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WELCOME FROM MR LARKIN HEAD OF SIXTH FORM

Welcome to Sixth Form News. I hope you enjoy our Sixth Form Open Evening and hearing about all that the academy has to offer. We have Sixth Form students with us tonight, some have been here since Year 7, other joined us for the Sixth Form, please talk to them about being a student at the academy.

YEAR 13 HISTORIANS VISIT SENATE HOUSE LIBRARY

Our Year 13 history students visited the Senate House Library part of the University of London, in Bloomsbury. Students undertake a course work element as part of A Level history which involves choosing a topic of their choice, completing extensive reading and writing 4000 words to explain their judgment on the past.

The historians were a credit to our Sixth Form with their commitment to find a range of appropriate sources. Visiting the library gives students access to books, periodicals and academic papers only available in university libraries. This gives them more specialised research material for their coursework. It's also an experience of using a university library with its huge variety of resources, a good introduction for when students move on to more independent study as part of a degree.



We are excited to see the work produced by these students in the coming weeks. We will see essays on topics from the end of Apartheid in South Africa to the role of the Medici family in Renaissance Italy! Please come over to History to see more examples on this fantastic work.

Caitlin and Ella, who went on the visit said "It was a fantastic day, the library was fascinating and had a section dedicated to special collections and archives. The staff were extremely helpful and provided an insightful tour. There was a huge variety of books in every section imaginable, there was something for everyone. Our coursework is centred around medical history and we were able to find a pile of books which will be extremely useful. It is a must for every student to visit!"







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A LEVEL RESULTS DAY

A Level results day is an exciting day at the academy. Students collect their results and look forward to the next chapter of their lives.

This year 104 of our students applied for a place at university and took up their place. 20 students gained a place at a Russell Group university.

This year we had a number of students who were accepted on to degree apprenticeships. One student is working with PwC doing a degree in accountancy. Another student has an apprenticeship with Rolls Royce for Aerospace Engineering.

Our students went on to these Russell Group universities taking the following subjects:

Kings College London Biochemistry Biomedical Science Biomedical Engineering Engineering Mathematics

Leeds University Actuarial Maths Maths

London School of Economics and Political Science, University of London Actuarial Science

Queen Mary University of London Accountancy Biomedical Engineering Chemistry Computer Science Engineering Mathematics

University of Sheffield Electrical & Electronic Engineering

MOST POPULAR UNIVERSITIES

City, University of London King's College London University of Essex Kingston University University of Kent Queen Mary, University of London

TOP COURSES TAKEN BY OUR STUDENTS

Architecture Computer Science Law Accounting and Economics Engineering Maths

Biomedical Science English and Drama Politics

MACMILLAN BAKE SALE RAISES £353.50



Our first big fundraising event of every year is the Macmillan Coffee Morning bake sale. We had home made donations from students and staff and our lovely kitchen staff decorated their home made cakes with Macmillan green icing!

MACMILLAN CANCER SUPPORT

More than three million people are living with cancer in the UK. By 2030 this figure will rise to four million. Macmillan Cancer Research aims to help everyone with cancer live life as fully as they can, by providing physical, financial and emotional support. They provide a wide range to services including running a help line, run campaigns fight for real change to help everyone with cancer live life as fully as they can and support healthcare professionals and their patients. They have a new campaign at the moment to provide advice on the cost of living crises for people living with cancer.

Year 12 students helped to run the cake stall at lunch and break. Our final total is £353.50.

Miss Enver-Yusuf head of creative arts said "We look forward every year to running the cake sale and enjoy seeing (and tasting!) the home made cakes that staff and students bring in. We feel it's important to support Macmillan and it's great to take part in a national event knowing that similar cake sales are going on throughout the country. It is lovely to see students from all years groups coming together to offer their time and working together on such a worthy cause! A big thank you to all involved."





CAFOD YOUNG LEADERS



Each year a group of students sign up to become CAFOD (Catholic Agency for Overseas Development) young leaders. Students are encouraged to reflect on their responsibility towards others and the planet. They look at global justice issues and run a social action project as part of the course. Our students last year were Aaron, Amaka, Dominic, Jovia, Kaye and Levania. The students travel up to CAFOD headquarters in London to meet with other students from other schools to take part in discussions and plan their activities.

Our group of young leaders put on a wonderful fashion show to raise money for two charities. Students were encouraged to come in their national costume or wear clothes showing their heritage and make a donation to the fundraising effort. Students from all years and staff dressed up and strutted their stuff along the catwalk in Palmer playground. £1059.88 was raised and split between two charities, CAFOD and Project Seagrass.

Students chose Operation Seagrass because seagrass, which lives in shallow, sheltered areas along our coast, captures carbon up to 35 times faster than tropical rainforests and, even though it only covers 0.2% of the seafloor, it absorbs 10% of the ocean's carbon each year, making it an incredible tool in the fight against climate change. Its effects are much quicker than planting trees which need time to grow.

