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## Message from Mrs Stamford

Last night, we were delighted to welcome students and families to our Year 11 Progress Evening, an important event in the school calendar that helps strengthen the partnership between home and school.

The evening was a great success, with excellent attendance from both students and parents. It provided a valuable opportunity for families to meet with subject teachers, discuss current progress, and identify strategies to support students in their final year of GCSE study.

We are so impressed by the mature and focused attitude of our Year 11 students, who engaged thoughtfully in discussions and are really embracing their independent learning, making fantastic use of lunch time opportunities and P6 sessions to ensure

they fill their gaps and solidify their knowledge.

Next week we have our Year 7 settling in evening. This is an opportunity for parents/carers to meet with tutors to discuss their child's experience at Headlands School over the last 6 weeks. If parents/carers are not available but students would still like to attend, they are more than welcome and can be supported by a senior member of staff.

This week we have also taken part in World Mental Health Day. World Mental Health Day takes place every year on 10 October. It's a reminder of the importance of good mental health and the need to prioritise and invest in good mental health. This year's theme is 'access to services - mental health in catastrophes and emergencies'. The theme highlights

the importance of people being able to protect their mental health in times of global instability. To raise awareness at Headlands School we invited students to wear something yellow. Thank you to all of our students and staff who participated in raising awareness for such an important cause.

Just a reminder that we break up for half term on Thursday 23 October at 2:45pm. Mainstream and Cove students return to School on Monday 3 November. ARC students will have a review day on this date.

Mrs Stamford  
Head of School

## Mrs Bone's Newsflash

This week Miss Dearing has talked to students in Assembly about their hidden superpower - the "power" of reading! Here at Headlands School we believe reading is the "Master Skill" in their learning journey and actively promote it in all lessons, not just English or Forensic Reading.

Miss Dearing also talked through with students the role of Sparx Reader and how developing this independent habit will certainly help to improve their vocabulary and access to wider knowledge and understanding. Should you have any

questions about accessing any of the Sparx platforms please continue to direct questions to Mr Fairlamb via the Main Reception.

Assembly was also an opportunity to promote our first ever Reading Fair which is taking place from 14 - 20 October in the Learning Resource Centre. Please see more information on this on the next page.

Finally, may I take this opportunity to thank all our parents and carers for your ongoing support. Today is Mental Health Day and it is a reminder of the

importance of good mental health and the need to prioritise and invest in good mental health. Should you have any worries or concerns regarding your child's mental health please continue to reach out to members of the Headlands team.

Have a good weekend,  
Mrs Bone  
Executive Headteacher

*Say Yes To The Prom Dress*

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needed!**

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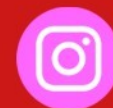
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## Headlands Book Fair!

We're delighted to share that Headlands School will be hosting a Book Fair from Tuesday 14 to Monday 20 October!

During the week, students will have the opportunity to visit the Book Fair, browse a wide range of exciting titles and KS4 revision guides, and complete a wish list of books they'd love to own. They will then bring this list home so parents and carers can choose and purchase books for them.

How to purchase:

- All payments will be made easily and securely via a QR code included on the wish list.
- Once payment is complete, simply write the reference number on the wish list form and return it to school.
- Students can hand forms back to their English teacher or directly to the LRC.



We'd also love to welcome parents and carers into school — you're invited to attend the Book Fair in person between 3:00pm and 5:00pm on 16 October. This is a fantastic opportunity to inspire a love of reading and support your child in choosing books that excite and motivate them. We can't wait to see you there!

## Congratulations Oli!

Oli, a previous Headlands School student, and 5 time National Champion has emerged victorious winning the boxing European Gold in the U75kg final beating opponent Elnur Abdulaevi from Georgia

- Well done Oli!



HETA - Engineering Apprenticeship Applications now open - For Year 11/13 students

To apply for a HETA apprenticeship, you need to meet the following entry criteria:

GCSE Grade 5 or above in English

GCSE Grade 5 or above in Maths

GCSE Grade 5 or above in any Science

As part of your application, you will need to input your predicted GCSE grades. If you have already obtained your GCSE results, simply input your actual results as part of the application. After submitting an online application form, you will complete an engineering assessment to evaluate your core Maths and English skills as well as engineering reasoning and problem solving. You will receive a link from their recruitment team no more than 2 working days after submitting your online application form. <https://heta.picsweb.co.uk/Guest/SignUp/plicant/99567743aa5448f59e0d004b85b291cf>

# HEADLANDS REWARDS



## LLOYD DOWSON ACHIEVEMENT AWARD



Austin Robinson  
Una Hornsby

**YEAR 7**

Logan Craggs  
Shannon-Ellen Hood

**YEAR 8**

Toni-May Dawson-  
Whatmore  
Finlay Wilson

**YEAR 9**

Layton Cowie  
Ash Williams

**YEAR 10**

Kobena  
Akomaning

**SLT TOKEN**

Layla Hambleton  
Quaid Ray

**YEAR 11**