



HBK Update, Friday 11 November 2022



Welcome to this week's HBK update!

A week of Remembrance - message from Mrs Tandy

We have focused on Remembrance in assemblies all this week, welcoming representatives from the Army, Navy and RAF who have spoken to students about what

remembrance means to them. Students have also completed a form time activity on Remembrance provided by the History department and today we held a one-minute silence across the school just before 11am.

Representatives from the school attended a Remembrance service in Huntingdon this morning and a Sixth Form service was held in Hinchingbrooke House next to the roll of honour which commemorates former students who fought in the First World War.



Mr Pape with a group of our HBK students from this morning's Remembrance Service in Huntingdon Town Centre and a wreath that they laid at the Thinking Soldier War Memorial

Year 11 Parents' Evening - message from Mr Pendlebury, Assistant Principal

Our first Parents' Evening of the year is for Year 13 on Thursday 17th November, starting at 4.30pm. Appointments can now be booked and instructions on how to do this have been emailed to all Year 13 parents/carers. The dates for the other Parents' Evenings this year can be found in the link below - no bookings can be made for any Parents' Evening at this stage (except for Year 13). Details will be emailed to you when bookings for your child's Parents' Evening can be booked - this is usually two weeks prior to the date of the event.

[Online Parents Evenings and Online Booking System](#)

Year 11 Mock Exams - a message from Ms Nightingale, Vice Principal

The exams will start on Monday (14th November). Students have all had their personalised timetables and have had a detailed outline of the expectations. We wish the year group luck, but of course with all their preparation and hard work – they don't need it!

A reminder that for this 2-week period the National Tutoring Programme tutoring sessions (only some students are involved in these) will pause. Nightclub will, however, still be open for those who wish to study in the main school library after school for an hour Monday-Thursday.

Year 10 RPE Mock Exam – message from Ms Nightingale, Vice Principal

The RPE Paper 2 Mock (Themes) is due to take place on Friday 25th November. Unfortunately, we have had to change some of the arrangements and as such students have been sent a second email with their exam details. Please remind your child that it is the second email, dated 10th November, which contains the correct details. The date and time of the exam remains the same.

Uniform - preparing for bad weather – message from Mrs Tandy, Vice Principal

Please note that students are not allowed to wear hoodies to school. If seen, these will be confiscated, and students will need to pick them up at the end of the school day. We very much encourage students to wear a coat to school, particularly on days where it is raining. There is also a school jumper which can be worn beneath the blazer as a further layer for warmth.

Free School Meals – message from Ms Nightingale, Vice Principal

Students who are entitled to a free school meal are also now entitled to a free breakfast. Please ensure that your child(ren) know(s) that this is **IN ADDITION** to the food they buy at break/lunch and **NOT** instead of.

Year 7 Oracy Workshops – message from Ms Nightingale, Vice Principal

This week more than 60 of our Year 7 Pupil Premium students took part in some oracy workshops. They learnt the key skills and techniques of how to be a confident public speaker, and all were able to give a short speech in front of their peers. The facilitator of the workshops, from a company called 'More Oracy', was very impressed with our students, and quite rightly so! We hope these students can apply their skills across their curriculum subjects and share their expertise with their fellow classmates! Well done to them all!

Glastonbrooke Unplugged - 16 November 2022 – message from The Glastonbrooke Team



The Glastonbrooke Team are proud to announce that our first 'Unplugged' event is just around the corner on 16 November 2022. All students who wish to perform must complete the sign-up sheet found either in the music base or online here <https://forms.office.com/r/th8mTjKAMc>

Once they have signed up, the student and parent/carer must also complete the permission slip which needs to be either handed into Mrs Nichols or emailed to Mr Howells at glastonbrooke@hbk.acesmat.uk

This will be the first of several Glastonbrooke events throughout the academic year so please keep an eye out for further information. You can now find Glastonbrooke on twitter <https://twitter.com/hbkglasto> and Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/Glastonbrooke-at-HBK-495115387306507/> so please follow us.

Glastonbrooke Unplugged will take place at Hinchingsbrooke House in the Old Dining Room. The event will start at 19:00 and tickets will cost £5 on the door. Entry to the event is only possible via the Gatehouse in the Sixth Form car park. We are looking forward to another great year of Glastonbrooke events and hope you can join us.

For any enquires relating to Glastonbrooke, please contact the team via our social media, or with the dedicated Glastonbrooke email: glastonbrooke@hbk.acesmat.uk

Vacancies at HBK

HBK currently has the following support staff vacancies. Please click on the links for more details:



[Lower School Administrator](#)

[Cover Supervisor](#)

[Educational Visits Coordinator & Administrator](#)

[Site Officer](#)

Comedy Night at the PAC



Comedy Night
Up and Coming comedians

Compared by
JUDITH BARRASS

Tickets £6.50 from ticketsource.co.uk
12th January doors open 730 PM
Hinchingbrooke performing arts centre

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This week's blog

This week's blog picks up (again!) one of my favourite themes. It's entitled '*Natural talent ha ha ha*' – the title nods to a fairly famous author; I wonder if you know which one? If you would like to read the blog, it's here: <https://learningisthething.com/?p=750>

Have a great weekend!

We are HBK.

Mark Patterson
Principal