have done so far, and generally summer has brought with it a delightful feel to the school.

Where there is happiness in one place, sadly there is often tragedy in another. We stand together with the rest of the country in thinking of those affected by the atrocities in Manchester earlier this week. We stand together in condemning those twisted enough to believe in taking innocent lives, and we stand united with those who believe that love will always triumph hate—it is only love that has the power to change the world for the better. The latter is the message I would like you to take away with you and reflect upon over the half-term break.

Labour MP Candidate visits The Hurlingham Academy

On Thursday 25th May, we welcomed Alan De'Ath, a local councillor and Labour's candidate in Hammersmith and Fulham in the upcoming General Election. Mr De'Ath spoke to our students about the importance of voting and the impact people can make when they participate in democratic processes. The way he answered questions will no doubt have been useful for our own candidates for when we hold our own THA election! Mr De'Ath was impressed by the questions asked by our students, especially Shiloh Marshall who he singled out for showing particular curiosity.



U13 Cricket v Burlington Danes



On Wednesday 24th May, our U13 boys travelled to Burlington Danes Academy to contest a cricket match. After bowling first, we completed ten overs with BDA scoring 57 runs with 3 out. We then came in to bat and finished with a score of 25-5. A greatly competed affair, with both teams showing lots of respect for each other. Particularly well done to Haytham and Giorgio who performed very well and earned praise from the staff at BDA.

More cricket to come and after-school cricket club starting after half term.



Year 10 Boys win Regional Cup!



The boys had been waiting for this day. The day that THA would once again grace the turf at Loftus Road. Most of the squad arrived at school and travelled to the ground on the school mini-bus, creating a great sense of togetherness before kick-off. All pupils wore full uniform and looked absolutely fantastic as they took the cup final with such professionalism. We started off as a 4-5-1/4-3-3 with Tyrell Butler as captain, who from the first touch was imperious in midfield. After an early injury to Roger, we also made a change at centre

back with THA losing 1-0 at this point. Josh Rea came on at centre back to replace Beder, which meant Tommy James pushed further up the pitch into centre midfield alongside his old partners Danyaal Mian and Tyrell. After a lot of pressure applied to BDA we still went into half time 1-0 down. Mr Pudney spoke passionately about his confidence in the squad and that it was inevitable that a goal was about to come. Shortly after the restart, a free-flowing move down the left found Kevin unmarked in the penalty area who with great composure struck home on the half-volley to draw the game level: 1-1. Abdi and Abdalla then entered the field, and with his first touch Abdi whipped the ball with his right foot into the far corner of the goal, leaving their keeper with no chance: 2-1 up. The boys smelt blood and did not stop there. After a carefully planned move, Josh Rea was found in the area and without hesitation put the ball in the back of the net: 3-1. THA should have capitalised further but could not continue to punish their opposition. In the dying moments BDA were awarded a soft penalty for handball which they converted. This did not cause the boys to panic as they saw the game out as 3-2 winners. Man of the Match was awarded to Tyrell Butler by his QPR official spectators, and he was also the man to lift the trophy, sending our players and fans into hysterics. Great day out and fully rewarding for all involved on this day and throughout the season. Well done, we are very proud.

Key dates for week beginning June 5th

Description	Date	Time
Summer 2 Term begins	05.06.17	8.25
Spelling Bee	05.06.17	After School
French Trip returns (departs Friday 2nd June)	05.06.17	AM



The Hurlingham Academy

The best in everyone™

Part of United Learning