



HERALD

THE WEEKLY NEWSLETTER FROM ALEC HUNTER HUMANITIES COLLEGE 23 October 2009—Issue 5 Wk B

HEADLINES *from* ANDREW HUTCHINSON

Dear Family

Welcome to the last edition of this half term's Herald. We have had a very successful term and we have welcomed a large number of important visitors to the College. One of the most frequent observations by our guests has been the view that students are hard at work and learning effectively in lessons.

When students and staff return to Alec Hunter Humanities College on Monday 2 November for an 8.45 am start on a Week B, it will be to continue this hard work and commitment for learning.

Many of our Year 11 students will be aiming high by taking their GCSE in English and/or Maths during the first two weeks of November. This is only possible because these students have been learning consistently over the last four years at Alec Hunter Humanities College and are able to enter these exams early. Hard work, determination and concentration are vital for each of them to achieve their best. The College will be open for revision sessions over half-term..

REMINDER: The field and grass areas will be out of bounds from 2 November 2009.

STUDENT NAME

TERM DATES

AUTUMN TERM
7 September— 18 December
HALF TERM
26—30 October

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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**REALITY ROADSHOW
TUESDAY 20 OCTOBER 2009**

Year 9 Reality Roadshow went extremely well, with all students thoroughly enjoying all seven workshops. These were run by Essex Police, Essex Fire Brigade, Drugsline, Alcohelphelp, Braintree District Council Environmental Services, Community Services and Road Safety.

All students were very well-behaved and felt that they had learnt a great deal from the information given to them on the day. Below are a selection of comments from students:

“The day was really good and we all enjoyed it.

Our favourite workshop was the Alcohelphelp one because Terri gave us lots of good information as we got to wear beer goggles that made you see like you were drunk”.

Ellen Franklin and Nicola Campbell

“The Reality Roadshow was really useful and an eye opener. There were a number of workshops such as Alcohol, Drugs, litter, Police, Fire and Perceptions.

I learnt new things, such as I didn't know alcohol can make the brain get smaller. In the Police Workshop there was A B and C the Police would ask us a question and we would go to A B or C and if one person got it wrong we would get a card and the person who got the most cards would go into a prize draw. Gemma Plank was one of the people who entered into the draw because she got the most cards”. **Harry Boodrie**

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“On the 20 October 2009, Year 9 at Alec Hunter took part in a Reality Roadshow day.

It consisted of six workshops:

- Litter by Braintree County Council
- Fire Safety and Hoax Calls
- Perceptions
- Police
- Alcohol
- Drugs

We all had a very good day and learnt a lot. I personally enjoyed the Alcohol and Fire Safety workshops as they were very interesting and graphic (in a good way).

On a whole the day was fantastic and I would love to do it again. **Gemma Plank**

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LIBRARY NEWS

Things have got a little bit scary in the library!....come along and sign up for our **HORROR FESTIVAL!**
Poetry Competition > Reading Challenge > Story Writing...lots of prizes.

HEADTEACHER'S SURGERY TIMES

Monday 2 November	9.00
Wednesday 4 November	4.30

HERALD ONLINE

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HEADLICE

Could we please make parents aware that we have had a couple of reported cases of headlice in the College.

Could you please check your child's hair and treat accordingly.

PROM PATISSERIE



Well done to the Year 11 students who raised £57.00 from the Prom Patisserie at Year 11 Parents' Evening.

CLASSROOM CODE OF CONDUCT

SIT SENSIBLY ON CHAIRS

MEMORY STICKS

Could parents please remind students that if they are putting work on their memory sticks, the memory stick should **always** be backed up, either at home or in school.

COLLEGE OFFICE

The College Office will be closed on Monday 26, Tuesday 27 and Wednesday 28 October. It will be open on Thursday 29 and Friday 30 October from 9.00 am to 3.30 pm.

UNIFORM SHOP WILL ONLY BE OPEN ON THURSDAY 29 OCTOBER FROM 12.00 NOON TO 2.00 PM.

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