

# Principal's Post

Thursday 26th September 2024



Welcome to the second edition of our school newsletter! Whether you're a student, parent/carer, or staff member, we are excited to keep you informed and engaged with all the exciting developments happening within our school community. This newsletter is your go-to source for important updates, upcoming events, student achievements, and much more.

It was wonderful to welcome Year 7 families into school last week for our 'Meet the Teacher' event, where after only two weeks at school, students were confident tour guides around the site. We are hoping that the weather will be favorable again this evening for our Year 5/6 Open Evening tonight and our Year10 Progress Evening next week.

We look forward to sharing our school's journey with you and invite you to celebrate the successes and growth of our students throughout the year. Thank you for being a vital part of our vibrant school family!

*Principal, Mrs C Brothwood*



It was lovely to see our Year 7s looking so smart for their school photo. We would like to remind you that the deadline for free delivery for Tempest photos is **Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> October**. If you order after this date, there will be a postage charge added.

*Mrs B Dupré*



I am super impressed with the start Year 8 has made to this academic year. It is great to see students engaging in a range of extracurricular activities and showing resilience by keeping them up! See our Autumn Term enrichment program on our website and challenge yourself to join a new club this term!

*Mrs E Meek*



Year 9 are continuing to make a strong start to this academic year and this week they had an assembly to promote this year's 'Ten Tors challenge'.

It is great to hear so many students are already keen to get involved. If you want more information or are interested in this challenge, then please come along to the launch evening on **Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> October**. Push yourselves out of your comfort zone, be curious!

*Mrs L Roberts*



This week, the Year 10s had an informative assembly on their work experience week which will take place in May next year. There was a great deal of enthusiasm from students who were thinking about where they could go and what they could do. We are challenging them to push outside of their comfort zones and think about where their passions lie, so encourage them to think outside the box and start doing some serious research into some of the many incredible opportunities out there. Hopefully, some great conversations at home can lead to some interesting and ambitious placements!

Don't forget that next **Thursday, 3<sup>rd</sup>, October** is Year10 progress evening which is a good opportunity to meet GCSE teachers and track your child's progress and engagement at the start of KS4.

**Please do book in appointments if you are able. If you cannot attend, or need help with your bookings, please get in touch.**

*Ms E Lindsay*



Year 11 have really impressed me with their start to this important year. We had a visitor from Richard Huish college on Thursday and they were, as expected, astounded by the maturity, kindness and curiosity of the year

group.

We are now approximately 25 teaching weeks from the exams starting. Lots of students are underway with their revision and have their plans sorted. For those that are struggling, we will be organising a 'getting started' programme soon – so watch this space

*Miss K Knight*



Last week we launched the Duke of Edinburgh award for Years 9 and 10 and had an overwhelming number of students show interest. If your young person is keen to take part, please come along to our after-school parent/carer information evening for Ten Tors and DofE on **Tuesday the 1<sup>st</sup> October from 6 til 7pm**. If you cannot make it, please don't worry, we can send you the information. If your child is confident they'd like to take part, payment has been made available on MCAS for the £25 DofE registration fee for Bronze (year 9) and Silver (Year10) - the deadline for registration fees is **Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> October**.

- For any queries, please contact [dofe@honiton.college](mailto:dofe@honiton.college)



## NEW REWARD THRESHOLDS

### Daily Praise Recognition

We want to ensure all students are recognised for their positive contribution to College life and their amazing achievements. We are therefore excited to inform you that we have now introduced new Reward Thresholds on Class Charts as follows. Once your child reaches a reward threshold by gaining positive points from teachers, they are recognised and rewarded!

	50 Positive Points
	100 Positive Points (Bronze Award)
	200 Positive Points (Silver Award)
	300 Positive Points (Gold Award)
	400 Positive Points (Platinum Award)
	500 Positive Points (Tutor Award)
	600 Positive Points (Head of Year Award)
	700 Positive Points (Senior Leadership Team Award)
	800 Positive Points (Principal Award)

#### What happens at each rewards threshold?

- Positive message home to families on Class Charts
- Awarded an accolade on Class Chart profile
- A certificate
- Choose a reward from Student Reception
- Tutor Award upwards—a badge is awarded



We strongly recommend that all parents/carers download the Class Charts app. It is a free app from your app store onto your mobile phone.

We use Class Charts to set homework and to send announcements to students and parents/carers.

Students and their parents/carers can also view their achievement record by viewing any Positive and Negative points received.

- If you have a problem with accessing the pupil account code for a specific pupil please contact [admin@honiton.college](mailto:admin@honiton.college)

## KEY DATES

### Progress Evenings 2024 – 25

An opportunity to book face-to-face appointments with your child's teachers

- Year 10 - Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> October (3.45-7pm)
- Year 8 - Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> November (3.45-7pm)

### 2025

- Year 11 - Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> January (3.45-7pm)
- Year 9 - Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> January (3.45-7pm)
- Post-16 - Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> March (3.45-7pm)
- Year 7 - Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> April (3.45-7pm)



# NOW BOOKING

## YEAR 10 PROGRESS EVENING

Thursday 03 October  
3:45 pm - 7:00pm

## Year 5 & 6 Tours for Families

TUESDAY 01 OCTOBER

THURSDAY 03 OCTOBER

TUESDAY 15 OCTOBER

THURSDAY 17 OCTOBER

TUESDAY 22 OCTOBER

THURSDAY 24 OCTOBER

ALL TOURS WILL TAKE PLACE FROM 9:10 AM - 10:10 AM

*We are very proud of HCC  
and we would love to show you around!*

Please email to book a tour [admin@honiton.college](mailto:admin@honiton.college)

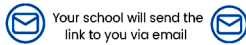


## Parent Survey

The Annual TWT Parent Survey will be launched on Monday 16 September 2024.

We want to hear your views and opinions to help us improve across our Trust of schools.

Now Open



## Prize Draw

Complete our parent survey (anonymously) and then leave your name to be entered into our prize draw for the chance to win a £50 voucher

(All answers will remain anonymous and the prize draw is administered by Eduzio to ensure confidentiality is maintained)



We would love to hear from you about things you and your children love about our school, feedback on our current practice, and we welcome any suggestions you may have for new ideas. Please do take the time to complete the survey The closing date for responses is Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> October.

## Reminder of how to order PE kit

[Proserve kit order form 2024-25.pdf](#)



## THE HONITON COMMUNITY

# Swap shop!

### Saturday 28th September 2024

Open from **11am to 2pm** in the  
Drama Hall at  
**Honiton Community College**

All ages and sizes of clothing  
available!

Bring your unwanted clothes  
and grab some new ones.



## Completely free!

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Thurs & Fri 7pm | Sat 2.30pm & 7pm | Tickets E11

This amateur production of "Alice in Wonderland (Duffield)" is presented by arrangement with Concord Theatricals Ltd. on behalf of Samuel French Ltd. www.concordtheatricals.co.uk Poster Artwork by Alex Jackson Creative