



Newsletter - Spring 2022

A message from Mrs Dunbavin

Hello and a very warm welcome to our Spring newsletter. What a busy term it has been! Our new year 7's are now settled and making excellent progress in all areas. It was great to see lots of pupils enjoy a trip to Crocky trail this week. They looked like they had a great time. We have had several speakers in this half term talking about safeguarding topics such as knife crime and county lines to support and educate pupils to keep safe in the community. All pupils behaviour has been amazing and a credit to the school.

It has been another challenging term continuing to deal with the pandemic. I would like to recognise the school staff for their hard work throughout. We have a team who work hard to support the school and are all dedicated to support each learner to achieve. I could not do this without them. I would like to thank each of our fantastic children who attend Hope High School. They have also coped well with all the changes over the last academic year.

Your continued support is greatly appreciated, you have all been fantastic. We are hoping for some normality during the summer term with the return of community events. This term we raised £85.58 for Red Nose Day. We have our leavers presentation on Thursday 23rd June, Year 7's coffee morning and the return of our fantastic annual BBQ on 13th July from 12.30pm followed by your child's progress meetings. I hope you can all join us.

As a school we strive to improve and really value your feedback. Please take some time to complete the questionnaires being sent out after Easter so we can use it to move forward and become an even better school.

We hope you all have a safe and lovely Easter Holiday, we look forward to seeing you all on Tuesday 19th April..

KS3 Drama Lessons

This term, in Drama, KS3 have been exploring the exciting unit of Puppets! Pupils have designed and created their own finger puppets and hand puppets with Miss Forrester. They have brought them to life, acting out scenarios using their superb performance skills. Our Puppet Stage is underway made kindly by KS4 pupils in DT - an enthralling show is under way, watch this space!



Design Technology

Our pupils thoroughly enjoy their DT lessons with Mr Perry. This term our KS3 pupils have designed trinket boxes, toy trains and cars, Xbox storage systems, money boxes and much more.

Our KS4 pupils have designed Go Karts!

Two of our Year 9 pupils are currently working on a wooden picnic bench for the pupils to use outside in the Summer.

We're looking forward to seeing this when it's finished!



Food Technology

Our pupils love taking part in their Food Technology lessons. This term our KS3 pupils have made lots of sweet and savoury treats with Mr Perry. These have included gingerbreads, jam tarts, chocolate cake, chicken kebabs, pizza, chicken and sweetcorn ramen and chimichangas.

Our KS4 pupils have made a range of recipes with Mr Baines, from Eton mess to stir fry.

We can't wait to try next term's dishes!



In other news....

Preventing Far Right Extremism Through Education

In February, we hosted a 'Small Steps Event'. Our Year 9's and 10's took part in a session to raise awareness of radicalisation and far right extremism.

SMASHED Live Event

Pupils from Year 7 through to Year 10 attended an online alcohol education event in March. This session followed a theatrical experience and interactive workshop surrounding the story of three friends involved in peer pressure and underage drinking. Pupils were educated about the causes and effects of underage drinking and social influences.

Thank you to our Safeguarding Lead Mrs Baguley for organising these events.



Humanitarian Crisis Response

Thanks to the generosity of our staff, pupils and their families we donated lots of essential items to send across the border to Ukraine.

Amazing things can happen when communities come together.

Thank you all for your kindness!

Support for Ukraine

In Art, some of our Year 7 pupils painted Ukrainian flags to show their support.



“The family at Hope High and the community congratulate Dauntless Cheer after their recent competition in Chester. They brought home 9 trophies from the North West competition including 6 first places, 1 second and 2 third places. They are competing again in Nottingham in April.

Dauntless Cheer use our school hall to practice twice a week, on Monday and Tuesday evenings.

They will be recruiting for more cheerleaders to prepare for next season. Boys and girls are welcome, from 4 years to adult with no experience necessary. If you want to know more about the club check out their Facebook page: Dauntless Cheer - Skelmersdale or email info@dauntlesscheer.com for information on joining one of their classes.

If you or your club are looking for facilities to hire please enquire via email lettings@hope.lancs.sch.uk “



Mindful Morning

The Willow Room

Every Friday morning, in the Willow Intervention Room, students have the opportunity to take part in our Mindfulness activities. Students are rewarded with these activities when they have had an outstanding week. Organised by Miss Cunliffe, Miss Askew and Miss Kershaw, these activities include crafts, cooking, food tasting and challenges. Each week represents a different theme, national awareness day or cultural celebration. This term these have included:

LGBTQ+ History Month

International Women's Day

St Patrick's Day

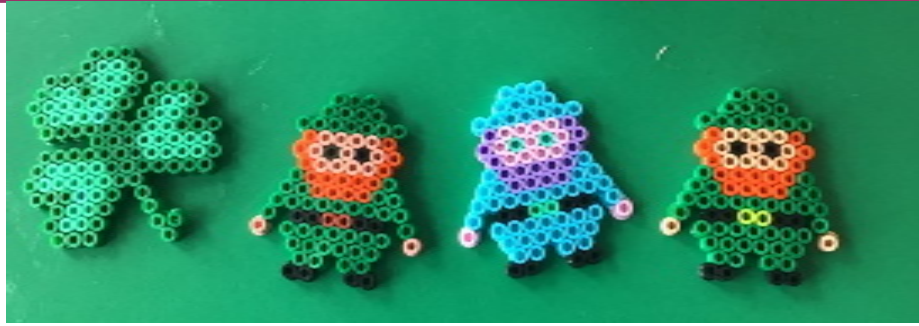
Neurodiversity Celebration Week

Mindful Mornings allow children to build on their social skills and team bonding as well as positive thinking and cultural learning.

International Women's Day

Our pupils spent this Mindful Morning painting sun catchers and putting together a small gift of appreciation for all our female members of staff. Pupils wrote kind words to say thank you for all their hard work and support.





St. Patrick's Day - March 2022

During interventions pupils made a variety of paper crafts, green milkshakes and Hama bead leprechauns. Pupils who participated in Mindful Morning made their own 'egg cress heads', which we are watching grow daily.



Neurodiversity Celebration Week

Throughout the week, pupils created a range of art and craft pieces demonstrating their ideas of what neurodiversity is, what it represents and why our neurological differences should be celebrated. Pupils discussed what makes each of us unique and how we should recognise our talents and strengths. We discussed neurological conditions such as ADHD, Autism and Learning Difficulties and focused on embracing our differences and being a united community.



Tie-Dye

During this Mindful Morning pupils designed Tie dye T-shirts, tote bags, socks and bobbles to celebrate Neurodiversity and Holi Colour Festival. The pupils and staff had lots of fun and created some amazing designs.

What a fantastic final Mindful Morning of the term!



Follow us on social media!

**Keep in the know how with all of Hope High School's important upcoming information posted on our social media accounts.
Give us a follow to keep up to date!**



We use Facebook and Twitter to post all of our fun curriculums in school for parents and carers to see along with all important updates.

We use the Weduc app to keep in contact with parents and carers. This can also be used to pay for children's dinners which is super handy!



**HAPPY EASTER
FROM OUR THERAPY
DOGS
MILLIE AND LOLA**

**It seems Millie is ready for
the break!**



Hope High School

**HAVE A LOVELY
EASTER!**



Holiday schedule for next term - Summer 2022

School re-opens

Tuesday 19 April 2022

Half term: Monday 30 May -

Friday 3 June 2022

May Day Bank Holiday

Monday

Monday 2 May 2022

School re-opens

Tuesday 7 June

2022

School closes

Friday 27 May 2022

School closes

Friday 22 July 2022