



Dear Parent/Carer,

I hope you have a lovely week with your families. Please see below an update from this week and a few key messages:

Science fair

On Thursday this week, we had the annual Science fair led by Miss Scott. There were projects on the Madela effect, the science of running or swimming, the effect of different hair dyes on our hair, how music affects our mood, how microbes live in extreme conditions and many, many more!

It was the largest Science Fair to date, with 4 external judges to attend and pick our winners. They volunteered their time, and we are very grateful for this. They took the job very seriously and deliberated well in the Judge's Chambers (Science Snug!). But... There can only be 1 winner.

In third place, we had Charlie Timperley-Green with a project on Diabetes and the changes the body will go through.

In second place, we had Grace Cooper who completed a study on the early detection of pancreatic cancer.

In first place we had Matilda Sturzaker, Brooke Spencer, Lara Gray and Lily-Grace Watson. They conducted an experiment on how different music genres affected people's mood through measuring resting heart rate.

Thank you to the parents who came to visit our annual science fair to see the amazing work our students had completed.

Well done to all students who took part and thank you to the staff members who supported students with this.

Sound of Spring Festival

Hodgson Academy would like to invite you to their production 'Sound of Spring' on **Thursday 27th March 2025**. It will be an evening of music and dance with talented students from Year 7 through to Year 11 performing.

The performance will **start at 7pm and finish at approximately 9pm**. We would like to invite both family and friends to come along and watch the performances and support our students. Tickets are priced at £5 for adults and £3 for children/OAPs. As the academy is now a cashless school, tickets can only be purchased through ParentPay. Seats will be allocated on a first come first serve basis on the evening. All monies raised will help towards resources for the Performing Arts and Music departments.



Royal Shakespeare Company

Once again, Hodgson were heavily involved in the 2025 Royal Shakespeare Company epic Playmaking Festival. 2024's show of Romeo and Juliet was so well represented that 2025 saw The Tempest hosted at Blackpool Grand Theatre. 8 local schools took part, and they were joined by Hodgson's Shakespeare Ambassadors: Thomas Sleightholme; Holly Bradbury; Evelyn Bradbury; Charlotte Ansell; Robyn Baxter and Hannah Thompson. The evening was hugely successful, and our students represented us magnificently. A particular highlight was Robyn and Charlotte leading the warmup. Seeing hundreds of students preparing themselves and striking character poses in preparation for the big show was truly inspirational.

Well done to all involved and thank you to Mr Small for organising this fantastic opportunity for our students.

Year 10 Revision Fair

To mark the 10 week countdown to mock exams, on Thursday afternoon Year 10 had an assembly on the importance of revision and then attended our Revision Fair where they were taught four different revision techniques from Mrs Hutchinson, Mr Metcalf, Miss Aionesei and Mr Small.

The students were brilliant throughout and all received a revision goody bag containing resources to help them with revision, such as a highlighter, post-it notes and flash cards. There will also be follow-up activities during form time to support our students with their revision.

Year 9 Options Information

On Wednesday 2nd April from 16:30 to 19:00 it will be the Year 9 Options Evening. Please make a note of this date in your diary and Miss Buckley has sent out an email last week regarding this.

Please read this email and book yourself on for the talk in the hall. This is an important evening for our Year 9 students and parents to understand what subjects are available for students to take for their GCSEs, so that they can make informed decisions.

Year 11 guided revision.

Please find attached the Y11 Guided Revision for Week 18. Revision lists for all subjects are also available on the Y11 Guided Revision area on our website in the subject folders.

Best wishes,



Mrs S. Khan
Head of School