



4 November 2022

Dear Parent/Carer

Homework

Following a trial period last half term all teachers will now be setting homework on Class Charts. The overview of the task and deadline will be included but this may signpost students to resources on different platforms such as Teams or Seneca. In addition to the work being set on Class Charts, students will be expected to make a note in their planner. We hope this will be beneficial to both students and parents.

Road Safety

If you are collecting your children from school, please do park considerately and avoid parking around Maidens Croft, which is the collection of sheltered housing flats off the Allendale Road. Parking here means that residents are unable to gain access to their car parking spaces and the pavements.

Geography Trip

Year 13 Geography students spent half term touring the Golden Circle in Iceland. They visited the rift valleys of the Mid-Atlantic Ridge and visited interactive museums learning about the tectonic setting and hazards of the country.

The students enjoyed visiting the many waterfalls and trekking up a volcano and across a glacier. They swam in geothermal pools, saw geysirs and toured a geothermal power plant. They were even lucky enough to get great shots of the northern lights! It was an excellent opportunity to see in person the physical landscapes and management of the hazards for their A Level exam.



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Senior Maths Challenge Success

Around 54,000 Sixth Form students in the United Kingdom take part in the Senior Maths Challenge. This is a one hour maths test completed without a calculator. The highest achieving 66% of these entrants gain a Bronze award, the highest achieving 33% of entrants gain a Silver award and those gaining the top 11% of marks achieve a Gold award. We are delighted with the successes of our students this year:

Bronze Award

- Year 12: Jacob K, Thomas C, Thomas A, Arran A, Ebony L, Alexander K, James Y, Felix H-H

Silver Award

- Year 11: Harvey T, Tom C, Daniel H (entered even though it is a Sixth Form challenge!)
- Year 12: James M, Sophie L, Rhiannon W
- Year 13: Christian R, Timothy B

Gold Award

- Year 12: Anna-Maria K, Peter C, Alice D L
- Year 13: Hew H, Maisie S

These five Gold Award students have qualified for the Senior Kangaroo challenge to be held in 2 weeks' time. They are in the top 6000 Sixth Form mathematicians in the country. Anna-Maria has recently joined the school from Ukraine.

Rowing Club Training Days and Times

Tuesdays and Thursdays: Now in the school gym, 3.30pm – 5.30pm. Please come prepared to run and do high intensity work. Please bring a large water bottle.

Saturdays and Sundays: Tyne Green, 9.30am – 12.30pm, but will not restart until Sunday 13 November – see below.

- Please note that due to the Tyne Tour this weekend there will be no training (5 and 6 November).
- Saturday 12 November is the Durham event (selected crews only).

If you have any questions, please email pgaines@hexhammiddle.org.uk or pwalton@qehs.net . We now have a dedicated Rowing webpage at <https://www.qehs.net/index.php/qehs-rowing/> where we will update training times and event information.

Kind regards

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