



**THE
HASTINGS
ACADEMY**

Dear Parents,

We are delighted to bring you the news of the successful end of this term at THA. It has been a period of growth, learning, and achievement for our students, and we couldn't be prouder of their hard work and dedication.

Please remember that the next term will commence on Tuesday, October 31st, following an INSET day on Monday, October 30th. The school day will start at the usual time of 8.40 am.

We look forward to welcoming our students back and embarking on another term filled with opportunities for growth, discovery, and success.

Wishing you a restful and enjoyable break, and we'll see you in the new term!

Warm regards,

Mr S. Addison
Principal



Dates

for the

Diary



Tuesday 31st Oct
First Day Back

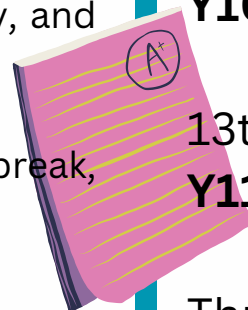
Wednesday 1st Nov
KS3 Coffee Morning

Thursday 2nd Nov
KS4 Coffee Morning



6th Nov-10th Nov
Y10 Assessments

13th Nov-24th Nov
Y11 Mock Exams

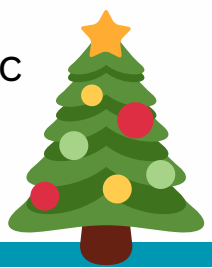


Thursday 23rd Nov
Y7 Parents Evening


Wednesday 29th Nov
Parent Forum Meeting


Thursday 30th Nov
Y11 Humanities Fair

Saturday 2nd Dec
Christmas Fete



Y11 Mock Timetable

Year 11 Mocks Monday 13th - Friday 17th November 2023									
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Day	Date	Tutor 08:40 - 09:10	P1 09:10 - 10:10	P2 10:10 - 11:10	Break 1 11:10 - 11:30	P3 11:30 - 12:30	P4 12:30 - 13:30	Break 2 13:30 - 14:10	P5 14:10 - 15:10
M o n	13.11.23		English Lit: 1hr 45m			Science 1hr 10m > 1hr 45m			
T u e	14.11.23		Business 1hr30m			History 2hrs			
W e d	15.11.23		Science 1hr 10m > 1hr 45m						
T h u	16.11.23		Maths 1hr 30m			Geography 1hr 30m			
F r i	17.11.23		English Lit: 2hrs 15m						

Year 11 Mocks Monday 20th - Friday 24th November 2023									
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M o n	20.11.23		English Lang: 1hr 45m						
T u e	21.11.23		MFL (Fr & Sp) 1hr 45m			Music 1hr 30m			
W e d	22.11.23		Science 1hr 10m > 1hr 45m			DT 2hrs			
T h u	23.11.23		Maths 1hr 30m			Dance 1hr 30m			
						Drama 1hr 45m			
F r i	24.11.23		English Lang: 1hr 45m						



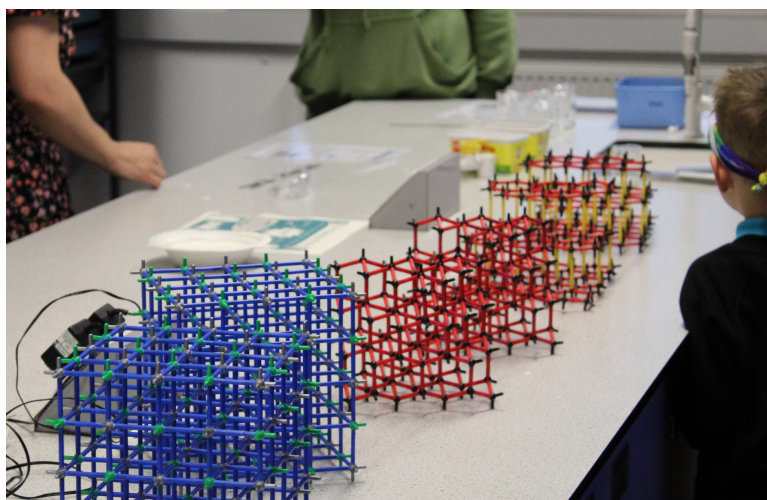
CLUBS



		Monday	Wednesday	Thursday
Before School Clubs	Weeks 1 & 2	Breakfast Club <i>Mr P Avery & Mr O Mellish (Canteen)</i>	Breakfast Club <i>Mr P Avery & Mr O Mellish (Canteen)</i>	Breakfast Club <i>Mr P Avery & Mr O Mellish (Canteen)</i>
Lunchtime Clubs	Weeks 1 & 2	Yr11 Library Access <i>Mrs M Crane (Library)</i> English Homework Club <i>Miss R Standen (W16)</i>	Yr8 Library Access <i>Mrs M Crane (Library)</i> LGBTQI+ Club <i>Ms L Chamberlain (E16)</i>	Yr10 Library Access <i>Mrs M Crane (Library)</i> KS3 Science Homework Club <i>Ms D Tester (FE16)</i> The Environment Club <i>Miss Picton, Mr Wraight, Miss Beagley</i>
Afterschool Clubs	Week 1	KS3 Homework Club <i>Mrs M Crane (Library)</i> Warhammer & Hobby Club <i>Mr J Kern (F17)</i> Yr7 Football/ Sports Club <i>Mr M Collett (Sports Centre)</i> Badminton Club <i>Mrs Crease (Sports Centre)</i> KS3 Dance Club <i>Miss C Dengate & Miss Gibbons (Dance Studio)</i>	KS4 Homework Club <i>Mrs M Crane (Library)</i> Dungeons & Dragons Club <i>Mr J Storey, Mr J Kern, Mr A Evans & Mr G Bloggs (Various)</i> Yr9 & 10 Boys Sports Club <i>Mr M Collett (Sports Centre)</i> Netball/Football/Sports Club <i>Miss M Gibbons & Miss Dengate (Sports Centre)</i> "Globetrotters KS3 Language Club" <i>Mr S Regereau (S6a)</i> Y10&11 Open Music Rehearsals <i>Miss East</i>	Book Club <i>Mrs M Crane (Library)</i> Classics Club <i>Mr S Walsh & Mr G Bloggs (W8)</i> KS4 Maths Club <i>Mr J Holder (E12)</i> Duke of Edinburgh <i>Mr P Senior & Mrs E McCallum (TBC)</i> Art Club <i>Mrs L Collins (S10)</i> Y10&11 Open Music Rehearsals <i>Miss East</i> Musical Theatre Club <i>Miss East and Miss McDonald (Main Hall)</i> Y8 Boys Football/Sports Club <i>Mr Collett (Sports centre)</i>
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Afterschool GCSE Intervention	Week 1	Yr11 Geography (9th GCSE) <i>Ms I Richardson (F9)</i> Yr11 English Intervention <i>Mrs H Rome & Miss K Mulcair (Various)</i>	Yr11 GCSE Geography GCSE <i>Ms I Richardson (F9)</i> Yr11 Maths Intervention <i>Mrs S King, Mr D Blackwell, Mr A Tyson & Mr D Benson (Various)</i>	Yr11 Geography (9th GCSE) <i>Ms I Richardson (F9)</i> Yr11 Science Intervention <i>Mrs T Royce-Smith, Mr J Kern & Mr J Storey (Various)</i>
	Week 2	Yr11 Geography (9th GCSE) <i>Ms I Richardson (F9)</i> Yr11 History Intervention <i>Mr A Evans (F14)</i> Yr11 Music Intervention <i>Mrs K East (S1&12)</i> Yr11 Business & iMedia Intervention <i>Mr L Sadler & G Wall (E16)</i>	Yr11 Geography (9th GCSE) <i>Ms I Richardson (F9)</i> Yr11 French Intervention <i>Mrs C Pepper (S7)</i> Yr11 Art & Photography Intervention <i>Mr E Money & Mrs H Rose (S2)</i> Yr11 DT & Food Intervention <i>Mr R Smout (W2)</i>	Yr11 Geography (9th GCSE) <i>Ms I Richardson (F9)</i> Yr11 Dance Intervention <i>Miss C Dengate (Dance Studio)</i> Yr11 Spanish Intervention <i>Mrs S Travaglia-Sage (S11)</i> Yr11 Drama Intervention <i>Ms G MacDonald (HA)</i>

Open Evening





Thursday the 5th October saw our yearly Open Evening. We welcomed hundreds of local children to look around our school and facilities with each department having something special to showcase.

Each guest was shown around the school by their very own personal Y7 guide, something that we are doing for the first time this year, and which worked wonderfully, with parents giving highly positive feedback about our wonderful Y7s. It is especially helpful for prospective students to meet new Y7 students who can give them a great insight into what the step up from primary school is like.

Each department had something special to showcase to our guests. Some departments let the visitors explore their creative sides; in Art they were invited to make their own lino prints, in DT they were able to make their own letter blocks and in Food Tech guests were treated to biscuit decorating.

People love setting things on fire, and a few departments took advantage of this fact to spark excitement about their subjects- in science visitors could set teachers on fire, in forest school they could make toasted smores, and in the other science room there was a Reubens tube- basically a line of fire which changes shape according to sound waves. Over in the biology department guests were both repulsed and fascinated by a real blow-up lung and a live dissection, while there were also beguiling tiny things visible under the microscopes. Overall the evening was a great success and all of the children who stayed to help out were especially fantastic. In each and every department they helped to highlight the best aspects of our school and showed themselves in their best light. Well done to all of the volunteers.

LIBRARY

FILM NIGHT

FRIDAY 6TH OCT 3.10-5.10PM



The library held its termly film night the other week. After a few weeks of voting, where for a while Jurassic Park was threatening victory, the 80s hit musical Annie stood as the most popular film choice. After school the children came to the library to settle down and enjoy popcorn, soft drinks and chocolate treats courtesy of Miss Crane.

Special thanks to Melissa Moyses who was an excellent help to Miss Crane on the night.



TWO SENTENCE SCARY STORY WRITING CONTEST

EXAMPLE= THERE WAS
A PICTURE ON MY
PHONE
OF ME SLEEPING. I LIVE
ALONE.

STORIES MUST BE
* ORIGINAL
* 2 SENTENCES LONG
* SCHOOL APPROPRIATE

DEADLINE 31ST OCT 2023

Hand entries to Ms Crane in the Library.

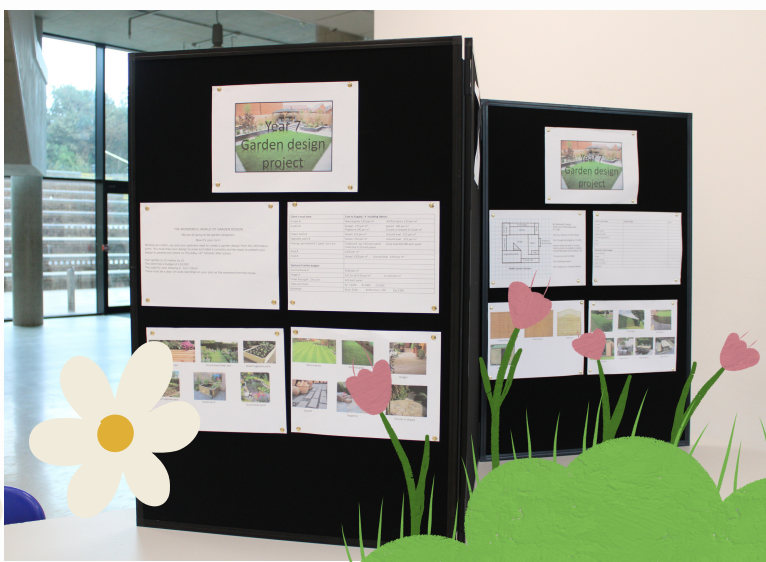
**PRIZE=Large tub Chocolate and a
Book of your choice**





Maths Fair

Congratulations to the year 7's who participated in small groups as garden designers. This required their mathematical knowledge of money , units of measure , scale drawing and problem solving . They showed great team work during the lessons and those that presented their designs at the maths fair did so with great enthusiasm whilst being questioned by parents, carers and teachers.





art exhibition

This week the art department filled our atrium with a delightful showcase of artwork from all year groups.

There was a wide range of art on display, some really fantastic ceramic pieces fresh from our school kiln, amongst other sculptural work blending a range of mediums- everything from collaged photographs, glazed ceramic, molded plastic to papier mache. There were some really skillful paintings on display including some fabulous portraits, alongside some great photography and textiles demonstrating techniques such as photographic transfer and needle felting.

Parents were invited to wander around the exhibition this Thursday, in-between Academic Tutoring Appointments, and many were impressed by the displays.

Congratulations to all of the budding artists whose work was on display!



Rewards Assemblies



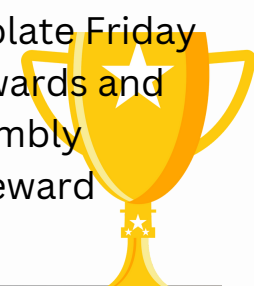
This term we launched our new rewards and recognitions assemblies, students who have earned above a certain threshold are rewarded with a special certificate by their Head of Year. There are certificates for gaining points, but also each term there will be a 'tutee of the term' in each form- awarded by each tutor to the child in their class who has stood out the most. There is also a super-extra special certificate for the student of the term awarded by each Head of House- this is the student who has been most exemplary in the eyes of the Head of Year. In Y7 student Maria Dove managed to gain all of the possible points certificates, while also being selected by Miss Wright for the student of the term award. To top it all off she then went on to gain a Hot Chocolate Friday nomination- all in one day! Well done Maria- amazing!



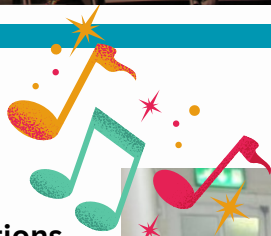
Above: Hot Chocolate Friday

Below Left: Y7 rewards and recognitions assembly

Below Right: Y8 reward winners



Oliver!



We wish to extend our warmest congratulations to 4 of our talented students who have just finished a run of 'Oliver!' at the White Rock Theatre with the Hastleons (a local amateur dramatic society). 'Food, Glorious Food' - followed by Applause, Glorious Applause for well-deserved standing ovations at each performance. Daniel, Robyn, Myles and Toby had 'to pick a pocket or two' but at the end of the day they'd 'do anything' for Fagin as they delivered their well-rehearsed lines on stage. All we can say is that we are very much hoping that they will 'be back soon' on stage with more stunning performances. We are sure that we don't need to worry about 'who will buy' tickets to come and support them! 'Consider yourself' in for many more stunning performances from these budding performers!
(No apologies for the outrageous song-dropping)
Mrs C.Pepper



Open Evening Canteen Spread

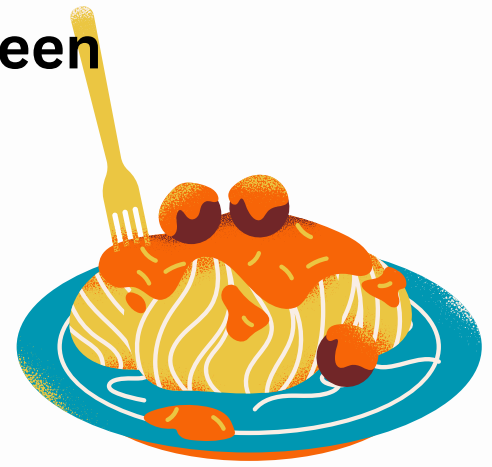
While the departments were busy charming our guests with fire and activities, the ladies in the canteen knew the real way to impress a prospective student: through their stomachs! There was an impressive spread, classics such as chicken curry, bangers and mash and sausage rolls were served alongside sweet treats and fruit. If the flames in the chemistry department didn't blow our visitors away, the delicious food definitely would have!



Flavours from the canteen

Pizza:

Margherita
Meat
Vegetarian

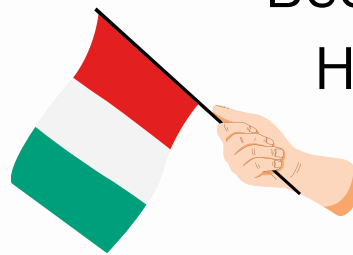


Pasta:

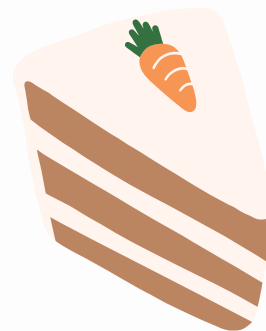
Beef Bolognaise
Herby Tomato
Carbonara

Sides:

Dough balls
Garlic and Herb Wedges
Side Salad



Have a pasta with
sauce and add a
drink or cake for only
£3!



Sweet Treats

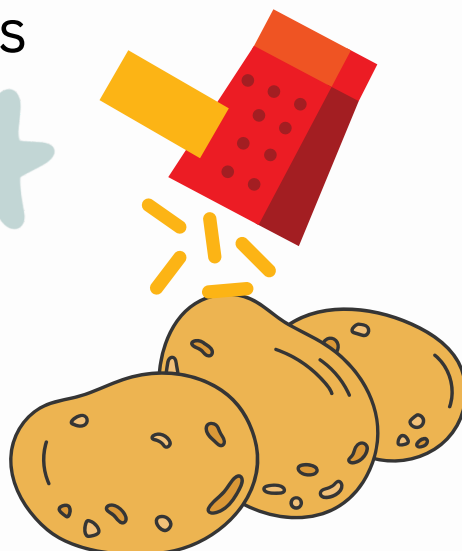
Oat Cookie
Chocolate Brownie
Fruit Flapjack
Iced Bun
Jam Doughnut
Rice Crispy Cake
Cornflake Cake
Lemon Drizzle Cake
Shortbread

Jackets of all trades:

Toppings:

Baked Beans
Cheese
Bolognaise
Tuna Mayo

Side:
Salad



Deals from the canteen

Morning Break

BACON BAGUETTE WHOLE	£2.32.
HALF BACON BAGUETTE	£1.30.
VEGGIE SAUSAGE BAP	£1.30.
HOT FILLED BAGEL (MEAT OR VEGGIE)	£1.93
TOASTED BAGEL WITH SPREAD	£1.20
PIZZA	£1.40
VEGGIE SAUSAGE ROLL	£1.66
CHEESE ON TOAST PER SLICE	£0.92
SAVOURY TURN OVER/SAUSAGE ROLL	£1.66
BACON AND EGG BREAKFAST MUFFIN	£1.93
VEGGIE SAUSAGE , CHEESE AND EGG MUFFIN	£1.93
TOAST WITH SPREAD PER SLICE	£0.25
CEREAL AND MILK	£0.93
MIXED FRUIT POT	£0.93
OVERNIGHT OATS	£1.30
MEAL DEAL	£3.00

Lunch Menu

Main Meal & Dessert OR DRINK	£3.00
Main Meal	£2.56
Main Dessert	£1.14
Meat Pizza	£1.56
Cheese OR Veggie Pizza	£1.40
Plain Jacket Potato	£1.29
Jacket with One Topping	£1.76
Jacket with Two toppings	£2.08
Plain Pasta	£1.56
Pasta & Sauce & Cheese	£2.69
Pasta & Cheese	£2.46
Portion of Cheese	£0.54
Meal Deal	£3.00
HotWrap	£2.06
Burger(veg, beef, chicken)	£2.06
½ Panini	£1.30
Full panini	£2.60
Veggie sausage roll	£1.66
Savoury side (chips, wedges)	£1.18

Drinks

Radnor Fizz	£1.25
Radnor Carton	£0.70
Water SportWater 500ml	£1.06£0.77
Juice Cartons	£0.70
Viva Milkshake	£0.70

Cold Snacks

Solo Sandwich	£ 1.67
Classic Sandwich	£ 2.00
½ Baguette	£1.30
Wraps	£2.07
Baguette	£ 2.07
Large salad with protein	£2.08
Crudities & Houmous	£1.13
Salad Pot Small	£.99
Cold Pasta Pot	£2.69
Mixed Fruit Pot	£0.93
Grape Pot	£0.93
Pineapple Pot	£0.93
Piece of Fruit	£0.63
MEAL DEAL	£3.00
Oreo	£1.00
Mini Biscuit Pack	£0.60
Homebakes	£1.06
Homebakes mini	£0.65

Meal deals

Main with a drink or homemade cake for £3

What Parents & Carers Need to Know about

YOUTUBE

YouTube is a video-sharing social media platform that allows billions of people around the world to watch, share and upload their own videos with a vast range of content – including sport, entertainment, education and lots more. It's a superb space for people to consume content that they're interested in. As a result, this astronomically popular platform has had a huge social impact: influencing online culture on a global scale and creating new celebrities.

INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT

YouTube is free and can be accessed via numerous devices, even without creating a YouTube account. Some content is flagged as 'age-restricted' (requiring the user to be logged into an account with a verified age of 18), but children can still view some mildly inappropriate material. This can include profanity and violence, which some young users may find upsetting.

CONNECT WITH STRANGERS

YouTube is a social media platform which allows people to interact with other (usually unknown) users. Account holders can leave comments on any video they have access to, as well as messaging other users directly. Connecting with strangers online, of course, can potentially lead to children being exposed to adult language, to cyberbullying and even to encountering online predators.

SUGGESTED CONTENT

YouTube recommends videos related to what the user has previously watched on their account, aiming to provide content that will interest them. This is intended to be helpful but can also lead to binge-watching and the risk of screen addiction, especially if 'auto-play' is activated. Users without an account are shown popular videos from the last 24 hours, which might not always be suitable for children.

HIGH VISIBILITY

Content creators can also be put at risk – especially young ones who try to make their online presence as visible as possible. Creating and uploading content exposes children to potential harassment and toxicity from the comments section, along with the possibility of direct messaging from strangers. Videos posted publicly can be watched by anyone in the world.

TRENDS AND CHALLENGES

YouTube is teeming with trends, challenges and memes that are fun to watch and join in with. Children often find these immensely entertaining and might want to try them out. Most challenges tend to be safe, but many others may harm children through either watching or copying. The painful 'salt and ice challenge', which can cause injuries very quickly, is just one of many such examples.

SNEAKY SCAMMERS

Popular YouTube channels regularly have scammers posing as a well-known influencer in the comments section, attempting to lure users into clicking on their phishing links. Scammers impersonate YouTubers by adopting their names and profile images, and sometimes offer cash gifts or 'get rich quick' schemes. Children may not realise that these users are not who they claim to be.

Advice for Parents & Carers

APPLY RESTRICTED MODE

Restricted Mode is an optional setting that prevents YouTube from showing inappropriate content (such as drug and alcohol abuse, graphic violence and sexual situations) to underage viewers. To prevent your child from chancing across age-inappropriate content on the platform, we would recommend enabling Restricted Mode on each device that your child uses to access YouTube.



TRY GOOGLE FAMILY

Creating a Google Family account allows you to monitor what your child is watching, uploading and sharing with other users. It will also display their recently watched videos, searches and recommended videos. In general, a Google Family account gives you an oversight of how your child is using sites like YouTube and helps you ensure they are only accessing appropriate content.

CHECK PRIVACY SETTINGS

YouTube gives users the option of uploading videos as 'private' or 'unlisted' – so they could be shared exclusively with family and friends, for example. Comments on videos can also be disabled and channels that your child is subscribed to can be hidden. If your child is only uploading videos that are protected as 'private', they are far less likely to receive direct messages from strangers.

CHECK OTHER PLATFORMS

Influential content creators usually have other social media accounts which they encourage their fans to follow. Having an open discussion about this with your child makes it easier to find out how else they might be following a particular creator online. It also opens up avenues for you to check out that creator's other channels to see what type of content your child is being exposed to.

MONITOR ENGAGEMENT

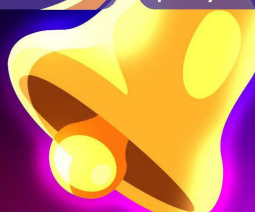
YouTube is the online viewing platform of choice for billions of people, many of them children. Younger children will watch different content to older ones, of course, and react to content differently. You may want to keep an eye on how your child interacts with content on YouTube – and, if applicable, with content creators – to understand the types of videos they are interested in.

LIMIT SPENDING

Although YouTube is free, it does offer some in-app purchases: users can rent and buy TV shows and movies to watch, for example. If you're not comfortable with your child purchasing content online, limit their access to your bank cards and online payment methods. Many parents have discovered to their cost that a child happily devouring a paid-for series quickly leads to an unexpected bill!

Meet Our Expert

Clare Godwin (a.k.a. Lunawolf) has worked as an editor and journalist in the gaming industry since 2015, providing websites with event coverage, reviews and gaming guides. She is the owner of Lunawolf Gaming and is currently working on various gaming-related projects including game development and writing non-fiction books.



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OPEN THIS OCTOBER & EVENTS! NOVEMBER 4:30PM - 7PM



STATION PLAZA OPEN EVENT 2023 ↓



EASTBOURNE OPEN EVENT 2023 ↓

Don't miss out!

Open Events are the perfect opportunity for you to come in and see the college surroundings and facilities, meet our dedicated course tutors and find out about the courses we have on offer.

Hastings

5th October 2023
16th November 2023

Lewes

12th October 2023
23rd November 2023

Eastbourne

19th October 2023
30th November 2023

Newhaven

9th November 2023



Scan the QR code for more information on our Open Events including more dates next Spring.

See you there!

LEWES

LEWES CAMPUS
Mountfield Road,
Lewes, BN7 2XH

HASTINGS

STATION PLAZA CAMPUS
Station Approach,
Hastings, TN34 1BA

NEWHAVEN

MARINE WORKSHOPS
Railway Quay,
Newhaven, BN9 0ER

EASTBOURNE

EASTBOURNE CAMPUS
Cross Levels Way,
Eastbourne, BN21 2UF

ORE VALLEY CAMPUS
Parker Road, Hastings, TN34 3SU

AUTOMOTIVE TRAINING CENTRE
Unit 17 & 18 Northridge Industrial
Estate, Ivyhouse Lane, Haywood
Way, Hastings, TN35 4PP

HASTINGS CAMPUSES

STATION PLAZA (SP)

A-Levels
Business & Accounting
Childcare, Healthcare & Social Care
Creative: Art & Design
Hairdressing, Beauty & Complementary Therapies
Hospitality & Catering
Sport & Fitness
Travel & Tourism
Uniformed Public & Protective Services
Apprenticeships
Student Services
HE (degree)

ORE VALLEY (OV)

All Construction courses
Creative: Media Production
Engineering
IT
Student Support inc.
Apprenticeships
Pathways
Student Services

AUTOMOTIVE TRAINING CENTRE (ATC)

All Motor Vehicle courses



