



CHELSEA
ACADEMY
FOUNDATION



IMPACT REPORT
2024/2025

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We are a registered charity committed to enhancing the lives of students at Chelsea Academy, a thriving, non-selective jointly sponsored state and Church of England secondary school in London.

OUR STUDENTS

Chelsea Academy serves over **1,100** students from Years 7 to Year 13, with

- **46.7%** eligible for free school meals, significantly above the national average of **25.7%**.
- **30%** of our students have English as an Additional Language, compared to the national average of **19.2%**.
- **17%** of our students are under a SEND provision.

Many students are from local primary schools in disadvantaged areas; our largest is in an area among the **11% most deprived** in England, and several others are in the 25–33% most deprived nationally.



2024-2025: HIGHLIGHTS



£174,500 raised for Chelsea Academy students



50+ programmes delivered in Academic, Enrichment, Wellbeing and Life Skills



Whole-school Wellbeing funded, including counsellors, residentials, early support and Breakfast Programme



New Life Skills: GCSE Food Technology Masterclass and Year 12 Social Enterprise Project



180 Year 11s received GCSE revision guidebooks in every subject



15+ trips funded or arranged for over 400 students, locally and abroad



99 students in Years 9–13 took part in Duke of Edinburgh Awards, from Bronze to Gold

OUR MISSION

OUR MISSION is to empower every student to reach their fullest potential.

We broaden horizons, bridge gaps in attainment and social mobility and remove obstacles so that talent and aspiration, not financial circumstance, determine achievement.

OUR 2024-2025 PROGRAMMES

We provide targeted funding and practical support in four key areas.

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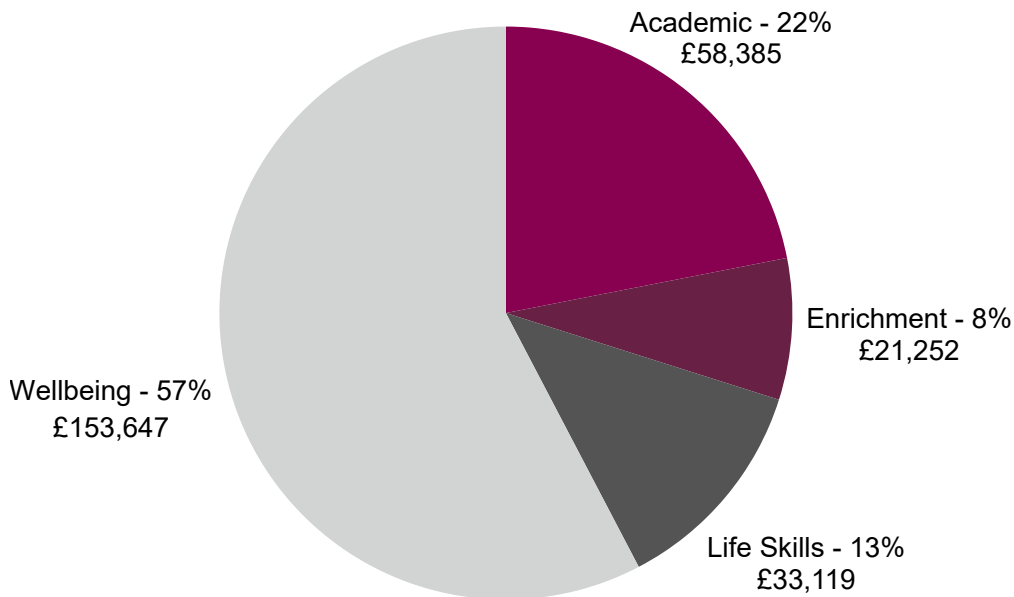
The Access Project, Brilliant Club, Trips, GCSE Revision Guides, Digital Theatre, GCSE Revision Trip, Sparx Learning Platform, GCSE and A Level Exam Breakfasts

LIFE SKILLS

Duke of Edinburgh, Oppidan Mentoring, Student Volunteering Opportunities, Vox Pops, Mock Interviews, Speakers, Cooking Masterclass, Social Enterprise Project

OUR INVESTMENT BY PROGRAMME TYPE

£265,000 INVESTED IN 50 PROGRAMMES



ENRICHMENT

Rowing, Debate Mate, First Story, Clay Sculpture, Drama Production, Cultural Trips, EAL Trips

WELLBEING

Place2Be, Jamie's Farm, Chelsea Champions, AllChild, Breakfast Programme, Hardship Fund

OUR RESULTS



PARTICIPATION HIGHLIGHTS

- Over 2,700 student opportunities were delivered throughout the year
- Over 350 in-house counselling sessions and early intervention support provided to over 85 students
- 48 students are offered spaces in the rowing programme, with three being selected to take part in the 2025 Youth Boat Race
- Access for 900 students to the Sparx Learning Platforms

Could you sponsor a programme for a year group or cohort, helping more students participate and succeed?

Contact us to see what your support could make possible.

ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS

- **Recognised by Education Secretary Bridget Phillipson** as one of the country's top schools for disadvantaged pupils' attainment
- **25% of all A-Level** qualifications graded A*-A; and 55% of all A-Level qualifications graded A*-B
- **A Level average grade improved** to B-, up from a C the previous year
- **GSCE Results:** 53.1% achieved Grade 5 or above in English/Maths compared to the national average of 45.4%
- **Top University Destinations:** Cambridge, Imperial, UCL, Kings, Bristol, Durham, Edinburgh, Warwick and Trinity College, Connecticut USA
- **Top Apprenticeship Destinations:** The Hill Group



STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

In Autumn 2024, Leon became the first-ever recipient of the Chelsea Academy Foundation Award - a richly deserved honour for a student who embodies the Foundation's values in everything he does.

During his time at the Academy, Leon has participated in a wide range of Foundation-supported programmes including Oppidan Mentoring, Debate Mate, Rowing, and the Duke of Edinburgh Award.

The skills he gained: teamwork, perseverance, and confidence in public speaking, have shaped not only who he is, but how he gives back. He volunteers with St John Ambulance and the Fire Cadets, helps organise school charity events, and as the Foundation's inaugural Student Ambassador, represented us at key events including leading the student presentation at our Supporters' Celebration in May 2025.

With his sights now set on studying Medicine at university, Leon's journey is a powerful testament to what becomes possible when students are given the right opportunities — and the confidence to make the most of them.

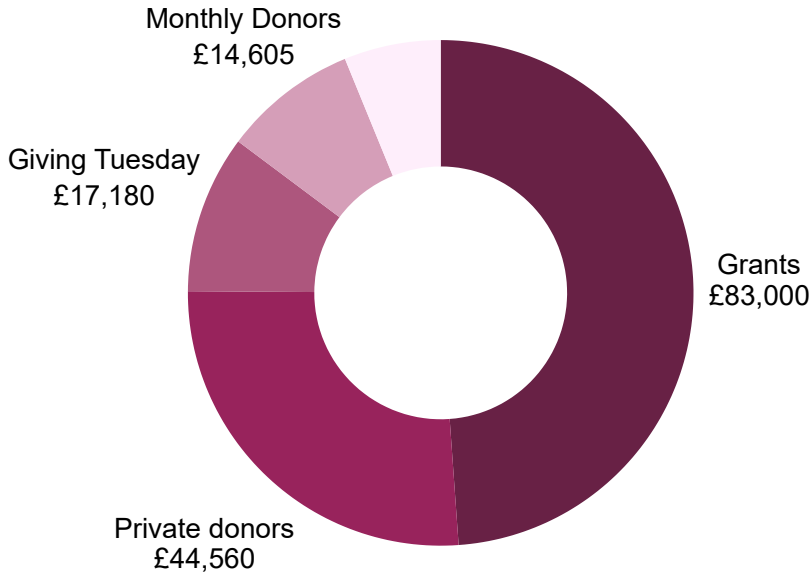


Leon says it best...

“It has been an amazing journey, and I am extremely grateful for the support the CAF has given me.

Through hardship, success and every point in between, Chelsea Academy has kept me anchored within my community.”

OUR 2024-2025 SUPPORT HIGHLIGHTS



We held our second
Giving Tuesday
campaign focussed on
raised funds for our Life
Skills programmes,
raising over

£17,000

We had
20
committed monthly
donors, contributing over
£14,000
of key funding towards
our general programmes.

75

We had over 75 volunteers support a range of 2024-25 events, such as speaking at the Sixth Form Lunchtime Lectures, providing mock interview practice for Sixth Form and Year 10 students, leading office visits and work experiences, taking part in Foundation-delivered new initiatives like the Technology Coding Workshop, GCSE Food Technology Masterclass, Year 12 Social Enterprise Project.

We cultivated over **10**

partnerships across a range of professional sectors, including finance, hospitality, luxury retail, food and other local community groups and charities.

Looking Ahead: We plan to widen access to enrichment and life skills programmes, strengthen our whole-school approach to wellbeing, and expand academic support so even more students can achieve outstanding results, regardless of background. With your continued support, we can reach more students, remove more barriers, and create even more life-changing opportunities.

SUPPORTER SPOTLIGHT



Audrey, Co-Founder of Tinka & Co. London

Volunteer and Social Enterprise Project Mentor

A graduate of Central Saint Martins, Audrey built her career across fashion and e-commerce, working for global brands including Chanel, Chloé, Kenzo, Marks & Spencer, and ASOS before co-founding Tinka & Co. London, a design-led dog lifestyle brand known for its craftsmanship and interiors-first approach to pet living.

Audrey has been volunteering with the Foundation for over three years. She first got involved through our Mock Interview Days, giving Year 10 students valuable practice being interviewed by an adult outside their school or family — often for the very first time.

She has since become a key mentor on the Year 12 Social Enterprise Project, kicking off the programme each year with a talk about her own entrepreneurial journey and returning each half-term to guide students as they develop their ideas.

Reflecting on what keeps her coming back, Audrey has said:

I've seen first-hand how one project can change a student's confidence. How stepping into a CEO or CFO role for the first time can transform a personal statement. How one programme can give them a story to tell, and a sense of direction they didn't have before. If someone once opened a door for you when you were young, you'll understand the impact it can have on your entire life.

Could your organisation mentor or host students?

Get in touch to explore partnership opportunities.

THANK YOU

The trustees are deeply grateful for the generosity of everyone who has supported the Foundation this year, whether through financial gifts, volunteering, or both. Your support enables the Foundation to deliver life-enriching programmes that broaden opportunities for Chelsea Academy students.

We would also like to thank Mariella Ardron, Diana Goodhugh, Laura Hitchcock, the Chelsea Academy Governors and all the staff at Chelsea Academy for their steadfast support of the Chelsea Academy Foundation and its programmes.



There are many ways to support us: through financial or in-kind donations, volunteering, or sharing information about the Chelsea Academy Foundation and the work we do.

If you are interested in supporting the Chelsea Academy Foundation, please email Megan.Ouchterloney@chelsea-academy.org or visit our website.

Every contribution, of any size, helps create life-changing opportunities for Chelsea Academy students. Please consider supporting us today.



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