



“Success for all”

HONITON COMMUNITY COLLEGE

WINTER TERM 2022



INSIDE LOOK





POST 16

Valentine's Bake Sale & Non Uniform Day Raising money for Exeter Samaritans

Post-16 students successfully organised a Non uniform day plus a Valentine's bake off where Post-16 students and staff were invited to bake a cake. The cakes were judged for look, theme and taste then sold at breaktime and lunchtime which successfully raised **£742-16p** to support the valuable cause of Exeter Samaritans.



Holly Henwood



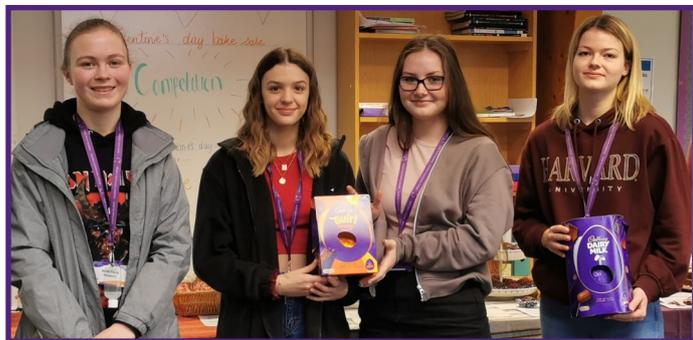
Erin Humphris



Choe Outram



Hollie Moulton



How Climate Change Affects

Four Year 7 students were fortunate to have virtual interview with Grace Smith a delegate at COP26 and asked her about some of the problems surrounding climate change.

Follow the link for the questions and answers the students put to Grace Smith. [Click Here](#)

The same four students also prepared a PowerPoint presentation to Year 7 assembly on pollution

Global Warming



What is global warming?

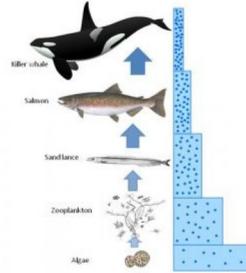


- Global warming is when the earth's temperatures rise, melting the ice caps in the process.

At some point most of the earth will flood because of the ice caps melting and many animals will be homeless

Dangers of plastic pollution

Microplastics



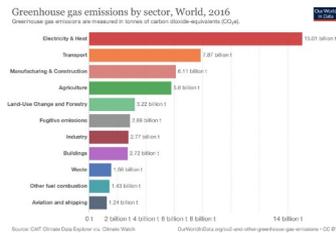
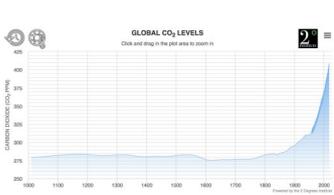
Physical damage to sea life.



What is the main cause of global warming?

Carbon dioxide

Where does carbon dioxide come from?



Land pollution (littering)



What is Land Pollution?

- Land pollution is when we dump rubbish on the land and don't pick it up.
- Sometimes animals eat it and get hurt.
- 101 million animals die every year.

Deforestation

What is deforestation?

- Deforestation is when trees and forests are cut down to make space for farming.
- Deforestation causes animals to lose their homes, because of people cutting trees down.

How does it affect the world?

- 10 million hectares of woodland are lost.
- Loss of oxygen.
- Animals are killed.
- The animals lose their home



Air pollution

What is Air Pollution?



Air pollution is the name for extremely small particles and gases in the air which can cause harm if you breathe them in. ... gases such as nitrogen dioxide, ozone, Sulphur dioxide and carbon monoxide. Particulate matter (PM), made up of solid and liquid particles such as soot and dust.

Plastic pollution (ocean)

What is Plastic Pollution?

- Plastic pollution is when plastic is dumped in the ocean or on shorelines.
- It's estimated that more than 10 million tons of plastic is dumped into our oceans every year.



What can we do?

What do these terms mean?





TEN TORS 2022

6th-8th May

Our Ten Tors training got off to a great start this weekend! We all met up on Woodbury Common with a feeling of nervous excitement. The morning was fresh and clear, the wind was whistling through the car park, so we headed out over the heath. It didn't take long for the group to gain confidence and start working together.



We need to extend a particular thank you to our volunteer leader, John Taylor, who led the walk and supported the students to improve their map reading skills. All of the students completed the walk, we finished exactly when scheduled and we were back before it rained!

We are all looking forward to the next walk on Dartmoor and continuing the debate about who has the best snacks ('Jelly Bean girl'?), who has too many snacks ('Dunker boy?') and who is the most attentive map reader ('Quietly confident newbie' or 'Quietly confident old-hand'?).



WORLD BOOK DAY®

3 MARCH 2022

25 YEARS



World Book Day is on Thursday 3rd March this year and celebrates its 25th birthday. The HCC Book Hub, (which runs Monday and Thursday lunchtimes in the library), are promoting the following competitions to celebrate World Book Day this year. If you would like to enter either of competitions, the forms have been emailed to all students or are available from these links or Mrs Milford:

BOOK RECOMMENDATION BINGO

[Click Here](#)



Complete all the squares on the attached Book Recommendation Bingo and hand in to Mrs Milford or your tutor by World Book Day (3rd March) to earn yourself P Points!

DESIGN A NATIONAL BOOK TOKEN

Design your own graphics/art work to go on a national book token. Ideas of previous years tokens can be found Please return any completed forms to Mrs Milford or your tutor by 23rd March. There are book tokens to be won for yourself and for the school in this competition

[Click Here](#)



Do you love singing?



- Join the Singing Club (not a choir)
- Tuesday Lunchtime 1.20pm-1.55pm
- Contemporary artist, Modern and Musical theatre (for Easter performance)
- All welcome in room MU2



CONGRATULATIONS



Lily McCance, Year 9 who was recently chosen to become one of our HCC CreATE Leaders.

Lily has shown real commitment to the CreATE subjects, such as supporting after school events and showing a sustained effort in class and with extracurricular activities. Well done Lily!

Any of our students can work towards their CreATE Leader badge, please see Ms Blockley or Mrs Creed for an evidence log sheet.

This week in Art, Year 9 have been making moulds to create plaster tiles as part of their Mixed Messages Project. They are working to a brief to create merchandise using image and text and using artist work including the work of Eduardo Paolozzi to inspire their choices of pattern and texture. We are excited to see the colours they will choose to complete these designs once the plaster tiles are dry and ready to work.



GCSE Food & Nutrition Students Get Creative!



Its not enough to produce great tasting plates of food at GCSE, presentation is also incredibly important. Our Year 10 GCSE students have been learning about food presentation, including how to create sugar work to elevate the look of their final dish.

In this Teacake Challenge we gave a group of Year 10 students 30 minutes to take a humble teacake, (the one with biscuit and marshmallow covered in chocolate), and use the ingredients provided to take it from a teacake on a plate to an elegantly presented dish.



I think you will agree they have totally succeeded and we are very proud of their final dishes and levels of creativity.



Our Spring Term clubs programme offers extensive opportunities for students to get involved in a range of sports. Fitness Suite club has been really well attended. We've participated in a range of fixtures and competitions including: Netball, Indoor Cricket, Indoor Athletics, Football, Futsal, Rugby as well as some transition events for Year 7s. Exeter Chiefs Community Coaches have continued their delivery of Project Rugby. Huge thanks to the PE team for offering such an extensive programme.

Mr A Taylor, Head of Sport & PE



10th January

The Year 10 Futsal team represented HCC in the East Devon Tournament



19th January

The U12 football team are through to the semi-finals of the East Devon Cup



12th January

The Year 9 Badminton team represented HCC in the East Devon Schools



20th January

the Year 8 Indoor Athletics team who came 4th overall against East Devon Schools



13th January

Years 7-8 first round of the East Devon U13 Football Tournament



4th February

The U15 cricket teams enjoyed their first experience of a cricket tournament at Exeter University

Outdoor Education Pursuits Programme

We are developing an exciting Outdoor Education Pursuits Programme at HCC to roll out over the next 2 - 3 years. This programme will provide a wide variety of opportunities for our students and is an excellent opportunity to develop their physical, social and mental health outside of a classroom setting.

The benefits of outdoor learning are endless and through our Outdoor Education Pursuits Programme, we hope to achieve the following:

- Students are encouraged to use skills such as problem solving and develop reflective and inquisitive thinking
- Students develop resilience and adaptability
- Students develop an understanding of how we can look after ourselves, each other and the environment.
- Students develop self-awareness, confidence and self-esteem.
- Students develop teamwork and communication skills
- Provide positive health benefits – both physically and mentally
- Develop a lifelong love of outdoors.

KS3 will have the exciting opportunity to take part in outdoor adventure taster sessions at Haven Banks in Exeter. This is an excellent opportunity for our students to try something new, push themselves out of their comfort zone and enjoy some adrenaline-pumping activities. Further details will be released after February half term. Sessions will take place after school on the specified dates and places are allocated on a first come first serve basis.

- **Year 7 – Tuesday 26th April**
Activities on offer: Kayaking, Canoeing and Archery
- **Year 8 – Tuesday 3rd May 2022**
Activities on offer: Canoeing, Archery, Climbing wall and Abseiling
- **Year 9 – Tuesday 17th May**
Activities on offer: Kayaking, Archery, Climbing wall and Abseiling



Canoeing and kayaking

In association with Haven Banks, we will head to Exeter Quay after college to concentrate on canoeing techniques and paddle strokes, as to hone our skills ready for the canoe and camping trip. A nice, fun afternoon on the water.

Climbing Wall and Abseiling

Haven Banks iconic Tower offers top and bottom rope climbing to 6. 13 and 20 metres. Set routes of varying ease and difficulty allow climbers to ascend to what we believe is the regions highest artificial structure.

Archery

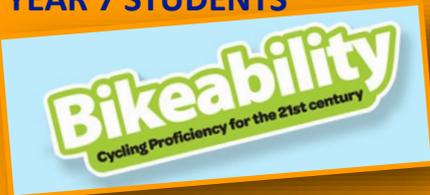
In association with Haven Banks, students will have the exciting opportunity to take their aim in this fun filled activity. This all inclusive activity provides an opportunity to develop hand-eye coordination and body strength and challenge your peers at some target practice.

Canoe and Camp – Year 7

A great two day and one night adventure paddling down the Exeter Canal or River Exe onto the estuary. BBQ, campfire and camp at Turf and return via the Exeter Shipping Canal the following day.



YEAR 7 STUDENTS



We look forward to welcoming Carol Booth and her team of **Bikeability** instructors to HCC in March where they will be delivering cycle training programmes to our Year 7 students. **Bikeability** is designed to help young people learn practical skills and understand how to cycle safely on today's roads. Cycling is a fantastic way to improve your physical and mental health and we are delighted to provide this opportunity for our students. They will develop a key life skill that will be beneficial to maintaining a happy and healthy lifestyle.

Level 3 courses: Monday 7th March – Friday 11th March 2022

Level 2 courses: Monday 21st March and Wednesday 23rd March 2022



Our DofE students have been working hard during the autumn term to complete their volunteering, physical and skill sections of their Duke of Edinburgh award. The next step is to complete an expedition across various iconic landscapes in the South West. Before they set out on their expeditions, students must complete training days to learn how to map read, pitch up a tent, cook and plan their routes. The expeditions are fun but challenging and is designed to not only push students out of their comfort zone, but build confidence, teamwork and life skills. We look forward to seeing how our students get on over the upcoming months.

Lastly, a huge thank you to the Police Youth Engagement Officer and Cadet Officer Phil Morris who has kindly let us borrow a significant amount of expedition kit (including waterproofs, walking boots, sleeping bags) to support our students during their expeditions!



Training Days at HCC: Monday 11th and Tuesday 12th April 9am – 3:30pm

Practice Expedition: Saturday 14th May – Sunday 15th May 2022

Assessed Expedition: Saturday 18th June – Sunday 19th June 2022



Training Day at HCC: Monday 11th April 2022 9am – 3:30pm

Training Walk: Saturday 23rd April 2022 9am – 3:30pm

Practice Expedition: Friday 20th May – Sunday 22nd May 2022

Assessed Expedition: Saturday 25th June – Monday 27th June 2022

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I would like to send on my thanks to the Year 10 sports leaders formally - JP, Alfie, Ewan, Jay Pike, Alex, Fin & Tommy - who have regularly turned up to support, coach and referee our Year 6 after school football teams on Fridays I also would like to credit the Year 10 & 11 netball umpires that, once again, proved themselves to be confident and professional at our Honiton Learning Community Netball Cluster tournament on Tuesday 11th January: Mille, Hollie, JJ, Maddie & Saffron. I



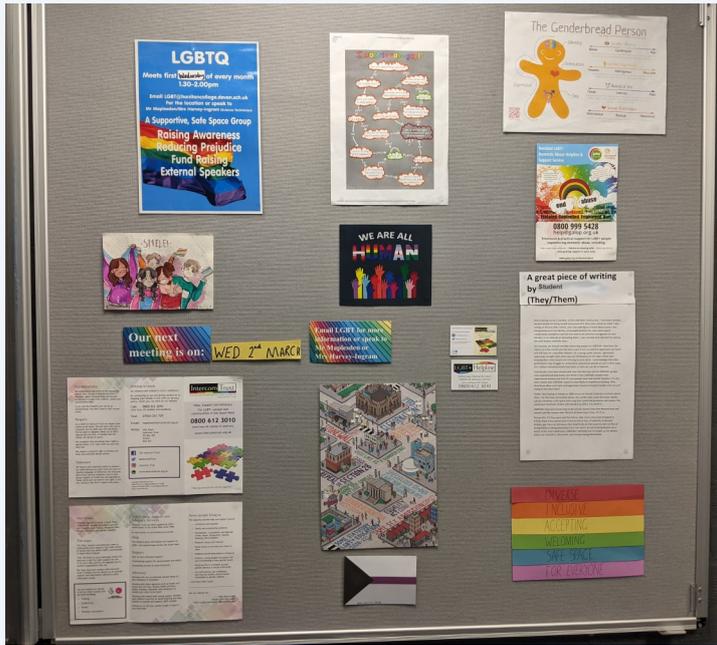
know for them it means missing their own training, although I know that the experience is invaluable too.

The girls were certainly commended by myself and the other primary school teachers - again, a group of girls that are fantastic role models and a credit to themselves and HCC.

I certainly wouldn't be able to run the event without them!

Mrs S Ayres, Honiton Primary School

LGBTQ



At HCC There is a monthly, confidential, group to support young people who identify as LGBTQ and their friends (allies), it has been running for 3 years (with a break, during the pandemic).

We are an informal group who are led by topics the students choose.

February is LGBTQ history month and there will be assemblies to celebrate those people in history who excelled and are recognised as LGBTQ (though they may not have been able to be open about this).

The group is important as it is a difficult subject for people to talk about and often young LGBTQ people feel isolated, they may find it difficult to talk to anyone about how they feel, they are at much higher risk of mental health difficulties, self harm, physical and verbal abuse.

As a College we have applied to complete the “Rainbow Flag Award” which we will start in May 2022. Our aim is to make our school more understanding and inclusive of everyone and to reduce bullying.

One of the subjects brought up was to offer a support/ information group for parents/carers. If this is something you are interested in or you think your young person maybe questioning their sexuality and identity and want to know how to support them please email: LGBTQ@honitoncollege.devon.sch.uk. This is completely confidential; we will not discuss individuals without the student consent.



So far, we have achieved: a safe place for monthly meetings, a notice board to raise awareness, assemblies for LGBTQ history month, using pronouns on staff school email.

This year we want to join the country in celebrating School Diversity Week in June and 50 Years of Pride in this country. We are planning events to raise awareness and acceptance throughout the college. Please get in touch with any ideas you have or any brightly coloured or rainbow material.

Thank You, Mrs Harvey-Ingram and Mr Maplesden (group facilitators)

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Congratulations

Hallie Bennett (Year 7) and her gymnastics partner who represented Honiton Gymnastics Club at the Pat Wade Classic competition in Stoke-on-Trent at the end of January. Hallie and her partner reached with final and finished 4th overall. 1st and 2nd place went to Gymnasts already in the Great Britain team so what a fantastic achievement.



Courtesy of Ben Lee Photography

Their next competition in Kent during the Easter break – good luck!

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Data Free Learning Resource



The preparations for the exam season are continuing and Years 11 and 13 have received more specific information today. The good news is that the online resources to support revision are continually improving. Oak National Academy is a government backed resource for teachers and students and covers all the subjects taught in our curriculum. Recently this has returned to being data-free and exempt from costs on all major networks. In other words, pupils can access Oak's lessons without impacting on their mobile data limits or incurring any cost for accessing the internet.

Read more [about Oak being data-free here](#). If students want to revisit any topics they have covered in lessons they can quickly find a lesson that links. There is a video lesson, follow-up activities and a short quiz to test their growing understanding.

This is in addition to all the platforms students have access to via their school email and Office365. Please continue to encourage them to do this as it allows them to gain access to many of the programmes they will need, for example, Microsoft Word, PowerPoint and Excel. If they have any problems accessing this or ClassCharts please contact ICTSupport@honitoncollege.devon.sch.uk

SPRING TERM 2022

Friday 18 February 2022 – **Non-Student Day (Platinum Jubilee)**

Monday 21 to Friday 25 February 2022 – **Half Term**

Thursday 17 March - Year 11 Progress Evening (15.45hrs - 19.00hrs)

Thursday 24 March - Year 12 &13 Progress Evening (15.45hrs - 19.00hrs)

Friday 8 April 2022 – **Last Day of Term**

SUMMER TERM 2022

Monday 25 April 2022 – **Start of Term**

Monday 2 May 2022 – **Bank Holiday**

Thursday 26 May - Year 8 Progress Day

Friday 10 June - Sports Day

Monday 30 May to Friday 3 June 2022 – **Half Term**

Monday 27 June 2022 – Non-Student Day

Friday 1 July - Year 11 Prom

Thursday 14 July to Saturday -16 July HCC Summer Musical

Friday 22 July 2022 – **Last Day of Term**



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