



H·S·L HOWELL'S SCHOOL *newsletter*

24th May- 6th June, 2013

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This week has seen the whole School quiet as students from all Year groups sat their internal examinations, in addition to the on-going public exams. I am confident that everyone will have worked hard and they fully deserve next week's half term break.

Years 7 and 8 completed their examinations by Thursday afternoon. Friday saw them travelling to a variety of workplaces for the 'Take your Daughter to Work' Day that had to be postponed due to the snow!

Meanwhile, Year 7 gathered in the Dining Room to participate in the 'Make it Real' Day focussing on future careers and team building.



I do hope you all enjoy a restful half term and remind students that we return on Monday, 3rd June to a Week B.

Sally Davis

Principal

Pitch In

Thank You!

It has been a very busy week for *Pitch In!* The ideas and offers just keep coming and we are enormously grateful to everyone who has donated items to sell, auction lots and placed bids for auction lots.

Holiday and Weekend Rental Opportunities

Delightful Cottage in the Dordogne



A very big thank you to Mr and Mrs Craig for advertising their beautiful cottage in the Dordogne area of South West France to the Howell's community for holiday rental until mid-June and from the mid-September. They have generously agreed to contribute £100 to *Pitch In* for each week of hire during this period.

Fabulous London Flat

Another very big thank you to Mr Ashworth for generously offering his flat in West Kensington, for occasional weekend hire until September 2013. The flat is situated a 10 minute tube ride from the Science and Natural History Museums and a 20 minute tube ride from Covent Garden. The cost of hiring the flat is £75 per night and all proceeds will be donated to *Pitch In!*

For details please log in or register at our Jumblebee website and click on the *Buy* tab making sure you also click *My Community*:

<http://www.jumblebee.co.uk/register/kU3I4HDSVt>

Events

Mother and Daughter Rounders Tournament

Mothers and daughters will be taking part in a Rounders Tournament at Howell's School from 12.30pm – 2.00pm on Saturday, 29th June. To take part in the tournament we are asking for a minimum donation of £5 per person or £40 for a team of 9. All proceeds will be donated to Pitch In. If you would like to take part in the competition, please email:

Chrissie.Hall-Davis@how.gdst.net

Craig Bellamy Book Signing

The amazing Wales and Cardiff City Footballer, Craig Bellamy will be visiting Howell's Great Hall on **Monday, 3rd June** at 12.30pm to sign copies of his autobiography, *GoodFella*, for pupils in Years 11, 12 & 13, parents and staff.



The cost of the event is £20 and includes the opportunity to meet Craig and a signed copy of *GoodFella*. All proceeds will be going towards *Pitch In*. Register your interest with Hannah Roberts at hannah.roberts@how.gdst.net

Thank you, Craig!

Get that Bikini Body Ready for Summer

Eira Culverwell, from Parklife Outdoor Fitness for Females and a Hywelian, will be running a fitness boot camp for ladies starting on Thursday, 6th June at 9.00am – 9.45am meeting at Howell's Senior School reception. The cost to participate is £10 per session and all proceeds will be going towards Pitch In. Register your interest with Eira at parklifeoutdoorfitness@gmail.com

Thank you, Eira!

We're here to help

Don't forget if there are items or services you would like to sell through the Jumblebee website you can do so through www.jumblebee.co.uk. We want to make it as easy as possible so do contact Vanessa Yilmaz at vanessa.yilmaz@how.gdst.net or Hannah Roberts at hannah.roberts@how.gdst.net who would be delighted to upload items on your behalf. Vanessa and Hannah can also be contacted on 029 20261839.

Senior School News

CHESS CHAMP TAHLIA



We are delighted to hear that keen chess player, Tahlia M-R, Year 7, has become the Under 12s (Joint) Chess Champion for Bristol & the South West after outstanding performance in the competition.

A wonderful achievement, well done Tahlia!



Join the conversation on:

<http://twitter.com/howellsschool>

YEAR 8 AND 9 HOWELL'S AWARD CAMPOUT

The Year 8 and 9 Campout will take place on the evening of Thursday, 6th June. Year 8 students who attend the sleepover will be permitted to remain at home for the day on Friday, 7th June.



Students are reminded that those who remain in school or are not attending the sleepover will be in lessons and will need to wear their uniform; washing facilities are available in school. If your daughter will be taking part and you are happy for her to remain at home on Friday, please make arrangements for her to be collected from school between 7.30am and 8am. If you have volunteered a tent, please check the poles and pegs over half term and see Miss Wilcox if there are any problems.



Students who will be attending the campout should vote for their film theme and preferred pizza choice by following the link below:

<https://portal.gdst.net/school/how/School%20Council/SitePages/Home.aspx>

Many thanks to those students who have returned their reply slips and volunteered tents for the event hopefully, the weather will be kind to us!

Senior School & College News

HOWELL'S STAFF COMPLETE 5X50 CHALLENGE

We are delighted to report that over 20 of Howell's staff have completed a 5x50 Challenge for Comic Relief. This initiative was introduced to encourage adults to build in 30 minutes each day of exercise to their daily routine for 50 consecutive days.



Our very own HSL 5x50 team undertook many forms of exercise between 31 March and 19 May, from walking, running, cycling, surfing, horse riding and swimming to attending Zumba classes and boot camps!

Those who took part feel very pleased to have completed the challenge, whilst supporting Comic Relief. As a team we are determined to continue with our daily exercise as we know how important it is for our wellbeing. We look forward to participating in the next challenge later this year!

HSL PARENTS' ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

A reminder that the Parents' Annual General Meeting is on Tuesday, 11th June, starting at 6.30pm in the Senior School.



We have a vacancy for the Chair of Fundraising and the Deputy Chair of the Parents' Management Committee. If you are willing to be nominated, please let Mrs Carol Phillips, PA to the Principal, know at carol.phillips@how.gdst.net

Higher Education & Careers News

YEAR 11 WORK EXPERIENCE REMINDER

Year 11 need to be reminded that the deadline for the return of their work experience FORM 2 was Tuesday, 30th April. There are still some forms which haven't been returned. Please chase your prospective employer over this half term and let Mrs House know what progress you have made by Monday, 3rd June. julie.house@how.gdst.net

TAKE YOUR DAUGHTER TO WORK DAY

Year 8 have been out with parents or family members today for their 'Take Your Daughter to Work Day'. The date was rescheduled after the snow in February and hopefully they all reached their intended destinations today! We look forward to hearing about their experiences in the world of work after half term.

MAKE IT REAL DAY

Year 7 has had a fun packed day with their Careers based programme of the 'Make It Real Day'. They enjoyed learning about the job roles embedded in the making of a sustainable community and benefitted greatly from a presentation about the planned Masdar city in Abu Dhabi delivered by our visitor from Trust Head Office, Karen Kimura.



Along with Kieron Smith, Karen is part of the Trust's Learning & Skills Development Team and she is instrumental in the delivery of the Career Start Programme. Year 7 were very lucky to have a session on presentation skills by Karen prior to their pitches that they had to prepare about their own towns.

YEAR 10 FUTUREWISE PROFILE SESSION

Year 10 students will take their Futurewise profile session on Monday June 24th. Full details will be issued closer to the date.

Higher Education & Careers News

THE RANGE ROVER EVOQUE WISE SCHOLARSHIP - £9,000 BURSARY FOR FEMALE ENGINEERING STUDENTS

Jaguar, Land Rover and WISE are offering sponsorship to three female scholars wishing to pursue engineering at University or as an apprentice – you will also act as an Ambassador for Jaguar Land Rover and be able to take part in a summer work placement. According to a report published by Engineering UK, Britain needs to double the number of engineering graduates and triple the number of engineering apprentices by 2020 to meet industry needs. At present, just thirteen per cent of engineering undergraduates are female, a problem Land Rover is determined to address. In addition to the Range Rover Evoque WISE Scholarship, Land Rover already runs specific training schemes to support ambitious female engineers.

Who is eligible to apply for this scholarship?

Young women who have completed their GCSEs or A Levels and wish to study an engineering degree or apprenticeship. The following degree choices are acceptable: Mechanical, Electrical, Automotive, Electronic, Systems Integration, Aeronautical, and Aerospace. If you are following an apprenticeship route then you need to be doing at least a 3 year apprenticeship in an Engineering discipline. Applicants must be accepted into a university or college of your choice and intending to pursue an engineering career.

Why is this scholarship only open to female students?

Jaguar Land Rover wants to encourage more females to consider engineering careers to increase its talent pool. Jaguar Land Rover needs more engineers, both female and male, to help our technology and engineering-led business achieve ambitious plans for global growth. Promoting women in engineering makes good business sense, because a workforce composed of people from diverse backgrounds and experiences better reflects the profile of our customers, helping us understand and respond to their needs.

**What subjects are they specifically looking for from applicants?**

Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry, Design and Technology, Computing, Engineering, Construction and Manufacturing are some of the possible subjects they are looking for.

The Range Rover Evoque WISE Scholarship will provide a £9,000 bursary to three female students or apprentices who would like to explore a career or further studies in engineering. In addition the winners will be provided with mentoring support from both Land Rover senior engineers and WISE representatives.

To find out more about the scholarship and to hear Zara Phillips talking about the role of women in engineering in the UK watch the video here:

<http://www.inspiringtomorrowsengineers.com/>

Copies of the FAQs and application form are available online at <http://www.wisecampaign.org.uk/women>.

You will need to prepare a detailed application – if you need tutor/careers support to do this, please ensure you plan this before the end of the academic year.

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS: Saturday, 31st August, 2013

Higher Education & Careers News

CARDIFF UNIVERSITY MEDICAL SCHOOL OPEN DAY

For students who are interested in reading medicine at Cardiff University there are two open day events on Friday, 21st June and Saturday, 22nd June 2013 in the Cochrane Building at the University Hospital of Wales, Cardiff.



Each day will consist of a detailed presentation about the course and admissions procedure, a presentation from Student Services and a presentation from current medical students about their experiences.

Cardiff University will be opening up the clinical skills laboratory and simulation suite for the students to have some hands-on practical experience. Staff from the Medical School's Admissions Team and current medical students will be available to answer any questions you may have.

Due to the popularity of the event and the limited number of places available, early booking is advised – you can choose **one** date only. Please book your visit via the link for your preferred date to register for a place:

www.surveys.cardiff.ac.uk/june21openday2013

www.surveys.cardiff.ac.uk/june22openday2013

Once you have made a booking, you will receive further information regarding the event. This information will include a programme for the day and a map and directions to the event.

If you require any further information, please contact Caitlin Golaup on: 029 2068 8115 or medicopenday@cardiff.ac.uk.

Dates for Your Diary

Wednesday, 5th June

Junior School Open Afternoon

1.30 – 3.30pm

Thursday, 6th June

Year 7 Geography Trip

Year 10 Future Opportunities Evening

4.30pm

Tuesday, 11 June

Parents' Association AGM

6.30pm

Monday, 20th – Friday 24th May

Exam Week for Years 7-10

Friday, 24th May

Year 8 Take Your
Daughter to Work Day

Break up for Half Term