



HERALD

THE WEEKLY NEWSLETTER FROM ALEC HUNTER HUMANITIES COLLEGE 20 November 2009—Issue 8 Wk B

HEADLINES from ANDREW HUTCHINSON

Dear Family

Recently students in Years 8-10 brought home letters to parents reporting the progress that they have made since the start of term in September.

Our reports are structured to help families easily check the progress that is being made at college.

Progress indicators are used to show how well students are moving towards their target. These progress checks take place five times each year.

Our latest reports indicate that the following percentages of students are on target to achieve their demanding objectives:

Our targets are set by using Government guidelines that ensure that we, as teachers, have the highest expectations of each and every individual.

The students who make the best progress this term, will be recognised at our Celebration Assemblies at the end of term.

	YEAR 8	YEAR 9	YEAR 10
ENGLISH	87%	91%	96%
MATHS	88%	80%	98%
SCIENCE	94%	88%	96%

STUDENT NAME

TERM DATES

AUTUMN TERM
7 September— 18 December
CHRISTMAS BREAK
21 December 2009—1 January 2010
SPRING TERM
4 January—1 April 2010

COLLEGE OFFICE OPENING TIMES

Visitors Reception

8.15 am - 4.15 pm Mon-Thurs
8.15 am - 3.45 pm Friday

Student Reception

8.30 am - 3.25 pm Mon-Fri

STUDENT ABSENCE HOTLINE AND E-MAIL

We would be grateful if parents reporting absence would use our new service:

Tel: 01376 559356
jackie.jackson@alechunter.essex.sch.uk
Text: 07781474810

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LINE MANAGEMENT

Please find below our line management arrangements for students. The first point of call for enquiries should be your child's tutor and then their Pastoral Manager. Our Achievement Co-ordinators focus on your child's progress in lessons. Also included are the Leadership Group responsibilities for each Curriculum Area to help parents in knowing who to approach for assistance.

YEAR 7	YEAR 8	YEAR 9	YEAR 10	YEAR 11
Form Tutors				
Mrs Barnes Pastoral Leader	Mrs Porter Pastoral Leader	Mrs Porter Pastoral Leader	Mr Deeks Pastoral Leader	Mr Deeks Pastoral Leader
Mr Moreno Achievement Co-ordinator	Mrs Ogilvie Achievement Co-ordinator	Mrs Stringer Achievement Co-ordinator	Miss Jones Achievement Co-ordinator	Mrs Stalker Achievement Co-ordinator
Mrs Richards Assistant Headteacher – KS3 Director			Mrs Hills Assistant Headteacher – KS4 Director	

Miss T Leack	Child Protection
Mrs J Jackson	Attendance Officer

Should you have a subject-related query, for example, homework, e-folio, the first port of contact should be with the class teacher. Listed below are the Heads of each Curriculum Area.

Subject	Head of Curriculum Area	Senior Leader
English	Mrs Mitchell	Mr Hutchinson
Maths	Mr Govender	Mrs Hills
Science	Mrs Stevens	Miss Leack
Geography/History/RE	Mr Guilford	Mrs Hills
Technology and Art	Mr Todd	Miss Leack
French/German/Spanish	Mrs Bradley	Mr Lawn
ICT	Ms Walker	Mr Birley
PE/Drama/Music	Mr Edwards	Mr Lawn
Citizenship	Mrs Hewes	Mr Birley
Personal Development	Mrs Artus (Co-ordinator)	Mrs Richards

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COMMUNITY LEARNING VILLAGE

Some of you may know of our plans to build a Community Learning Village at Alec Hunter. We want to create a part of the site which is open from 8am—8pm, where the community can meet and study.

If you have any thoughts on this, or wish to be involved in any way, please contact Mr Birley at Alec Hunter Humanities College on 01376 321813

PUBLIC EXHIBITION— BRAINTREE FREEPORT FOOTBRIDGE

We have been informed of an exhibition showing the County Council's proposals for a new footbridge over the railway line near Braintree Freeport Station. The proposed footbridge will link the Heathlands residential development with Braintree Freeport Leisure Park.

The proposals for the scheme include:

- A new bridge for cycle and pedestrian usage
- New footways including ramps

The exhibition will give an opportunity to view the proposals in details and to talk to members of the Council's project team. The exhibition will be held at:

The Meeting Room, Braintree Swimming Centre, Charter Way, Braintree

Thursday 26 November 2009	3.00 pm—8.00 pm
Saturday 28 November 2009	10.00 am—4.00 pm

The exhibition can also be viewed at Braintree Library between Wednesday 18 November and Wednesday 25 November 2009

Monday—Friday	9.00 am—7.00 pm
Saturday	9.00 am—5.00 pm
Sunday	1.00 pm—4.00 pm

If you are unable to attend and would like more information please email or telephone
www.essex.gov.uk/braintreefreeport or 0845 6037631

CHRISTMAS LUNCH

All students should have come home with a letter about Christmas lunch.

Could reply slips and money please be returned to either the College Office or Kitchen by Thursday 3 December 2009.

LISTENING CHAMPIONS

YEAR 7 **Stephanie Holdstock**

YEAR 8 **Ella Harrison**

YEAR 9 **Lauren Edwards**

APOLOGIES

Last week's Year 7 Listening Champion and Student of the week should have read:

Listening Champion **Bethan Reading**

Student of the Week **Lydia Swan**

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

YEAR 7 **Sean Kinsella-Illott**

YEAR 8 **Felicity Lam**

YEAR 9 **Daniel Perry**

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ALEC HUNTER CHRISTMAS RAFFLE



£1 per strip

If you would like to purchase a raffle ticket please contact Mrs Artus or the main office.

Prizes

- A Harrods Hamper worth £350
- A Harrods large Teddy Bear
- Photography Sitting, worth £140 by Barrett & Co Photography
- Various Starbucks Gifts
- Drinks Hamper
- Bottles of wine
- Chocolates
- AHHC 50th ale pack
- Various children's prizes
- Chocoholic's gifts
- Jewellery
- 5 x £10 Freeport Vouchers
- And much more...

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to **Bethan Reading 7L** and **Ellis Haselden 7L** who were the first students in Year 7 to achieve all nine curriculum area stickers. Each was awarded a £5 Freeport Voucher from Mrs Jackson. Well done.

Congratulations to the following students who cashed in their merit pages recently. Well done to **Sophie Jones, Emily Bunyan, Lydia Swan, Paige Bolton, Alex Abram, Charlie Lucas, Emma Ashton, Joanna Pasciak, Bethan Reading, Andrew McArthur-West, Sam Hardy, Meagan Page, Chelsea Green, Rebecca Gedge, Chris Leeks, Josh Dade, Patrick Kelleher, Ellis Haselden, Mandy Jackson, Laurice Olding** and **Aaron Wainwright**.

HEADTEACHER'S SURGERY TIMES

Tuesday 24 November 2009 8.45

Friday 27 November 2009 3.30

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CLASSROOM CODE OF CONDUCT

LISTEN TO OTHERS AND THEIR VIEWS

COLLEGE UNIFORM SHOP ORDERING AND COLLECTION OF UNIFORM ORDERS

The College uniform shop is open on Tuesdays from 3.20—4.00 pm. This is for purchasing, placing orders and collection of uniform.

The College office does not take telephone orders. Order forms can be downloaded from the College website and sent in with your child, which will ensure that your order is correct.

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