



## Mr Wilson's Weekly Message

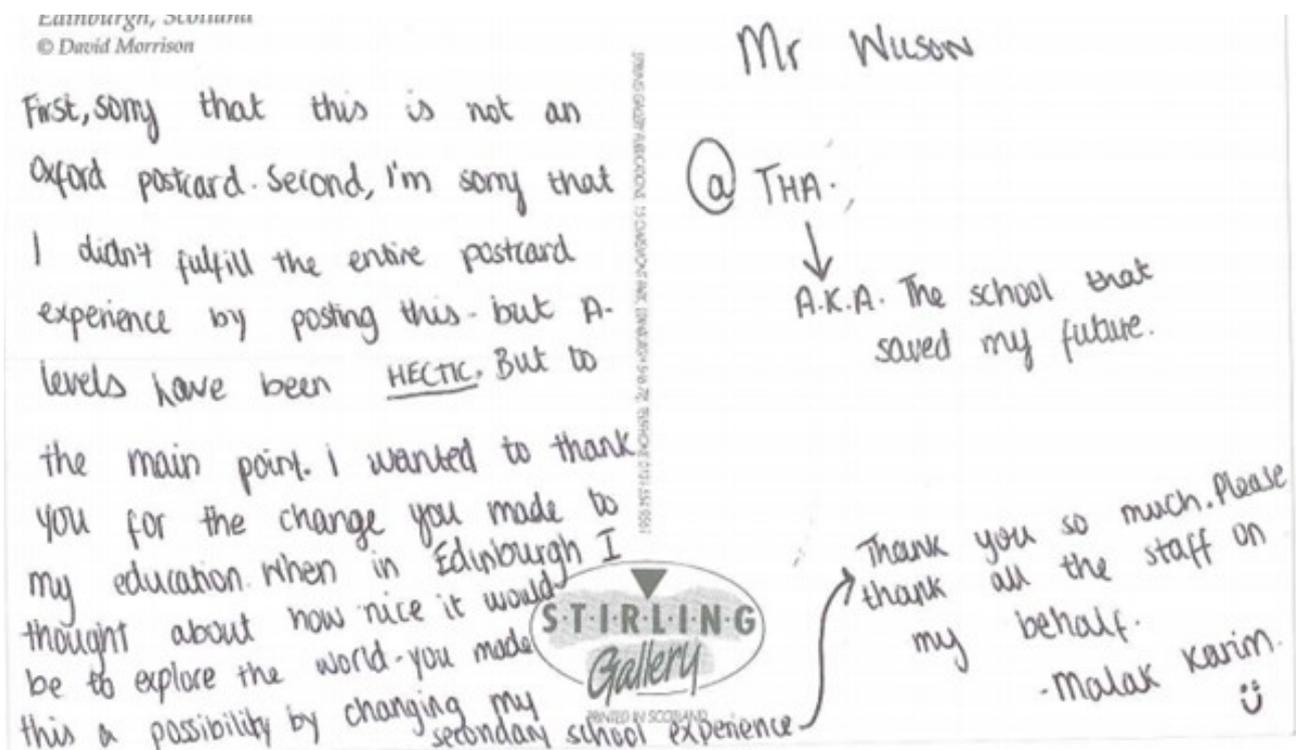


I am delighted to announce that we have much cause for celebration here at The Hurlingham Academy. The publication of the school league tables has revealed that students at The Hurlingham Academy achieved a positive Progress 8 score of 0.53. We are so proud to be ranked the third highest of all secondary schools in Hammersmith and Fulham. Our final GCSE results for students' grades in English and Maths are 61% of pupils achieved a Grade 5 or better, while 73% achieved a Grade 4 and above.

I am very pleased that our GCSE outcomes and progress measures last summer show such significant improvement, putting us considerably above the national average for Progress 8. This means that, from their individual starting points, students are performing better at The Hurlingham Academy than they would at many schools elsewhere.

Everyone at the academy has worked incredibly hard over the past few years to raise standards and ensure that our students are receiving the best education possible, solidified by our recent 'Good' Ofsted. We are so proud to have delivered year-on-year improvement thus far and to have firmly established our ambition for students and for the whole school community.

As ever, I continue to be humbled by the hard work, commitment and dedication of the young people in our care. This week, I received a note of gratitude from a former pupil that I would like to share with you:



## Mr Wilson's Commendations

As introduced last week, I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate all those pupils who are working hard both in lessons and at home. It is such a pleasure to see so many pupils going the extra mile, and I have no doubt this will reflect in their assessments.

This week's Hegarty leader board is as follows:

Year 7 - Phoebe

Year 8 - Luqmaan

Year 9 - Jamil

Year 10 - Rebecca with Melak as a very close second

Year 11- Yekram



A particular congratulations to Luqmaan who was top of the whole school this week. Next week I would like to see more year 11s towards the top of the leader board, as Hegarty will be vital to securing their maths grade in the summer.



I would also like to congratulate Christopher Corbin, our second pupil to complete the whole Tassomai course. Allyssa and Shaima have also been working hard on their Tassomai this week, with both pupils having now completed over half the course.

Finally I would like to congratulate Samiya, Kimberly, Mischa and Anisa as these were our top readers from each house. Excellent work girls and well done for earning so many points for your respective houses.

## UKMT Maths Challenge

Next Thursday our top mathematicians from year 9, 10 and 11 will be completing nationally in the UKMT maths challenge. It is the first time we have entered as an academy and we are expecting some excellent results. A special well done to all those year 9 and 10 pupils who have been giving up their lunch times this week to attend practice sessions in the maths department. The enthusiasm and competitive spirit is in full swing. We wish you all the best of luck and look forward to seeing the results.



## Arm Wrestling Competition with Ms Subhan

We are fully aware that Hurlingham students have got the brains but Wednesday's House Arm-Wrestling competition was a test of their mettle - to see whether or not they had the brawn! It was fantastic to see as many girls as well as boys participate with so much vigour and enthusiasm. The competitive spirit of all the houses was alive in every sense of the word. Houses were to receive 3 points for a win and 1 point for a loss, so there was everything to play for. Although it seemed a close call by simply glancing at the total tally sheets at the end, upon calculation, there was a clear victor: Veritas (with an outstanding 150 points)! Second place went to Unitas ( 113 points), followed by Aequitas in third ( 106 points). Although Caritas finished last (71 points), their determination was equally as notable as the other houses.



## Getting to know you— Mr Richards

**Name:** Mr Richards

**Job:** Cover supervisor

**Favourite Book:** The Bible

**Interesting fact about me:** I also work as a motivational speaker.

**1st impressions of THA:** I was immediately struck by how committed Mr Wilson and his staff are to ensuring that all pupils receive the best education possible.



## Key dates for week beginning January 29th —week 2

Description	Date	Time
Whole school assembly	Monday 29th January	8.30—9am
UKMT maths challenge	Thursday 1st February	9- 10.30am



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