

Helsby Highlights

Helsby High School's Student Newsletter

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New Year, New You!

So, Christmas is over and the new year has begun and the editorial team have been talking about New Year resolutions that they have made. Is 2017 going to be your year for success?

What are New Year Resolutions?

A new year resolution is a promise that a person makes to themselves about something they are going to achieve during the following year. They are set in January as people feel a new year is a new beginning, and it gives them an opportunity to reflect back on the year that has just passed and look forward to the year that lies ahead.



The common new year resolutions involve either trying to break a bad habit (like biting you nails), or trying to start a good one (like eating healthily). Our editors have got some great examples that they wanted to share...see if you can take inspiration! Our resolutions are: to be healthy; to walk the dog more; to be nicer to people; to work harder; to get more active; to try something new. What is it that you want to achieve this year?!

Dates for your diary!

- 30/01/17: Y12-13 Chemistry Olympiad
- 31/01/17: Y9 Consultation evening
- 02-05/02/17: Y13 'Your future in Europe' conference trip
- 09/02/17: Y10 Consultation evening
- 10/02/17: Y12 Business Studies trip to JCB
- 15/02/17: Y9 Options evening
- 16-17/02/17: Primary school Big Maths Quiz at HHS

The PCSOs have a fortnightly drop in to help you with any issues in the community – come and see them in C15 on a Wednesday lunch time. **Next drop in: 25th January**



An interview with Star of the Week



Star of the Week Alex C (7CWH) tells us all about his sparkling achievement. He received the award for always doing his best in lessons and being a role model to his year. Alex says he was happy when his name was called out and very proud to be the one to stand up and collect his certificate. It was a lovely surprise to get recognition for all his hard work. Alex, who started Helsby just this September, named geography, French and maths as his favourite lessons and uses his free time to go to the hub, meeting his friends and play on his PC, which he hopes to make into a career as a games designer. His words of advice for other are "Do good, be good and help other people".

(Eva L)

What's on Guide:

- **Frodsham Youth Club** (Tuesdays and Fridays at Frodsham Community Centre, 7:00 – 9:00pm)
- **ReCharge** – Every Wednesday in A8, 1:20-2:00pm
- **Helsby Tennis Club** – Every Saturday, 10:00 at Helsby Community Sports Club (£3 for 1 hour; £5 for 2 hours)
- **NCK Friday** – Youth Club for years 6-8 on Friday nights at the NCK Centre, Norley (6:30-7:45pm)
- **NCK Extra!** Youth club for years 9+ on Friday nights at the NCK Centre, Norley (8:00-9:00pm)
- **Frodsham Jude Club** - Every Wednesday at 5:45pm and 6:30pm, in the Scout Hut on Moore Lane (behind Natwest), Frodsham.
- **GCSE Science revision sessions** – Thursdays 3:15-4:30pm, until the 25th May. Biology in C23 / C18; Chemistry in C65; Physics in C70

Why not try some new clubs this year?

Every lunch time in the sports hall PE have a basketball club. There is a digital music club on in the music department every Tuesday lunch time. The DT department have a design club every Thursday lunch time, and there is a Simpsons club every Friday lunch time in B41!

British Values: Thought for the Week

**If at first you don't succeed,
try again!**

Don't give up trying to achieve what you want to achieve – there is always another way around it, or someone who can help.

Puzzle Box!

Riddles:

What has four fingers & a thumb but is not living?

I have keys but no locks. I have space but no room. You can enter but you can't go outside. What am I?

What flies when it is born, lies when it is alive and runs when it is dead?

What gets wetter the more it dries?

Sudoku

6		2			5
	1			6	
		3			4
4			2		
	5			4	
1			5		6

Answers in the next newsletter!

WANTED!

We need your stories – trips; important events; achievements; anything! Email things you want publishing in the newsletter to news@helsbyhigh.org.uk

Fundraising

Our charity of the year is Cancer Research UK and as a school, we are well on our way to contributing a huge amount of money to support them in their crucial work.



CANCER RESEARCH UK

Cancer Research UK is the world's leading charity dedicated to beating cancer through research. They have saved millions of lives by discovering new ways to prevent, diagnose and treat cancer. They don't get any funding from the government so their work depends on the public raising as much money as possible for them to keep saving lives!



Gadget Reviews

Back from the dead the retro **NINTENDO!** It is the granddad of gaming, this console ranges around £40-50 and is perfect for anyone. This classic machine shows off its original joystick and paintwork and by the price it is definitely the gift of 2017!



LASER KEYBOARD

This device connects to any phone by blue-tooth and costs around £90-100. It projects a keyboard that you can send messages from! It is a must have for people who love gadgets and their friends!



(Jamie W)

Game review – STEEP

Initial release date: December 2, 2016

Genre: Extreme Sports game

Platforms: PlayStation 4, Xbox One, Microsoft Windows

One of the first extreme sports games since the days of SSX in the early 2000s, this game can actually bring more humour than you'd expect.

Steep is an open world extreme sports game set in the French/Swiss alps with a free update adding Alaska, this game requires internet due to its high online focus so it's a good game to play with friends.

If you remember SSX, you'll remember that you can only play with snowboards and skis but in Steep, you can use wingsuits and paragliders too.

The game is highly realistic with the graphics making it as if you're a real snowboarder/skier/paraglider, especially when you use GoPro mode (first person) during challenges although it is harder than 3rd person.

There are multiple humorous outfits in Steep, e.g. Santa and

Yeti costumes and a down helmet! Also, if you crash your wingsuit mid-flight without deploying a parachute, depending on where you crash, your character will ragdoll through the Alps! There are 4 game modes in Steep: Explorer (challenges player to find new

challenges and areas), Freestyler (challenges players tricks precision and accuracy), Bone Collector (challenges players risks, crashes and ridiculous stunts) and freerider (a mix of all three).

Overall this a great game for all the family and is highly recommended.

Score 8.5/10

(Finn C)

