



MARK HALL ACADEMY



WEEKLY BULLETIN

SPRING TERM - FRIDAY 8 MARCH 2019

Term Dates 2018-19

Spring Term 2019

Monday 7 January—Friday 5 April
Half Term: 18 February - 22 February
Staff Training Day—11 January 2019

Summer Term 2019

Tuesday 23 April—Friday 19 July
Half term: 27 May—31 May
May Bank Holiday: 6 May

Term Dates 2019-20

Autumn Term 2019

Tuesday 3 September—20 December

Half Term: **21 October —1 November**

Spring Term 2020

6 January—3 April 2020
Half Term: 17 February—21 February

Summer Term 2020

20 April—17 July
Half term: 25 May—29 May
May Bank Holiday: 4 May

Please note the highlighted date for Autumn 1/2 term. This is a two week break due to moving into

Dates for Your Diary

Monday 11 March	Ski Trip Information Evening	5.30 pm
Wednesday 13 March	Parent Council Meeting	5.15 pm
Friday 15 March	Science Museum Trip	Year 7 students
Tuesday 19 March	Woman in Black Theatre Trip	Years 10 & 11
Wednesday 20 March	Little Shop of Horrors Auditions	3.10 pm
Tuesday 26 March	SpringBlast Dance Event	
Friday 29 March	Jack Petchey Speak Out Challenge	

This week saw some of our Year 11 and Year 10 students start to take their final GCSE exams. Today the students were being assessed in drama on their performance pieces. Mr McHugh was pleased with how the performances went and the students I spoke to were very positive. So all being well this is the beginning of some excellent results. Now the students need to really start increasing their revision, not just for the ongoing mocks but also for the final exams in the summer. Good luck to all our students doing exams.

Over the course of this week we have also had Year 8 parents'/carers' evening. It was good to see lots of you there. We also had great excitement on Thursday with World Book Day. Please see the photos below. Lots of staff and students got into the spirit of the day by dressing up as their favourite literacy character.

Across the site we have also had a number of developments. The roof on the art and drama block is finished. The new building continues to grow before our eyes. We are now moving onto the 3G pitch. I am aware that the pitch is damaged in places and needs repair. The pitch will now be closed to school use while we organise contractors to resurface the entire pitch. While this will take a number of weeks we look forward to what will essentially be a brand new 3G astro pitch in due course.

Next week we have an information evening for next year's ski trip. We also have our Parents'/Carers' Council Meeting and later in the week we have our trip to the Science Museum. So lots to look forward to. We are also soon to begin preparations for our next major production. This will be Little Shop of Horrors. If your children want to be involved they need to be ready for the auditions on Wednesday 20 March.

Have a great weekend and see you all next week.

J Fuller
Principal

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Notices / Letters Home / Information on Website

Please click on the links below to view letters that have been emailed or sent home:

<http://www.mha.atrust.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2019/01/SchoolMoney-letter-Jan-2019-1.doc>

<http://www.mha.atrust.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2019/02/Work-Experience-Form.pdf>

<http://www.mha.atrust.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2019/02/WE-Application.pdf>

<http://www.mha.atrust.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2019/02/WE-letter-for-parents.pdf>

<http://www.mha.atrust.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2019/02/March-Mock-Parent-Timetable-1.pdf>

<http://www.mha.atrust.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2019/03/Mobile-Phones-Exam-Letter-2.pdf>

Early Break & Lunch Times: It is the turn of Year 9 students to have half a term of 5 minute early break and lunch times.

Library Books: We are really pleased that students are borrowing books from the academy Library, but please can you make sure that these books are returned so that other students can enjoy them. Thank you .

We will take the strongest sanctions against any students whose behaviour outside academy hours is in any way unacceptable. A small number of students are not behaving politely or with consideration on local buses on the way home. It is completely unacceptable to behave rudely or boisterously and make older people and young children, in particular, feel threatened or vulnerable. You are also bringing the academy into disrepute and this is an excludable offence.

Student Behaviour and Consequences (detentions)

In order to drive up standards and expectations we will be continuing a 'next day' consequence (detention.)

STEER consequence will remain on the same day it is set which means that if your child is sent to the STEER room they will be required to remain until 4.10pm. We will endeavour to get this message to you but as you can appreciate, if this occurs late in the day we will do so as soon as we can.

What does this mean?

If a student receives a C3/C4 on one day, he/she will sit the consequence the following day in a central location.

Why are we doing this?

We have found that there has been too much lag time between the setting and sitting of consequences. This way the issue is dealt with almost 'there and then.'

Informing Parents

Parents will be informed via text/email the day before. The student will be given a consequence slip. The student will not be collected. STEER will take place on the same day therefore slips and texts will not go out.

How long are consequences?

C3 is 60 minutes

STEER is 60 minutes

C4 is 90 minutes.

Escorting students.

It is the responsibility of each student to arrive on time.

What happens if a student does not attend?

If a C3 is set and missed a C4 will be set.

If a C4 is set and missed a C5 will be set.

Thank you for your ongoing support in ensuring we drive up standards.

World Book Day at Mark Hall Academy

A big thank you to all staff and students who took part in World Book Day, it was fantastic to see the array of literary characters being celebrated!

Throughout the course of the day staff and students took part in a range of activities: our 'Big Booky Breakfast' saw 25 keen readers meet for breakfast and share their favourite reads, whilst taking away some recommendations for the future. Home Groups were challenged to take part in the 'Make your mark challenge', with students working together to design a National Book Token. Finally, we had students across the Academy playing 'I spy', using recreation time to approach staff members to discover who they had come dressed as and the title of their characters text... winners are to be announced!



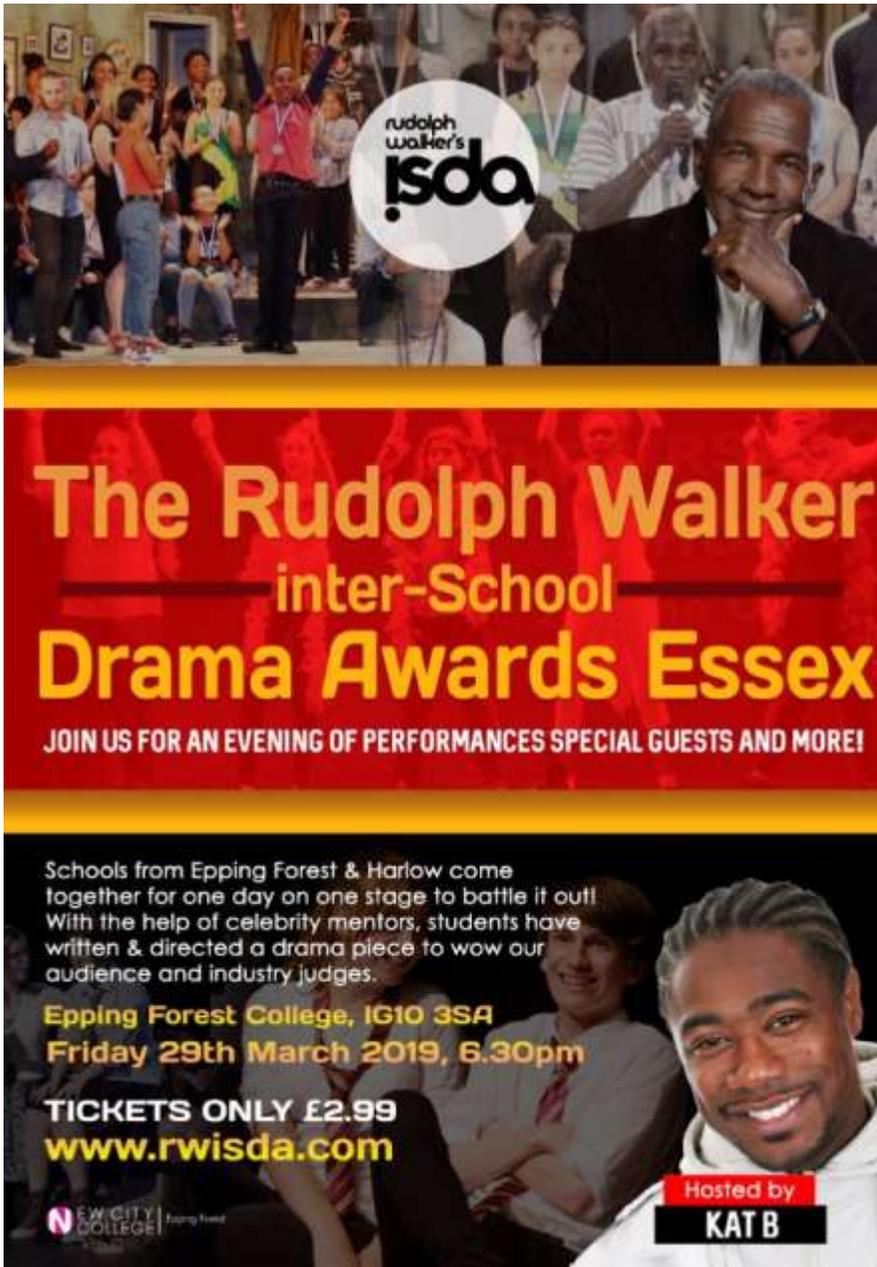


**LITTLE SHOP
OF
HORRORS
AUDITIONS**

**Wednesday 20th March 2019
West Hall from 3.10pm**

**Film Viewings: 11th - 15th March every lunchtime in
LRC and 15th March LRC at 3.10pm**

**Males to sing Seymour's verse in
'Suddenly Seymour'
Females to sing Audrey's verse.
Also, prepare a short part of a song of
your own choice that shows your vocal
ability.
See JMC/EVE/CMU for an Acting
Audition pack.**



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The Rudolph Walker inter-School Drama Awards Essex

JOIN US FOR AN EVENING OF PERFORMANCES SPECIAL GUESTS AND MORE!

Schools from Epping Forest & Harlow come together for one day on one stage to battle it out! With the help of celebrity mentors, students have written & directed a drama piece to wow our audience and industry judges.

Epping Forest College, IG10 3SA
Friday 29th March 2019, 6.30pm

TICKETS ONLY £2.99
www.rwisda.com

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CALLING YOUNG TALENT!

The Rudolph Walker Foundation are looking for young talent to perform at our event, Friday 29th March 2019.

If you sing, write poetry, play an instrument or have any other talent email Admin@RudolphWalkerFoundation.com
Please include a video or link, full name and contact number.





Hawks Basketball Game

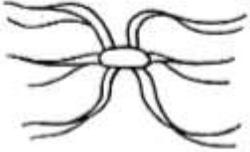
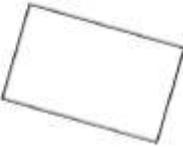
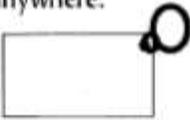
SENIOR TEAM GAME:

The Hawks senior men's team play their last Friday evening game on [Friday 15th Mar \(at Harlow Leisurezone \(LZ\)\)](#). For this game we will be using the whole hall and getting out tiered bleacher seating, there will be live match commentary during the game, the atmosphere is great and worth the experience. We hold a raffle for a basketball and club baseball cap, tickets for these can be purchased during the game until around half-time.

Entry is FREE*, so why not come along with the family and support the team, become a part of the great atmosphere and have an enjoyable night out with the family (bring friends along if you like). Doors open 8pm and Tip-off will be 8:20pm.

* Free Entry - If you have LZ membership then ensure that you have your card with you and get the token\card validated at LZ reception before the game to allow exit from the Car Park. If you are not a member of LZ then you will need to pay a guest fee to exit the car park.

Learning/Revision Techniques

<p>Map It</p> <p>Create a mind map of the key points.</p> 	<p>Journey It</p> <p>Remember lists of information by creating events and images at certain points on a journey.</p> 	<p>Index It</p> <p>Transfer the key points to index cards. Test yourself!</p> 
<p>Story It</p> <p>Create a weird and multi sensory story using the key points.</p> 	<p>Mnemonic It</p> <p>Use the first letter of key words to create a sentence.</p> <p>EG - Naughty Elephants Squirt Water</p> 	<p>Click It</p> <p>Create a presentation about the key points.</p> 
<p>Flip It</p> <p>Write questions and answers and flip it anywhere.</p> 	<p>Timeline It</p> <p>A great technique for dates or sequences - place them in order along a line, then add lots of colour and pictures.</p> 	<p>Sing It</p>  <p>Set some of your work to some familiar music. You can also rhyme the words or create a rap.</p>
<p>Record It</p> <p>Use your mobile to record yourself explaining the key points and play it back regularly.</p> 	<p>Post It</p> <p>Write key words on to post its and stick them around your room.</p> 	<p>Comic It</p> <p>Create your own comic strip using the main points.</p> 

Meteor Club



Monday to Friday in the LRC
3.10pm to 5.20pm

An opportunity for all year groups to get their homework done with support and resources to help.

Free activity of the week is offered once homework is complete, so you can get creative and socialise with students that are not normally in your friendship groups.

Friday - week 2, a film will be shown for you to relax with at the end of the week if you so wish, of course there is still the option to complete homework. Friday – week 1, is the opportunity to write reviews of the films watched to earn rewards scaled to the number of reviews written. Full details of which are displayed in the club.



Film - Little Shop of Horrors – the Musical - www.youtube.com/watch?v=TCOUPeIJ608

Working with the Creative Arts department due to this being their next production.

Academy Menu For week beginning 11 March 2019

GLOBAL ADVENTURE WEEK 2					
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
GLOBAL ADVENTURE	<p>MEDITERRANEAN Moroccan Style Chicken Stew 93154842</p> <p>Spiced Cous Cous 93042973</p> <p>Broccoli 93143358</p>	<p>CHINESE Five Spiced Beef 93159931</p> <p>Chinese Style Rice 93159971</p> <p>Sweetcorn 93094208</p>	<p>BRITISH Roast Pork 93098927</p> <p>Roast Potatoes (oil) 93035127</p> <p>Seasonal Cabbage 93143359</p> <p>Carrots 93065561</p> <p>Gravy 93034775</p>	<p>JAPANESE Teriyaki Glazed Chicken Thigh 93128109</p> <p>Pineapple Rice * 93156734</p> <p>Pickled Cucumber Salad 93128253</p>	<p>BRITISH Fisherman's Pie *** 93160249 (oily fish)</p> <p>Peas 93065563</p>
HIGH STREET FAVES	<p>DEEPSOUTH DINER New York Hot Dog 93142777</p>	<p>WINGS & THINGS Special Marinated Roast Chicken Drumsticks with BBQ or Sticky Tabasco 93130941</p>	<p>DEEPSOUTH DINER Beef Burger 93129200</p>	<p>WINGS & THINGS Chicken Mayo Bun 93153888</p>	<p>DEEPSOUTH DINER Chipotle Bbq Pork 93080520</p>
	<p>Louisiana Bean Pot 93159955</p>	<p>Cauliflower and Creamed Corn Bake 93130867</p>	<p>Sweet Potato & Black Bean Enchilada 93129220</p>	<p>Butternut Squash Feta Bake 93159973</p>	<p>Quorn Sausage Pattie & Cheese Bun 93133732</p>
	<p>Paprika Potato Wedges (no oil) 93157066</p>	<p>Garlic Bread* (no oil) 93154277</p>	<p>Baked Garlic & Herb Potato Wedges (no oil) 93157067</p>	<p>Cajun Potato Wedges (no oil) 93157065</p>	<p>Garlic Fries 93159936</p>
	<p>Red Slaw 93130896</p>	<p>Southern Greens 93154278</p>	<p>Peas 93065563</p>	<p>Corn on the Cob 93130897</p>	<p>American Style Slaw 93101975</p>
SPEEDY ITALIAN	<p>Veggie Hot One Pizza (v) 93128498</p>	<p>Chicken Supreme Pizza 93128497</p>	<p>Veggie Supreme Pizza (v) 93135569</p>	<p>Bacon Pizza 93041401</p>	<p>Sicilian Cheese & Tomato Pizza (V) 93137894</p>
	<p>Arrabiata Pasta (v) 93147953</p>	<p>Herby Tomato Pasta (v) 93147954</p>	<p>BBQ Chicken Pasta* 93147137</p>	<p>Beef Lasagne 93046483</p>	<p>Italian Chicken Pasta 93147955</p>
	<p>Margherita Pizza (v) 93041388</p>	<p>Margherita Pizza (v) 93041388</p>	<p>Margherita Pizza (v) 93041388</p>	<p>Margherita Pizza (v) 93041388</p>	<p>Margherita Pizza (v) 93041388</p>

Wholegrain * Oily Fish ***

This week's problem - always start with 42
what are your 3 totals?

42		
+4	×2	+10
-5	-12	-2
-12	+2	10% of it
+11	+5	×4
-34	-1	+10
+5	+5	×4
+21	×8	+10
-5	+8	+8
+14	+2	+10
-3	+29	+45
???	???	???

Answers →

w/b: Monday 11th March 2019



Enterprising (adjective)
having or showing initiative and resourcefulness.
The enterprising teenager earned two million dollars before she reached the age of sixteen.



Struggling with self-esteem or bullying?

Kooth is a free, confidential online counselling service for young people aged 11-26 in Essex

Chat to qualified counsellors who are waiting to support you with whatever you may be experiencing



Mark Hall Academy

PREPARED

POTENTIAL AND PERSEVERANCE
Work hard in order to reach your potential.
ASPIRE, ENDEAVOUR, ACHIEVE.

RESPECT

Treat everyone with RESPECT. **STAND UP TO BULLYING**
RESPECT THE POSSESSIONS OF OTHERS.
USE Appropriate language. **FOLLOW INSTRUCTIONS FIRST TIME**

EQUIPMENT Is an essential TOOL for learning and life. **REMEMBER TO BRING IT TO EVERY LESSON.**

PLANNERS THESE NEED TO BE UP TO DATE WITH SIGNATURES, HOMEWORK, NOTES, TARGETS AND POINTS.

ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY Ensure you have EXCELLENT attendance and punctuality every lesson and every day.

READING BOOKS Bring in a reading book EVERY DAY. Books should be placed on desks at the beginning of each lesson.

ENGAGEMENT Ensure you are focused during Home Group and lessons, complete all classwork and **HOMEWORK TO THE BEST OF YOUR ABILITY.**

DRESS AND UNIFORM
This should be consistent and of a high standard adhering to the **ACADEMY UNIFORM CODE.**

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ATTENDANCE = ATTAINMENT

Excellent attendance is important for a number of reasons. It has been proven that those pupils with excellent attendance are more likely to achieve more GCSE's at a higher grade, be less likely to be involved with anti-social behaviour and are generally more settled within school.

Government Research has shown that where attendance levels fall below 95% a students' academic performance and achievement is badly affected. It is therefore our aim for all our students to have at least 96% attendance or above.

Mark Hall Academy understands that for some students being in school every single day can be a challenge and we have various reward schemes and incentives to encourage and motivate pupils to achieve excellent attendance. The attendance figures for our Academy have been rising over the last few years and this is a trend we are keen to continue!

The school monitors every child's attendance daily, and the Education Welfare Service monitor our attendance weekly. If your child's attendance is below an acceptable level he/she will be referred to the Education Welfare Service who will contact you.

We are able to provide support or advice to any parent with regard to attendance. Feel free to contact the Attendance Officer at the Academy if you have any questions or concerns regarding your child's attendance.

We look forward to Mark Hall Academy achieving great success with their attendance each and every year and with your child's help we can continue to do so.

PUNCTUALITY = ATTAINMENT

We value the importance of good punctuality as it also has a valuable impact on the education of children. There are some interesting facts published about punctuality which highlight how lateness can affect your child's learning.

Arriving 5 minutes late every day adds up to **3 days learning** lost in a school **year**

Arriving 15 minutes late every day is equal to **2 weeks learning** lost in a school **year**

Arriving 30 minutes late every day is equal to **19 days learning** lost in a school **year**

FINALLYA REMINDER TO PARENTS/CARERS AND STUDENTS

Just a gentle reminder that all students must be on the school site by **08:40am** ready to make their way to their Home Group rooms for registration beginning at **08:45am**.

The London Road entrance is promptly locked at **08:40am**, therefore students arriving after this time will need to report to the Attendance Officer via the main Academy entrance. Students arriving by bike must allow time to put their bike away in the bike shed before the first bell sounds at **08:40am**. Persistent lateness of students using a bike may result in the Academy requesting an alternative method of travel be made. C3 detentions will be given to any student late in the mornings unless we have received a note or a phone call.

MARK HALL ACADEMY REALLY VALUE YOUR SUPPORT, SO THANK YOU!

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Mark Hall Academy Football Club

All students are welcome to join our Mark Hall Academy Football Club which runs every Wednesday after School. Girls and boys from year groups 5 to 10 are welcome to come and join in



MHA PRESENTS



Digital Leaders

Join now!

WHEN
Thursday after school:
3:10-4:10

WHERE
WEST 1

WHAT
Programming





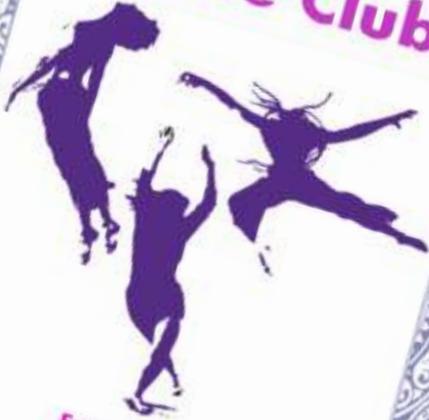
Dear Students

There will be a display of lost property in Learning Hub every day from 11.10am until 11.30am

You will be able to access this from the West Playground and there will be a sign on the door

As Mark Hall does not have room to keep Lost Property, it will only be held for 1 week before being disposed of.

Dance Club!



Every Friday
West Hall
3.15-5 pm
with Mrs. Butler