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Celebrating our school and community

...Sports Day



It was a glorious sunny day for Sports Day yesterday! The students who competed did themselves proud; they tried really hard and showed some real skill and great athleticism. The spectators also played their part and got fully behind the students from their tutor group who took part in the events - there was a lovely atmosphere and everyone conducted themselves brilliantly. Thanks to all the staff who supported the day, it was a real team effort. The Olympic motto is Faster, Higher, Stronger, FHS, this was on display yesterday... well done to all!



A big shout out to our Level 2 and Level 3 Sports Leaders who received their certificates recently. These are national recognised awards (Level 3 carries 16 UCAS points) and support the students' college/university applications and help



build key lift skills for their CVs and interviews. The Sports Leaders have done a great job this year assisting with Open Evening, after school clubs, primary school events, primary school lessons and also running sports festivals. They were, of course, instrumental in Sports Day organisation too! Finally, sticking with sporting shout outs, we wanted to say a big 'thank you' to Formby Hall and Golf Club for their kind donation of fitness suite equipment which is hugely appreciated by students and staff alike!



...Engineering

Peel Ports came into school recently to talk to our Year 12 Engineers about careers and apprenticeships in the field of Engineering. Dr Matt Gibson, Group Head of Engineering, talked to students specifically about what companies are looking for in young Engineers. Lil Marflit, Engineering Systems Manager, and Mark Gallagher, Engineering Support Services Manager, tasked the students with building bridges using as little material as possible and cost their project; they then had to test the bridges to see which was most cost effective. The students really enjoyed the inspiring afternoon and we would like to thank Peel Ports for giving their time to support our future engineers!





... Festival of Languages

We have just completed the final week of the three-week long Festival of Languages hosted by universities of Liverpool, Manchester, MMU and Lancaster ended with a week of events for students in topics including Spanish cuisine (Year 7 were keen to ask the host if she liked Cola Cao!), an Italian language taster, Galician folklore and a session on the Terracotta

Warriors in which students learned how to differentiate ranks from uniforms and hairstyles. Well done to all who took part...Formby High School is certainly a language friendly school!

...National Youth Monologues

Twenty-one of our talented Drama students were entered for the National Youth Monologue Competition and we have some fantastic news to share! One of our students has been successful in making it to the live London final on Sunday 13 July where she will perform on a West End stage in front of an audience. Emma (Year 9) will have the opportunity to showcase her skills as she has made it to the TOP 10 in her category, beating thousands of young people in the UK to gain her spot! Well done Emma and break a leg! On top of this, the following students also made it to the regional finals or were given Highly Commended shout outs for their amazing performances – well done to all involved!



- Alice M (Regional finalist (semi-finalist) Top 40!)
- Alice Mc (Regional finalist (semi-finalist) Top 40!)
- Trixie R-J (Regional finalist (semi-finalist) Top 40!)
- Ava S
- Michael F
- Dylan M
- Oliver N
- Ethan W

... Food Glorious Food



Formby High School food students got involved in the Guinness World Record attempt to complete the largest cookery class (multiple venues) ran by Jamie Oliver's Cookery School. The students enjoyed the live lesson where they all made pasta from scratch, into a lovely fresh tomato and basil sauce. Mrs Lloyd was very impressed with all the dishes made.

The summer term extra-curricular Biscuit Decorating Workshop was another delicious success. Members of this club from Year 7 had a fantastic time developing their biscuit making and decorating skills.

Club Leader, Mrs Theron, said "This is not an easy task and quite a skill to perfect, but as you can see from the photos, they did incredibly well.'



...Pre-Loved Uniform

Many parents will be looking to purchase uniform items during the summer holidays and we wanted to remind you that we have selection of pre-loved uniform items at FHS if you need support with these purchases. If you would like to find out more about our pre-loved items, do get in touch with us. Also, we are sending out a plea for any FHS ties as our pre-loved stock of them is very low. If you have any unwanted FHS ties, we would love to take them!

... Sunday Service



To round off a fantastic year, our FHS Music Department and special guests will be performing a dazzling afternoon of music in the Extravaganza space at Southport Market. Headlining the event will be our spectacular community members of G:Force Gospel Choir, who are currently celebrating their recent charity recording. G:Force were recently awarded the Sefton Arts Award at the 2025 Pride of Sefton Awards. We will also be welcoming some friends and special guests from across the Music Department family to join for some special collabs! Get set for some

stunning guest performances from Year 12 student, Lily, Sefton's finest songstress Anna Corcoran and the legendary gospel diva Carla Jane! There will also be DJ sets from FHS's very own Charlie (Year 8)! The main bar will be open for drinks and guests are also welcome to purchase food from the fabulous vendors too. Doors to the event space open from 1.30pm. Seating will be at informal tables. <https://fhsmusicsundayservice2025.eventbrite.co.uk>

... Sixth Formers Conquer the Cumbrian Hills

Ten determined Sixth Form students have successfully completed their Gold Duke of Edinburgh (DofE) Expedition in the rugged and picturesque landscape of Cumbria, marking a major milestone in their DofE journey. The four-day trek challenged both physical endurance and mental resilience, especially on day 1, when the team faced relentless rain and strong winds, leaving everyone soaked but undeterred. Despite the



difficult start, the group pulled together with teamwork, humour, and perseverance to push through the varied and often unpredictable weather of the Cumbrian fells. Congratulations go to Harry, Kelly, Alex, Elliot, Phoebe, Lily, Smaragda, Rebecca, Rosie, and Sophie, whose hard work, resilience, and teamwork helped them complete this demanding expedition. Two of the participants, Sophie and Rosie, shared their reflections on the experience: "Completing Gold has been a fantastic achievement. We've learned new skills, taken part in residentials – including one in Borneo and another in the French Alps – and developed some fantastic friendships along the way." The Gold Award is the highest level of the DofE programme and requires participants to complete a

physical activity, develop a skill, volunteer in their community, undertake a residential, and finally complete a challenging expedition. Each student has dedicated significant time and energy over the past year to achieve this remarkable goal. The group were all smiles in a photo taken on the penultimate day, standing beneath bright skies and dramatic scenery—a proud moment after days of hard trekking and enduring the elements together. A huge congratulations to all ten students involved. Your determination and spirit throughout this challenge are an inspiration to the rest of the school community. We are incredibly proud of you all!

... and finally

With just one final week left, we will be ending this school year with two fantastic celebrations. Our **Community Day** on 17 July is being launched to enable us to celebrate, as a school community, all we have achieved together and all that connects us. Our staff team have worked incredibly hard to bring together a fun-filled day of activities to enjoy with them throughout the school campus. From bingo and beach walks, to pancake competitions and silent discos, interactive walls to zen zones – there is really something for everyone! Celebrating team work, friendship and community. On Friday, we will gather as a whole school for our end of year **Celebration Assembly** to take stock of all the great things that have happened this year.

On the Horizon...

- ★ Y8 Wimbledon Trip – 13/14 July
- ★ Community Day – 17 July
- ★ Celebration Assembly – 18 July
- ★ Summer Holidays – 21 Jul – 31 August
- ★ A Level Results – 14 August
- ★ GCSE Results – 21 August
- ★ INSET 1 (staff only) – 1 September
- ★ INSET 2 (staff only) – 2 September
- ★ All Years Start of New Year – 3 September