



MARK HALL ACADEMY



WEEKLY BULLETIN

SPRING TERM - FRIDAY 26 APRIL 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 our new building

Dates for Your Diary

Monday 13 May	Start of Exams	
Wednesday 15 May	Parent Council Meeting	5.30 pm
Tuesday 25 June	Year 11 Prom	Newlands Hall in Roxwell
Thursday 4 July	Student Production : Little Shop of Horrors	

Yesterday we waved Bon Voyage to a few of our students as they were whisked off to Boulogne. The trip went extremely smoothly thanks to the excellent planning of Ms Akin and Ms Marzin.

The Jack Petchey Speak out challenge also took place this week and we were proud to be represented by Mark Hall Academy students.

We also had our biggest turn out to date at our PTA meeting. PTA meetings occur regularly and are advertised in this Bulletin. The PTA are busy planning and organising a number of exciting fundraising events including a race night and Autumn Fair. We hope to achieve our fundraising total and be able to provide our students with a new minibus! All new PTA members are welcome, please email PTA@mha.atrust.org.uk.

We are also busy preparing for our Annual Production Little Shop of Horrors and this week staff started a 'sunflower challenge; in a bid to 'grow the tallest sunflower'. Thank you to Ms Mulholland and the team.

We also have a number of new intervention programmes starting in the Learning Hub next week for some of our students supported by our new Behaviour Mentors. This is looking to be an exciting programme.

All students in Year 7, 8 and 9 will be bringing home their Progress Reviews today.

Have a great weekend.

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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/2019/03/Mobile-Phones-Exam-Letter-2.pdf>

<http://www.mha.atrust.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2019/03/Fire-Alarms.pdf>

Suggestion Box

Following feedback from our staff and student well-being survey you wanted more of an opportunity to share and discuss any highlights or questions you had.

In response to this, I have arranged for a 'suggestions box' to be fitted to the wall in reception.

Please feel free to post your comments and/or questions and I shall endeavour to answer these as they are received.



Exam Stress Guidance

As you are aware exams start after the Easter Break. Please encourage your child(ren) to look at this Student Guide to coping with Exam pressure.

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/781889/Student_guide.pdf




Kidz OK Ltd

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Kidz OK is looking for an apprentice to join our vibrant and dynamic team.

We are looking for an apprentice with a big heart who will support and celebrate the uniqueness of each of our children; work well as part of a team and also under their own initiative, is a positive communicator, can inspire thought, and most importantly help to ensure that our pre-school is a fun and safe place for the children to grow and develop.

Applicants should have a strong desire to work in early years, to learn about child development and put this into practice in a working environment.

The practitioner will provide inclusive play and learning opportunities for all children attending the pre-school and to maintain a safe, stimulating and enjoyable environment.

The post hours per week are 8:30 to 3:30pm Monday to Friday term time only.
Wages will be between £3.70 & £4.20 per hour
Please apply with your CV to Kidz.ok@hotmail.co.uk



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 - October Sky

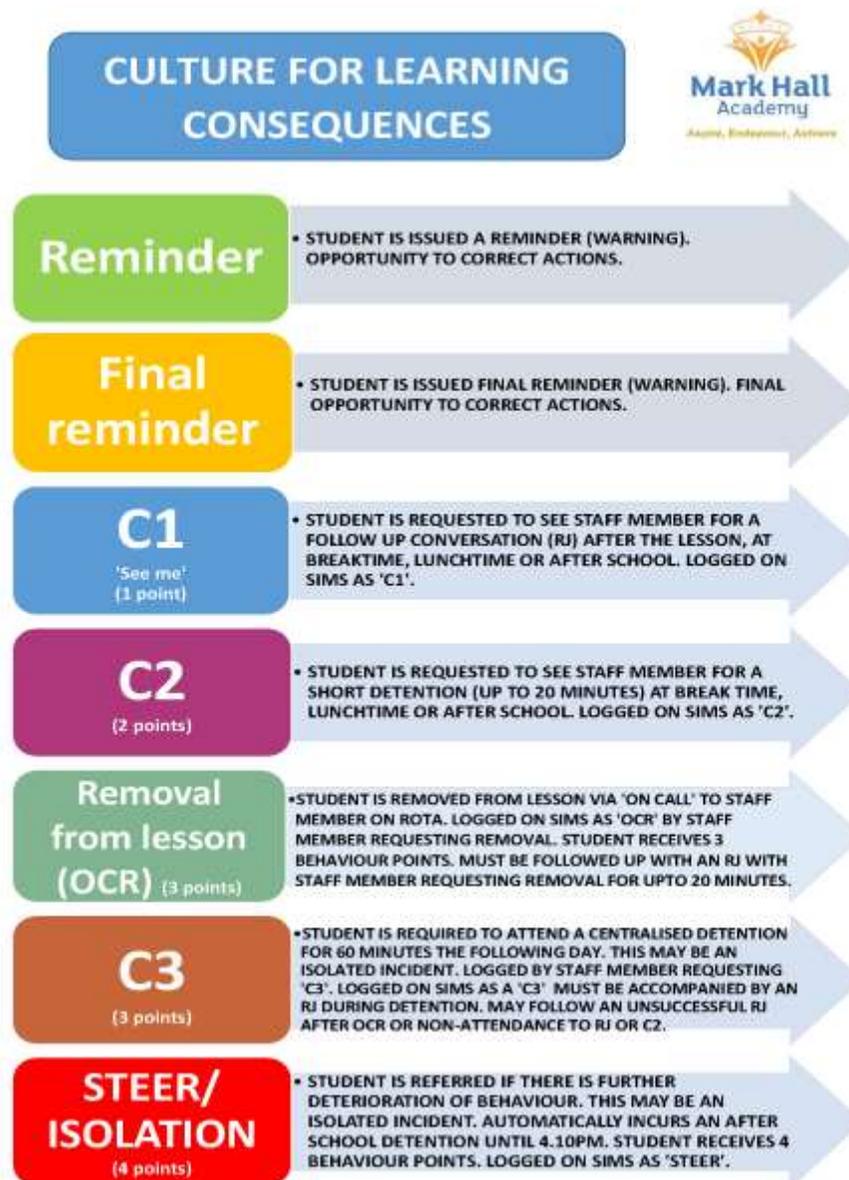
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zxJQgYPXjN4>

Student Behaviour and Consequences (detentions)

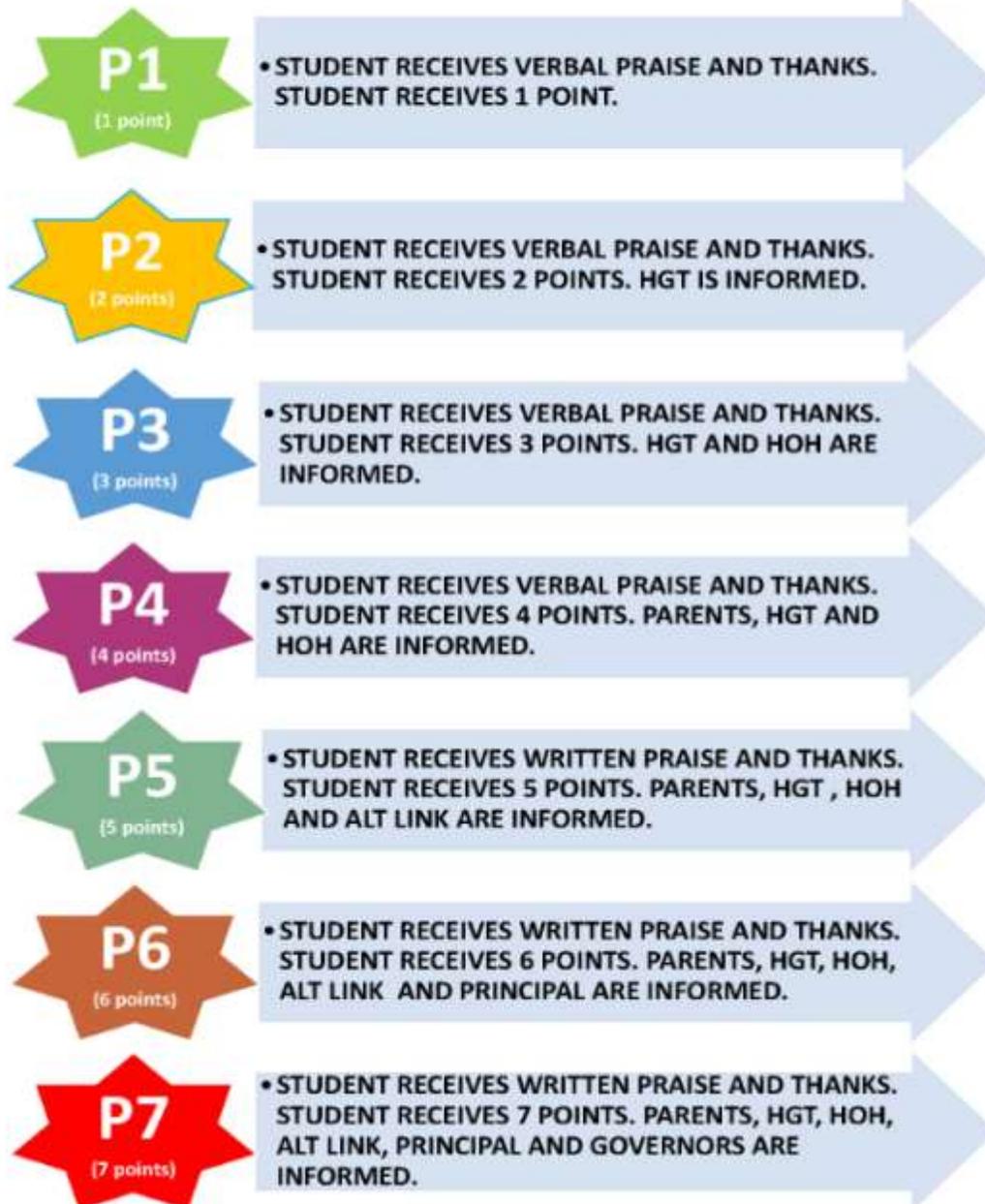
Dear Parents and Carers,

In order to support learning dialogue and conversations between students and staff we have been looking at ways in which we can further build relationships in the Academy. We have therefore tweaked the consequence system allowing opportunities for students to correct their actions in class before being sent to a more senior member of staff.

Thank you for your continued support, Ms Butler, Vice Principal



CULTURE FOR LEARNING RAISE THE PRAISE





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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Academy Menu For week beginning 29 April 2019

GLOBAL ADVENTURE WEEK 2					
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
GLOBAL ADVENTURE	BRITISH Cheese, Tomato and Potato Bake 93153184 Carrots 93065561 and Peas 93065563	CHINESE Lemon and Ginger Chicken 93162901 Wholegrain Rice * 93109633 Wok Tossed Oriental Vegetables 93110848	MEDITERRANEAN Spanish Beef Hash 93162892 Garlic and Herb Bread* (no oil) 93154277 Lemon and Garlic Broccoli 93162905	JAPANESE Teriyaki Chicken thigh 93128109 Japanese Noodles 93163113 Pickled Cucumber Salad 93128253	BRITISH Home-made Buttered Fish Fillet 93105116 Chips (oil) 93124814 Baked Beans 93162619 OR Peas 93065563
HIGH STREET FAVES	DEEP SOUTH DINER Chipotle BBQ Pork 93108520 Quorn Sausage Pattie & Cheese Bun 93133732 Paprika Potato Wedges (no oil) 93157066 Red Slaw 93130856	WINGS & THINGS Special Marinated Roast Chicken Drumsticks with BBQ or Sticky Tabasco 93130941 Smoky Cauliflower Chews 93156770 Garlic and Herb Bread* (no oil) 93154277	DEEP SOUTH DINER Piri Piri Pulled Pork Burger 93162908 Louisiana Bean Pot 93150955 Fajita Potato Wedges (no oil) 93163193	WINGS & THINGS Marinated Chicken Wrap 93131218 Mac 'N' Cheese 93127228 Cajun Potato Wedges (no oil) 93157065	DEEP SOUTH DINER Creamy Fish Pasta Bake *** 93162896 (oily fish) Corn, Black Eye Bean and Feta Sol 93162914 Mississippi Rice * 93103511
SPEEDY ITALIAN	Veggie Hot One Pizza (v) 93128498 Arrabiata Pasta (v) 93147953 Margherita Pizza (v) 93041388	Cajun Chicken Stroker Pizza 93128496 Herby Tomato Pasta (v) 93147954 Margherita Pizza (v) 93041388	Veggie Supreme Pizza (v) 93135569 BBQ Chicken Pasta* 93147137 Margherita Pizza (v) 93041388	Bacon Pizza 93041401 Beef Bolognese 93102799 Margherita Pizza (v) 93041388	Sicilian Cheese & Tomato Pizza 93137894 Italian Chicken Pasta 93147955 Margherita Pizza (v) 93041388
* Wholegrain * Oily Fish ***					


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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 Ensures 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.**

w/b: Monday 29 April 2019



sonorous (adjective)
rich and full in sound

The church bells were sonorous.



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



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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.

