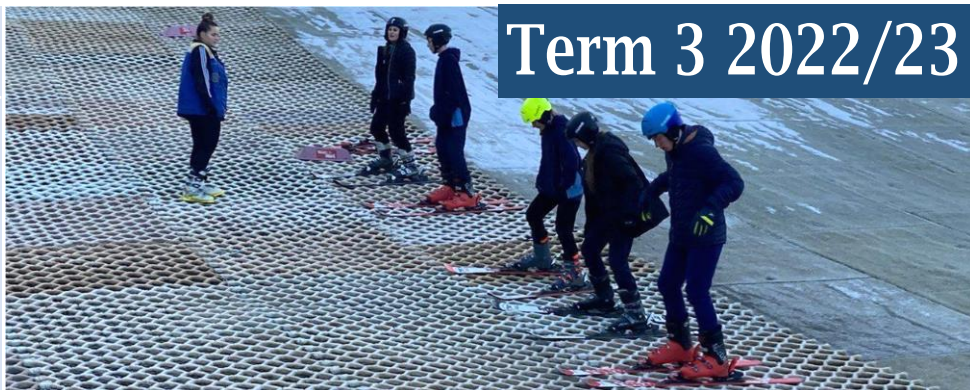


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Term 3 2022/23

A termly insight into Hugh Christie School

The Place To Be



Up and coming events>>>

Friday 10th February
End of Term 3

Monday 20th February
Start of Term 4
New Semester 2 timetables

Friday 3rd March
World Book Day 2023

4th to 11th March
Ski Trip

Friday 10th March
Visit to St Hugh's College
University of Oxford

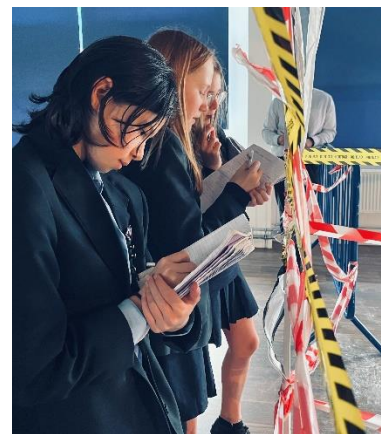
Wednesday 22nd March
Year 11 parent and carer
consultation event 4pm-7pm

Aliens Crash Land!

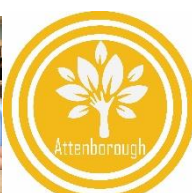
Aliens have crash landed at Hugh Christie School! Space dust, circuit boards, moon rocks and green slime were everywhere!

For the Semester 1 Skills Builder Challenge Day, it was Year 7 and 8's task to gather evidence to build up a picture of what type of alien they were and how best could they welcome them to planet Earth.

Students were able to develop their skills in problem solving, creativity, speaking & listening and teamwork to name just a few working within their Advisory Groups for the day. Many thanks to our Year 11 artists - Imi, Amber and Emily for their creative flair helping set up the crash site.



Our 2022 Christmas Charity Day was a great success. Thank you to all the students, staff and parents who supported our fund raising efforts. In total, £1004.82 has been donated to Ronald McDonald Houses. These are located as close as possible to specialist children's hospitals across the UK and mean that families can be by their unwell child's bedside in a matter of moments, whilst maintaining a degree of normal life and reducing emotional and financial strain.

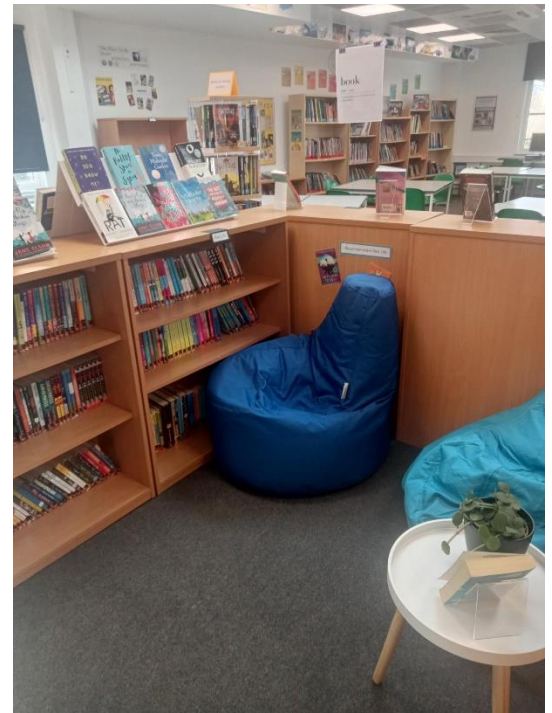


Howard Library Gets New Look

The Howard Library has re-opened this week!

New seating areas for quiet reading have been created, much to the excitement of the students, and the shelves have been re-stocked with brilliant new books. Our new manga books have flown off the shelves - more manga books are on their way! At Hugh Christie we are passionate about reading, not just for the benefits across all academic subjects, but also for its ability to reduce stress, improve sleep quality and increase empathy and creativity. Please encourage your child to visit the library to choose a book and talk to them about what they are reading.

We are still missing hundreds of library books that have been borrowed in recent times. Please have a hunt at home and return any books as soon as possible.



PSHE DAY 2 BRINGS SOME SUMMER FUN

Earlier this term, students across the school participated in our second PSHE & Citizenship Day of this academic year.

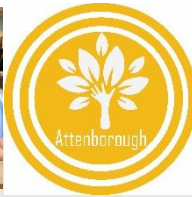
Students participated in a range of activities across our five topics of Health, Finance, Citizenship, Futures and Relationships. Students were also able to hear from some outside visitors who were able to provide them with their perspective including a former prisoner.

Students in the Lighthouse participated in an alternative PSHE activity looking at how to arrange, book and prepare for a summer holiday. They got to choose every aspect of their holiday, down to who was going, when, where and which excursions they would like to go on.

Thank you to everyone, especially the Hugh Christie staff, for making these PSHE Days so successful.

The next day is on Tuesday 25th April.





CONGRATULATIONS FRASER!

Harrison Fraser (Year 11) competed in the Kent County Cross Country Championships at the weekend and came fourth. He has now qualified for the English School Championships. He designed his vest which shows he is representing Hugh Christie!



Access to Period Products

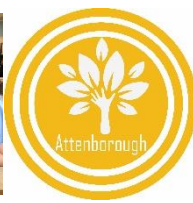
Period products, such as pads and tampons, are available in school for all who need them and when they need them. Having periods should not be a barrier to anyone coming to school. If you need pads or tampons, they are available from the **Medical Room** (open every break and lunchtime), **Mrs Swinnerton's Office** or your **Head of Year** (you can email them if you do not want to ask in person).

GREAT GIRLS FOOTBALL SUCCESS

This term the Year 7/8 and 9/10 Girls' Football Teams made a great start to the season. It is fantastic to see so many girls turning up to football training and matches this year.

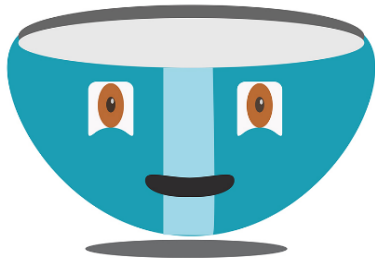
Both teams have shown great work ethic, commitment, resilience and team work in their games during their tournaments. Well done and good luck for the rest of your season.





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REPORT ONLINE HARM

Is your child using one of the many social media services and, if so, do you know which ones they are using? If they are, do you know what they should do if they experience harm from others?

Unfortunately, every service has its own system for reporting harm. However on the school website, for Internet Safety Day 2023, we have added a page with a link to the harm reporting pages of some of the key social media providers. To access this, visit www.hughchristie.kent.sch.uk/online-safety.

In the event of a serious concern where your child's safety is at risk, contact the Police via CEOP (www.ceop.police.uk/ceop-reporting/ for urgent advice.



For Sketchbook December, 2022, we held 'Abstract Advent' with daily visual prompts that challenged us to think outside the box and stretch our creativity.

Responses could be in any form - drawing, painting, photography for example. We had many entries and were so impressed with all the different interpretations of the prompts and the wide range of materials, processes and techniques. Winners will be announced shortly - watch this space!