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DEAR PARENTS AND CARERS

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you are well and enjoy this edition of our newsletter. You may recall that we had a 'special edition' on attendance last week; if you haven't yet had chance to read it then please can I encourage you to do so. We know school attendance has been a concern nationally and it is important we work together to ensure excellent school attendance for your students.

On page 4 you will see that Knowsley Council have awarded the 'Household Support Fund.' This is to support our community and ensure we can support you to support our students during these tough economic times. We have set up a dedicated e-mail address so that should you need support; we will treat these emails with the strictest confidence. If you feel that you, or another family might need some additional support for food items, energy bills or other essential items – then please get in touch.



We ended the calendar year with a fabulous community event where we brought members of the local community together to enjoy a Christmas meal, games and we also had our Christmas jumper day and we raised a total sum of £531 for **Save the Children**.

More recently we had visitors from the BBC who were showcasing local business people and celebrating the centenary of the BBC. Years 7 -10 experienced this event and we know many students really enjoyed the session.



Throughout this edition we have included opportunities for careers and also local services that support you and your family. Can I also take this opportunity to remind you of the dates for **Year 11 Parents Evening** which is **Thursday 26th January** and **Year 8 Parents Evening** which is on **Thursday 2nd February**.

Best wishes,

Mr I Critchley
Principal

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BBC BITESIZE VISIT



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On Wednesday 11th January 2023 the BBC came in to inspire and motivate our students with their career's roadshow.



They showcased local business people, who work in film making, production and artificial intelligence systems. The panellists interviewed during the careers roadshow have a connection to creativity and they have helped to inspire the next generation of storytellers and inform them about careers in the creative industries.

Thank you to the **BBC** for providing such a wonderful opportunity for our students.

Miss A Gallen

Teacher of Science and Careers Leader



COMMUNITY EVENT AT HALEWOOD ACADEMY



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During the Autumn term at Halewood Academy we saw a number of community and charity events. From our poppy appeal for Remembrance day, yellow spotty clothing for Children in Need, Christmas Jumper Day for Save the Children and then our Community Christmas Party, we collectively raised a total of **£531**. We are proud of our communities efforts to support charities both nationally and locally as this truly embodies our core values of respect, collaboration and resilience. As a school we would like to thank you for enabling this.

The real showcase was our Community Christmas Party which saw the local Halewood Community Choir, Memory Lane Dementia Care Support Group, The Knowsley Chamber of Commerce, Cronton and Riverside College, Confucius Institute of Liverpool, All About Stem and Everton

in the Community all come together to raise funds and enjoy a beautiful 3 course Christmas meal provided by our school kitchen. There was music, games, raffles and even a giant Santa and Elf mascot. What is more poignant is that this was organised by our students for our community and they were able to invite their families too. It was their initiative and drive to host an event which was delivered by our Future Female Leader group. They are an absolute credit to the school and took on various roles such as waiting on, cleaning, service duties and entertainment including bingo caller!

Should you wish to become involved in any of our future community or charity events, please express an interest by contacting Mr Gareth Harrison, Vice Principal for Personal Development garrison@halewoodacademy.co.uk.



LIBRARY AFTER SCHOOL CLUB



HALEWOOD ACADEMY

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Movie Mondays	Homework	Well-being Wednesdays	Book Club	Homework
2:45pm-4:15pm	2:45pm-3:45pm	2:45pm-3:45pm	2:45pm-3:45pm	2:45pm-3:45pm

HOUSEHOLD SUPPORT FUND



HALEWOOD ACADEMY

Knowsley Council has once again awarded a 'Household Support Fund' to schools to support families during the ongoing cost of living crisis. At Halewood Academy we want to ensure that this funding supports families within our school community in the most effective way. As well as referrals from staff, we are also asking families to make us aware of any support they need directly. The Household Support Fund can provide vouchers or purchases for families in a range of areas, such as support with purchasing large items / kitchen appliances or contributions towards food or utility bills for those who need it.

To apply for the Household Support Fund please email HouseholdSupport@HalewoodAcademy.co.uk with a brief outline of the support required. Please email by **Friday 27th January 2023**, to be considered in the first round of allocations.

All emails will be treated in the strictest of confidence and pupils will not be made aware that an application has been made by their family. Please do let us know if you would benefit from this additional support.





Creating Careers: A Step Ahead Student Launch



What is Creating Careers: A Step Ahead?

Creating Careers: A Step Ahead allows you to build your skills, knowledge and experience in health and care with support from a team of experts, taking you a step ahead.



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Tuesday 24th January 2023

4.30pm – 5.30pm

Ages 14+, North West England

Teachers, parents and carers are welcome



Join us live to:

- Discover how to use the portfolio function.
- Ask direct questions.
- Find out why *Creating Careers: A Step Ahead* can help you develop your skills and knowledge in building evidence towards a future career in health and care.

Attending this webinar will count towards one of your required tasks in *Creating Careers: A Step Ahead, Module Two.*



Creating Careers: A Step Ahead Introduction to Learning Disability Nursing



What is Learning Disability Nursing?

Learning disability nurses provide specialist healthcare and support to people with a learning disability, as well as their families and staff teams, to help them live a fulfilling life.

Click [here](#) to find out more.



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Thursday 19th January 2023

5.30pm – 6.30pm

Ages 14+, North West England

Teachers, parents and carers are welcome



Join us live to:

- Learn more about learning disability nursing
- Discover how you can kick start your own career
- Ask direct questions to current professionals.

Attending this webinar will count towards one of your required tasks in *Creating Careers: A Step Ahead, Module Two.*



Creating Careers: A Step Ahead Introduction to Dental Team Careers



Dental Team Careers

Discover how you can make a big contribution to the oral health of the nation and the wider care of patients.

Click [here](#) to find out more.



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Wednesday 25th January 2023

5.30pm – 6.30pm

Ages 14+, North West England

Teachers, parents and carers are welcome



Join us live to:

- Learn more about the various roles within a dental team.
- Discover how you can kick start your own career.
- Ask direct questions to current professionals.

Attending this webinar will count towards one of your required tasks in *Creating Careers: A Step Ahead, Module Two*.

Sign up to further dates to learn about dental careers:

- 23rd March 2023
- 17th May 2023
- 5th July 2023

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For technical support contact
solihull.approach@uhb.nhs.uk
or 0121 296 4448 Mon-Fri 9am-5pm





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Do you live in Knowsley? FREE online courses for all residents "Supported by the National Better Mental Health Fund"

1. Understanding pregnancy, labour, birth and your baby

Online course for everyone around the baby: Mums, Dads, Grandparents, friends and relations. Written by Registered Midwives and NHS Professionals.

2. Understanding your baby

Online course for everyone around the baby: supporting you and the new arrival. Written by Psychologists, Psychotherapists and Health Visitors.

3a. Understanding your child (0-19 yrs) (main course) or

3b. Understanding your child with additional needs

Popular online course about being the best parent, grandparent or carer you can be. Award winning with trusted content.

4. Understanding your teenager's brain (short course)

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Save the Date!

Year 11 Parents' Evening
on 26th January 2023.

YEAR 11 PARENTS' EVENING

Halewood Academy are holding their Year 11 Parents' Evening on 26th January from 4-7pm.

The evening is your chance to speak with teachers and to ask any questions you may have about your child's learning and development and to give you an opportunity to discuss what your child is doing at school and how they are getting on and celebrate in their successes.



Save the Date!

Year 8 Parents' Evening
on 2nd February 2023.

YEAR 8 PARENTS' EVENING

Halewood Academy are holding their Year 8 Parent's Evening on 2nd February from 4-7pm.

The evening is your chance to speak with teachers and to ask any questions you may have about your child's learning and development and to give you an opportunity to discuss what your child is doing at school and how they are getting on and celebrate in their successes.



Morrisons Apprenticeship and Degree Apprenticeship Schemes

Don't choose between starting your career and earning a qualification. Join us on our award-winning Apprenticeship and Degree Apprenticeship Schemes and have the best of both worlds! We have opportunities available up and down the country, here's what they are:

Retail Degree Apprenticeship - Get an early taste of leadership. Work across all areas of our stores, gaining a unique overview of its operation and help keep our stores running smoothly.

Manufacturing Degree Apprenticeship - Work across a variety of manufacturing teams to understand our equipment, processes and technologies, all while gaining hands-on experience.

Corporate Degree Apprenticeship - Make an impact on our business through exciting, live business projects. Experience placements in areas such as Wholesale, Corporate Services and Marketing.

Finance Apprenticeship - Learn all about Finance at the heart of our business. You'll have a real impact on Morrisons, helping make our big decisions from day one, while working towards a professional qualification.

Roles will close when applications are full, so scan the QR code to submit your application and avoid missing out!





Apprenticeship Open Evening

Wednesday 25th January 2023
5.00PM - 7.00PM

Are you interested in an apprenticeship in Electrical, Mechanical, Multi Skilled or Manufacturing Engineering?

Come along to our open evening to hear from industry professionals, speak to current apprentices and find out how to fire up your career with an apprenticeship!



Where to find us:
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Technology Campus,
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Wednesday in the Library 2.45pm to 3.45pm.



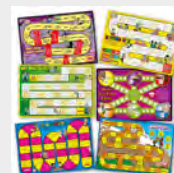
Activities include:

'Tea & Talk'

Mindful colouring

Board Games

Mindful Breathing



Happier January 2023



SUNDAY

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

1 Find three things to look forward to this year

2 Make time today to do something kind for yourself

3 Do a kind act for someone else to help brighten their day

4 Write a list of things you feel grateful for and why

5 Look for the good in others and notice their strengths

6 Take five minutes to sit still and just breathe

7 Learn something new and share it with others

8 Say positive things to the people you meet today

9 Get moving. Do something active (ideally outdoors)

10 Thank someone you're grateful to and tell them why

11 Switch off all your tech at least an hour before bedtime

12 Connect with someone near you - share a smile or chat

13 Take a different route today and see what you notice

14 Eat healthy food which really nourishes you today

15 Get outside and notice five things that are beautiful

16 Contribute positively to your local community

17 Be gentle with yourself when you make mistakes

18 Get back in contact with an old friend

19 Focus on what's good, even if today feels tough

20 Go to bed in good time and allow yourself to recharge

21 Try out something new to get out of your comfort zone

22 Plan something fun and invite others to join you

23 Put away digital devices and focus on being in the moment

24 Take a small step towards an important goal

25 Decide to lift people up rather than put them down

26 Choose one of your strengths and find a way to use it today

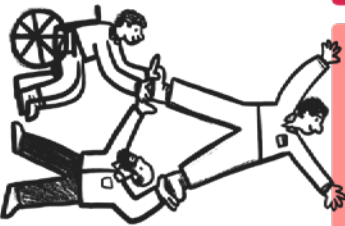
27 Challenge your negative thoughts and look for the upside

28 Ask other people about things they've enjoyed recently

29 Say hello to a neighbour and get to know them better

30 See how many people you can smile at today

31 Write down your hopes or plans for the future



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