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Value for this half term: Wisdom

Theme for this week (29 January - 2 February 2024):

Wisdom of a King

Life Skills theme for the week: We are compassionate

and caring

Life in All its Fullness:

Over the next week, students in all year groups will have an opportunity to vote in the <u>Youth Parliament</u> elections, voting for a new Member of the Youth Parliament, contributing to the 'Make Your Mark' ballot,

Our Vision

The Harleston Sancroft Academy is a community that flourishes, through God's love, to live

'Life in All its Fullness'.

(JOHN 10:10 AND JOHN 13:34).

We are a foundation of **Hope**; a family of **Love**; a school of nurture guided by **Faith**; promoting a unique, personalised journey towards excellence.

plus taking part in the Youth Advisory Board consultation. Students will hear about this in assemblies / Collective Worship and form time.

Here's some additional information about the Youth Parliament consultation:

What is 'Make Your Mark'?

'Make Your Mark' is the largest consultation of 11 - 18 year olds in Europe. It gives young people the chance to have their say on what matters to them. Taking part in the 'Make Your Mark' ballot is a great way to introduce young people to democracy, voting and seeing the impact of raising their voices. This is a great opportunity for students to learn about how politics works and to follow the process on how issues are raised and addressed.



Since 2000, the UK Youth Parliament has provided a voice for young people and allowed them to be involved in decision making. 'Make Your Mark' gives young people aged 11-18 the chance to decide what campaigns Members of Youth Parliament will focus on and campaign for throughout their 2-year term.

In 2022 over 430,000 students took part in 'Make your Mark', the UK Youth Parliament's annual consultation of 11-18 year olds. The top three issues were:

- *Health and wellbeing
- *Jobs, money, homes and opportunities
- *Education and learning.

From the results of the National Campaign, 'Food for Learning' was developed which focused on food poverty across the UK.



Our local YAB, the South Norfolk Youth Advisory Board (SNYAB) is very active locally and works hard to engage young people in a variety of ways, in line with their interests and priorities.

Key dates for the next few weeks:

29 Jan: KS4 Finance careers event

5 February: Harleston Players - Youth Theatre meeting for those aged 10-15 years

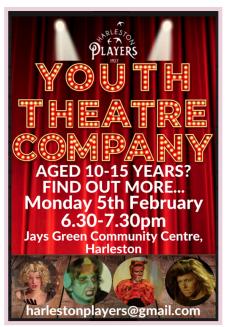
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12 Feb: Y9 Drama workshop

15 Feb: Y9 Parents'/Carers' Evening 16 Feb: Y11 Geography Field Trip 19 Feb: Half-term holiday begins

26 Feb: Return to school after the half-term holiday

27 Feb: Year 11 (internal) exams commence



School website and X/Twitter: The <u>school website</u> is a useful source of information. Please also visit the Harleston Sancroft Academy <u>X/Twitter feed</u> for photos and updates.

On X and elsewhere, you might have seen the following post:

The Church of England @churchofengland - Did you know our Daily Prayer audio services were downloaded over 3.5 million times in the past year? The latest version of our free app now has services for 2024. Download or update free here, or at http://cofe.io/DailyPrayerApp.

Prayer for Kindness and Compassion in Action

Dear Lord, I come before you with a fervent plea, seeking strength to translate my deep well of compassion into tangible actions. Grant me the courage to not only empathise with those in need, but to also inspire me to offer unwavering support and care. Guide me to be a beacon of light in the lives of those shrouded in darkness, allowing my deeds to mirror your boundless love and compassion. With each step I take, may I find the means to make a meaningful difference in the lives of others. Amen.