

CA Update



10 May 2016

Message from the Principal

Mayor and Mayoress of RBKC visit

Last week we were pleased to host the Mayor and Mayoress of Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea, Cllr and Mrs Robert Freeman. The Mayor and Mayoress last visited the Academy shortly after it opened, so were very interested to revisit. It was a fantastic visit, enjoyed by all. I'd like to thank all the students and staff who spent time talking to our guests and for representing the Academy so well. The Mayor wrote to me afterwards to say "We were both very impressed by the Christian ethic and the clear desire for every pupil to achieve their full potential and to lead a happy and fulfilled life."

Examination preparation

Examination preparation continues, with year 11 students attending a final assembly about exam procedures today, and year 10 due to attend a similar

assembly on Friday. Our MFL students are already completing their speaking assessments, and next week our year 10 students sit their first GCSE exam which is RE. All year 10 and 11 students will be sitting RE exams next Monday and Wednesday and we wish them all the very best of luck.

Year 9 Parents' Consultation Evening - this Thursday

This is taking place this Thursday, from 4.10 pm, with the last appointments at 7.20 pm. All year 9 students should be booking appointments with their teachers. Parents' Consultation evenings provide a valuable opportunity to talk to classroom teachers and we strongly encourage all parents to attend.

Moped ban reminder

Can I please remind parents that, following a serious 'hit and run' accident last year and in the interest of student safety, I banned students from riding mopeds to school. The Academy's surrounding area is incredibly busy with pedestrians and cars at the start and end of day, and this can pose a real risk to the safety of inexperienced riders. Furthermore, there is no parking for mopeds on site or in the surrounding area and so I would appreciate your support with this.

Continuing building works in the local area

I've been notified that demolition work is about to commence on the warehouse behind Lots Road pumping station. This is going to increase lorry traffic on Lots Road, at the front of the Academy. The C3 bus route is currently on diversion on Lots Road too, making the area very congested. As always please can I ask you to avoid dropping your children off to the Academy wherever possible.

Calendar for 2016-17

The term dates for the next Academic year are now available on the Academy website. There will be two more INSET days for late September confirmed shortly. Dates can be found under 'News and Events' and then 'Calendar'. You can select a filter to show term dates only.

Reflection



Dear Parents and Carers,

The upcoming ethos themes for us all to reflect on and discuss are:

Servant Leadership

43 Not so with you. Instead, whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, 44 and whoever wants to be first must be slave of all. 45 For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.' (Mark 10:43-45)

Key Question: Why is service an important part of leadership?

Joy

Clap your hands, all you nations;
shout to God with cries of joy. (Psalm 47:1)

Key Question: What things can give us true joy?

The next parent prayer meetings for the year are now from 5-6pm on Tuesday 17 th May and Tuesday 14 th July (Unfortunately the meeting

on Thursday 16 th June is cancelled).

Please also feel free to contact me further on tim.richards@chelsea-academy.org

With every blessing,

Tim Richards

Academy Chaplain

Year 12 Summer Science Exhibition



On Monday 9th May, Mrs Holgate spoke to all Year 12 Science students about their forthcoming Summer Science Exhibition. Students studying Biology, Chemistry, Physics and/or Psychology will decide on a research question they wish to answer and then carry out their own literature review or novel research in an attempt to reach an answer. All students will present their work at the Chelsea Academy Summer Science Exhibition on 7th July, 5-7pm, before the summer concert.

Project D Students run a science stall at

Imperial Festival



Twelve Year 10 students from Chelsea Academy ran a stall at the prestigious Imperial Festival on Friday 6th May. This was the culmination of their work on 'Project D', in which they worked with Dr Andy Scott from the Royal Brompton Hospital and staff from Imperial College to learn about his research in MRI scans of human hearts and demonstrate the research for younger students. They called their stall 'The Hearty Vessel' and taught students from local primary schools about diffusion, heart structure and MRI imaging, all while dressed as pirate scientists!

"Building Bridges" Science Museum Visit



A class of Year 7 students from Chelsea Academy visited the Science Museum as part of the “Building Bridges” project on Thursday 5 th May. The students had the opportunity to debate a question related to research about allergies carried out at University College London. In groups, they created a journalist poster to respond to the question of peanuts and allergy. Students enjoyed being part of the press conference and sharing views on the research. In groups, students took part in a digital activity trail exploring the Making Modern World gallery. Students had to find items on display to solve a scenario based problem in different time periods.

Upcoming Events



Year 9 Parents' Consultation Evening

May 12, 4:00 pm – 7:30 pm

GCSE and A level examination period

May 16 – Jun 29 all-day

Inter-House Talent Competition *NEW DATE*

May 19, 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm

Year 13 Flexible Study Week

May 23 – May 27 all-day

HALF TERM

May 31 – Jun 3 all-day



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