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HUGH CHRISTIE NEWS



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Ski Trip: Courmayeur 2016

Students took on the Italian Alps this term making a good impression both on and off the slopes. The trip began with all students keen and raring to go...fast forward twelve hours later into the coach journey and there were quite a few "are we there yet?" questions coming from the back!

The students were blown away when we started to see the alps and snow covered mountains. It was a real pleasure to hear the excitement in their voices for what was to come.

Students were put into groups where they spent the week learning the basics of skiing. Some excellent progress was made by all students.

Each group progressed to red runs (moderate difficulty) with at least one group making onto the black run! The students and staff had an amazing time, some excellent skills were learnt and put to use by all.

Well done to all the students who attended; a fantastic effort and achievement by you all.



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"an enthusiastic atmosphere for learning" - Ofsted 2014

World Book Day 2016

World Book Day 2016 was marked in style at Hugh Christie.

Staff and students across the school dressed up in characters from their favourite books to show their love of reading.

While many came as individual characters, a number of students and staff got together in groups.

The Design and Technology team came as characters from Alice in Wonderland while the Science team were 'The Cat in the Hat'.

Here is a photo collage of everything that happened throughout the day.



Students of the month are:

Congratulations to Jacob Kelsso in Year 10 who has been selected for the England Boys' Under 16 Regional Golf Squad.

Lucas Kelley recently took part in the U13's Kent Cup final with Sevenoaks rugby team at Ashford. He was team captain and did a good job.

Lucas scored a try in the second half.



Forthcoming events:

Thursday 24th March at 2-50pm
End of Term 4

Monday 11th April
Start of Term 5

Wednesday 20th April
Year 7 Parent Consultation event 4pm—7pm

Monday 2nd May
Bank Holiday—school closed

Wednesday 4th May
Year 10 Parent Consultation 4pm-7pm



The place to be.....

Students Praised for 'Annie' School Production

Congratulations to the cast on an outstanding production of the musical "Annie".

Riley Medhurst's portrayal of Annie is highly professional. She was supported by an excellent cast including Josh Gurr as Oliver Warbucks and Emily Golding as Miss Hannigan. Buddy the dog makes a guest appearance as Sandy.



Many staff contributed to make the show such a success including the producer Mrs Conroy and Director Mrs Burton

Class of the month

Mrs Salisbury has nominated 11x1 for their fantastic pre public exam results.

They are also doing really well with the AQA Further Maths course

Well done 11x1!

Lighthouse visit to 10 Downing Street

On Thursday 11th February students from The Lighthouse visited London to take in the sights of our Government and Democracy as part of their Citizenship Award. The highlight of the day was having the privilege of accessing Downing Street and having their photographs taken outside the famous front door.

Strict security measures meant that there was a long wait but once we were through the barriers, we were able to spend a considerable amount of time in the street where countless selfies were taken.



Faraday Challenge

The following students took part in the Faraday Challenge on Wednesday 2nd March. Joseph Barker, Amy Groves & Amber Lihou in 7BH, William Jeffery & Isabella Thomson in 7ED & lastly, Harry Spencer in 7DT.

There were six schools in total. They had to plan, design and programme a BBC micro bit to address a problem.

They did extremely well and the day ended with them giving a presentation to the rest of the groups.

TWGGGS won, but the HCTC team were complimented on their idea and their excellent team work.



Hugh Christie offered all its 165 places to students for Year 7 in 2016 for the second year running.

Our new Year 7 students will be joining us for a taster day on Saturday 19th March and again with their parents on Wednesday 23rd March.



School Rugby goes from Strength to Strength

Here are the results from recent encouraging fixtures from the school rugby team.

Year 7s
Hugh Christie 45 - 0 Hadlow
Hugh Christie 14 - 25 Judd

Year 9s
Hugh Christie 68 - 0 Hayesbrook
Hugh Christie 54 - 0 Bennett

We want to congratulate our rugby team for all their hard work and effort and wish them well in all their future matches.



Student Triumphs at Cross Country Championship

Congratulations to Fraser Gordon who recently took part in the South of England Cross Country Championships.

In the race, there were 400 starters and 267 finishers, out of which Fraser came 8th! Fraser has now been selected to compete at the National Inter County Championships which take place on Saturday 12th March in Birmingham.

We wish Fraser the very best of luck.



New Team in the Library

A new team of students have been appointed as Student Librarians this year. Everyone went through an application and interview process and competition was fierce.

Each student has volunteered to work in the library for two sessions per week at break, lunch or advisory time. They will be involved in a wide range of tasks to help with the day to day running of the library as well as contributing ideas on the library's development and helping organise library events and activities.

After completing an initial training programme the student librarians will have the opportunity to complete a structured skills programme. Certificates will be awarded at each level to celebrate their achievement.



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