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Monday 6 June

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Mon 27 & Tue 28 June

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Thursday 6 July

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11, 12 & 13 July

**Sports Day**

Friday 15 July

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Thursday 21 July

### We are the Champions!

Ms G Clare

On Tuesday 3 May the final of the Waltham Forest Year 9 Football Championships took place at Wadham Lodge between Walthamstow Academy and Lammas School.

It was a closely fought match between two sides with a great deal of ability and was played with great sportsmanship. Lammas led on two occasions but the Academy boys ran out eventual winners.

Walthamstow had seen off opposition from Willowfield School and Heathcote School in previous rounds of the competition.

Team coach from the Academy, PE teacher, Mr T Mercer was extremely proud of the boys 'They were committed and determined throughout the match... To come back from a goal down on two occasions showed real spirit.' Congratulations to all of the team we look forward to further success next season.



The Year 9 Boys Football Team and Mr T Mercer with the cup

After months of training, the Walthamstow 'Aqua-Squad' visited Swindon Academy to showcase their video of Squirt the goldfish doing the limbo.

The group were introduced to the day's challenge by the keynote speaker and guest judge Miranda Krestovnikoff, wildlife presenter from the BBC's *The One Show*.

After an inspiring talk about her career with wildlife, our students took part in a Science Challenge.

The day ended with all schools presenting their video and posters to esteemed judges.



Miranda Krestovnikoff with Academy students

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## Parent & Teacher Spanish Course

Mr J Kejem

Parents and teachers who would like to improve their Spanish in time for the holidays are invited to attend a six week taster course. The topics that will be covered include: food, transport, numbers, directions, places in town and more.

The classes will be held in LA2 on Wednesday afternoons and will start at 3.45pm and finish at 4.30pm. The course will run in June and July. If you are interested please contact Mr Kejem to confirm your attendance.

## Have your Say!

Ms S Blanch

Following our recent Parent Survey we are aware of your priorities for our students. The survey told us that parents were keen for the Academy to improve a number of areas including homework and extra curricular arrangements.

To help us to make informed decisions we would like to welcome you into the Academy to share your views on these areas on **Thursday June 9** between **4pm** and **6pm**. Come and tell us what you like and how we could improve things in the future. The meeting will be very informal and refreshments will be provided. We look forward to seeing you. If you are unable to attend but would still like your say then please contact Ms Blanch.

## Parent Support - Useful Websites

Mr P Bardouille

Parents have a significant role to play in the success of their child's education. Significant encouragement and support can have a real impact on learning at school. Our website has a page of links to useful websites to support in developing your child as an effective learner. You can find the page under the PARENTS tab.



Congratulations to all our award winners

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**English**

Tyrese Reid  
Sara Elizi

Melissa Cleary  
Alyssa Maraville

**Maths**

Shukri Carush  
Sabrina Bouhafis  
Paulina Safanovaite

Ajel Webb  
Larisa Peter

**Geography**

Banke Adeniyi  
Hristo Slavov

**Science**

Josh Iton  
Humza Awan  
Chloe Godfrey  
Gorazd Sumkovski  
Roland Bodzasi

Kai Tooley  
Paige Powers

Shallamay Samuels

**Science - Special (Homework)**

Tommy-Quingoa  
Georgia Saywood  
Paige Vaughan  
Louise Roots

**Science Special**

Kai Tooley  
Britnee McEwan  
Roland Bodzasi  
Rayma Risquet  
Shallamay Samuels  
Leah Thomas

**History**

Karin Mouhon  
Tyrese Reid

**RE**

Rayma Risquet  
Alyiah Ahmed

**Art**

Toma Kibertaite  
Melissa Cleary

Roland Bodzasi  
Kyle Rattray

**Design Tech (Food)**

Toma Kibertaite  
**Technology**

Tijen Cavit

**Design Club**

Jay Ocuneff  
Courtney Patient

**Music**

Alyssa Maravilla  
Hunsh Prayag

**Community**

Sakariye Abdillahi  
Rafik Boutiche  
Lewis Butcher  
Melissa Cleary  
Shae Howell  
Georgina King  
Alyssa Maravilla  
Karin Mouhon  
Jessica Almond  
Humza Awan

Bethany Barnard  
Hope Blackwell

Sabrina Bouhafis  
Ruchiya Bugday

Faaeq Mohamed-Faizal  
Larisa Peter

Hunsh Prayag  
Destiny Smith

Megan Wilson  
Ahsan Yousaf

Cameron Bancroft  
Kane Bartlett

Britnee McEwan  
Paige Powers

Kyle Rattray  
Georgia Sullivan

Leah Thomas  
Kai Williams

Deborah Yao

**Business**

Sabrina Bouhafis  
Alyssa Maravilla

Raymah Risquet

**French**

Karin Mouhon  
Katlain Say

Toma Kibartaite  
Alyssa Maravilla

**ICT**

Umar Noor  
Molly Tollady

**Drama**

Adam Aliane  
Ruchiya Bugday

**Special Drama**

Megan Wilson  
Ruchiya Bugday

Kai Tooley

Elias Martin  
Yusuf Sahall

Melissa Cleary  
Myah Baird

Alyssa Maravilla  
Georgia Sullivan

Josh Iton

Shae Howell  
Sherwin Holder

Ikrah Dawood  
Farhan Ali

**PE**

Shae Howell  
Melissa Cleary

Sarah Ninga  
Billy Golledge

Chloe Godfrey  
Charlie Lambert

Kudazi Magure

**Learning Manager**

Kamal Kirton  
Ruchiya Bugday

**Tutor A**

Adam Aliane  
Melissa Cleary

**Tutor B**

Larisa Peter  
Mohammed Kassim

**Tutor C**

Kyle Rattray  
Britney McEwan

**Tutor D**

Paige Vaughan  
Tommy Quinga Pujota

**Tutor E**

Aisha Abdi  
Umar Noor

**Tutor F**

Charlie Lambert  
Adam Maji

year

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**English**

Abdullahi Haji  
Carla Kirkwood  
Meryam Benaichouche

**Maths**

Hyelni Garnvwa  
Kunil Mohamed

**Science**

Souhila Boutiche  
Reece Lindsay  
Sepitha Uthayachanthiran  
Cristian Gherghinel  
Atlanta McLeod Holder  
Andro Pedro

**Science - Special**

Taylan Gumus

**Technology**

Joshua Nelson

**Design Tech(Food)**

Chad Morris

**Drama**

Ben Rowlandson  
Ayse Ercan

**Drama - Special**

Mushrif Nasser  
Dean Winn  
Daniel Spires  
Chase Hawkins  
Jamal Atkinson

**Business**

Cherryrose Crane  
Souhila Boutiche

**Geography**

Jack Clayton  
Curtis Murray  
Teshan Lewis

**History**

Jonus Urbonas  
Molly Cartlidge

**French**

Hussain Shah  
Molly Cartlidge

**Spanish**

Iara Figueiredo  
Keanu Lovelace  
Sarah Bobi Gonh

**ICT**

Nicole Khan  
Curtis Murray

**Music**

Megan Vidal  
Daniel Grant

**Art**

Cameron Jean  
Reece Taylor  
Meryam Benaichouche

**PE**

Jai Harvey  
Luke Kirwan-Lewis  
Carla Kirkwood  
Yasmin Lee-Cummins  
Parhys Hodge

**RE**

Jessica Trenoweth  
Cristian Gherghinel

**Environment**

Thomas Young  
Reece Taylor  
Emran Syeed  
Ben Rowlandson  
Mikale Kendal-Morris  
Nasim Khan  
Klodian Rexha  
Lee Eldon  
Malachi Amponsah  
Joshua Omolu-Gomes

**Learning Manager**

Curtis Murray  
Nikki Eley

**Tutor A**

Zoe Onatoye  
Ferdos Mohammed  
Aymane Ekholta  
Keanu Lovelace

**Tutor B**

Carla Kirkwood  
Muhammad Herburrun

**Tutor C**

Haashim Usman  
Atlanta McLeod-Holder

**Tutor D**

Vinoth Chandrasegaram  
Ugne Gudelyte

**Tutor E**

Berfin Tunc  
Reece Taylor

**Tutor F**

Amber Tamcken  
Omari Lake-Pottinger

year

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**English**

Ismail Qureshi  
Kirithan Kandasamy  
Endri Quashi  
Adam Tracy

**Maths**

Iyaz Butt  
Seffana Mohamed-Ajaz

**Geography**

Zareen Brown  
Gloria Asante

**Science**

Iqra Jamil  
Mert Ercan  
Seffana Mohamed-Ajaz  
Abdul-Moize Mahmood  
Farouse Madougou  
Sabrina Richardson

**Science - Special**

David Cox  
Muktar Abdullahi  
Waheed Kazemi  
Syeda Bukhari

**History**

Zachary Bancroft  
Charlotte Cullen

**Music**

Raviraj Ravishanker  
Elizabeth Godfrey

**Drama**

Emma Bruncker  
Ben Clarkson

**Drama Special**

Morton Tooley  
Chris Rowe

**Business**

Emma Bruynker  
Iyaz Butt  
George Abrahams

**French**

Adam Tracy  
Sakina Kapasi

**Media Studies**

Clarissa Struthers  
Chicco Price

**Spanish**

Iqra Jamil  
Hasan Raja

**Art**

Diana Valaityte

Numan Safi

**Textiles**

Iram Ali

Eboni Senior

Emma Brunker

Rebecca Cain

**ICT**

Hasan Raja

Mouhammad Faraz Bhatti

Bruna de Pina Araujo

**Design Technology - Food**

Chicco Price

**Design Technology - Special**

Ty Brooks

Natasha Walsh

**Product Design**

Zanas Liubsys

**PE**

Precious Azuinye

Adina Mihaila

Bruna de Pina Araujo

Clarissa Struthers

Numan Safi

Emma Brunker

Shola Ayinde

**RE**

Kieran Cooke

Akici Ali-Haydar

**Learning Manger**

Hande Kumru

Jack Auchinachie

**Tutor A**

Eboni Senior

Raj Sriskandarajah

**Tutor B**

Zach Aliane

Dellesha Richards

**Tutor C**

Ali Akici

Kiran Ali

**Tutor D**

Stacey Ray

**Tutor E**

Abel Dumitru

Chris Rowe

**Tutor F**

Piriyani Kandasamy

Sakina Kapasi

Malek Lounis

Layla Grewal

Nuriyah McFarlane

**Maths**

Noemi Nemeth

Jerome Carter

Sharon Calado Dombelle

Oshane Findley

Sintshia Ramazani

**Science**

Aaron Kah

Nathan Johnson

Faaiso Sheek

Nishanth Yogavadivel

Sharnel Constable-Thornton

Noemi Nemeth

**Science - Special**

Emmanuel Powel Clarke

Alex Lotz

Charlotte Dowling

Amock Tembo

**Geography**

Alexander Chrisostomou

Mark Ceballo

**Art**

Clarice Ward

Alex Lotz

Jordan Forbes-Morris

Noemi Nemeth

Sam Flewitt

**Media Studies**

Nathan Johnson

Ugne Drazdauskaite

**Product Design**

Alex Nobrega

**Catering**

Jada Thornhill-Kuteyi

Michael West

**French**

Firdus Javeed

Jamie Voong

Charlotte Dowling

**Spanish**

Idele Imade

Mark Ceballo

**Drama**

Keziban Sahnah

Zak Boswell

Noemi Nemeth

Jessica Moore

**ICT**

Faa-Iso Sheek

**Business**

Mustafa Tunc

Krystian Szczur

**RE**

Nuriyan McFarlane

Zilehuma Sadiq

**Music**

Chloe Ibbott

Lukas Diamantis

**Health & Social Care**

Emma Crane

Zevciye Yilmaz

**Environment**

Idele Imade

Freddie Thompson

**PE**

Masoud Mohammed

Caleb Sage

Chloe Ibbott

Taofikat Sorinola

**Learning Manager**

Sameer Kassam

Saher Shafique

**Tutor A**

Alex Nobrega

Molly Crane

**Tutor B**

Nishanth Yogavadivel

Nilima Munbodh

**Tutor C**

Zubair Safi

**Tutor D**

Arantxa Francis

Alex Kozlov

**Tutor E**

Masoud Mohammed

Leanna Gale

**Tutor F**

Clarice Ward

Candice Kwaku-Odoi

year

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**English**

Ayaan Osman

Charlotte Biagioni

Hauwa Lima

Sayid Salim

**Maths**

Salma Nasser

Jamie Fahey

**Science**

Harry Littlechild

Yusaf Mohammad

Nasar Ayaan

Osman Kahina Beggache

Maria Atanasova

Seyhan Kaya

year

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**English**

Krystian Jakobczyk

Serayah Austrie  
Jamal Jones-Roach

**History**

Shakira Austrie  
Kira Matthews

**Geography**

Ayaan Osman  
Winniefred Balogun

**Art**

Linda Butseme  
Jalika Njie

**Product Design**

Sam Matthews

**French**

Marcia Veiga  
Jalika Njie  
Ayaan Osman  
Faadhil Guiness

**Media Studies**

Sholah Parker  
Karim Abdullah

**Drama**

Harry Littlechild  
Marcia Veiga  
Aisha Nur

**ICT**

Shola Parker

**Business**

Shams Gulrahman  
Maleehah Ali  
Daniel Alam

**Music**

Harry Littlechild  
Serayah Austrie

**H&SC**

Zainab Waqar  
Ketisha Blackman

**PE**

Charelle Pitter  
Yacine Arab

**Learning Manager**

Linda Butseme  
Jacob Weekes

**Tutor A**

Jalika Njie  
Aiden Coley-Lawrence

**Tutor B**

Ayaan Ali  
Carlo Ceballo

**Tutor C**

Linda Butseme  
Naser Daoud

**Tutor D**

Faadhi Guiness  
Maria Atanasova

**Tutor E**  
Sayid Salim  
Layla Ley

year

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**English**

Mahim Butt  
Imran Ali

**Maths**

Naser Yussuf  
Noelle Zermame

**Psychology**

Mahnoor Butt  
Noella Zermame

**Sociology**

Imran Ali  
Muna Hamud

**Science**

Ifrac Ali  
Lavanya Kanapathypillai  
Munira Pirzada

**French**

Tahir Choudhry

**History**

Imran Ali  
Peter Eades

**Drama**

Shane Scott  
Tacita Bugnath

**Business**

Naser Yussuf  
Aysha Anjum

Danny Mock  
Huma Bashir

**Learning Manager**

Ifrac Ali  
Peter Eades

**Tutor A**

Imran Ali

Keziah Mustapha-Richards

**Tutor B**

Monique Clarke  
Celso Barreto

**Tutor C**

Noelle Zermame  
Mahnoor Butt  
Nasser Yusuf

year

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**English**

Tia Walker  
Atinuke Phillips

**Maths**

Jhamani Jackson  
James McKeivitt

**Psychology**

Hassan Ali  
Nunza Butt

**Sociology**

Gaoul Sedeqi  
Zainab Iqbal

Jese Manful

**Science**

Marzuq Patel

**History**

Zainab Iqbal  
Hasan Ali

**ICT**

Razvan Druga  
Cemile Simsek

**Art**

Razvan Druga  
Atinuke Phillips

**Drama**

Zeena Marie  
Ayse Colak

**Business**

Rukiye Kepil  
Henry Akonor

**Special**

Manzenza Butunu  
Henry Akonor

**Learning Manager**

James McKivett  
Robert Druga

**Tutor A**

Atinuke Phillips  
Aisha Anjum

Danny Mock

**Tutor B**

Huma Bashir  
Faysal Guled

Wynton Beadle

**Tutor C**

Jade Garnett  
James McKivett  
Robert Druga

## Jack Petchey Young Achievers

Ms R Ward



Congratulations to our three *Jack Petchey Young Achievers Award* winners for the Spring Term. January's award went to Zach for his excellent leadership of the Year 9 football team (see front page). Ashleigh took February's award for outstanding commitment to dance. The March award winner was Ruchiya for her efforts in raising so much money for *Comic Relief*.

## Blood Brothers

Ms C Coe

Year 10 GCSE Drama students, from the Academy, visited The Phoenix Theatre in the west end this month to watch Willy Russell's musical drama production *Blood Brothers*.

The students, who will be exploring the production as part of their examination, were extremely well behaved and thoroughly enjoyed the production.

## Academy Day 2011/12

From September 2011 the end of the Academy Day will change on a Monday and Friday. On Mondays between 3-4pm students will take part in a range of enrichment activities.

## On-line Art Gallery

Ms D Bell

Our on-line art gallery has opened. You can see a selection of Art work from students across the Academy on the GALLERY page of our website.

### September 2011

<b>Monday</b>	<b>finish at 4pm</b>
Tuesday	finish at 3.30pm
Wednesday	finish at 3.30pm
Thursday	finish at 3.30pm
<b>Friday</b>	<b>finish at 3pm</b>



Sam Matthews - Year 11

## Message from the Principal



Emma Skae—Principal

I would like to thank those of you who completed our parent survey back in March. We use the findings from the three surveys (parent, student and staff) as another way to identify our strengths and areas for development, and to find out what is important to you.

We are pleased that you are most happy with the delivery of music, drama and art and that you think levels of homework are outstanding. We are also pleased that you are happy with Academy facilities and with levels of discipline.

You went on to say that the quality of teaching needs to improve at the Academy. It is interesting to note that your views

about this are in line with parents nationally. This is an aspect of school improvement that all schools strive to develop, as it is one of the main factors in increasing student attainment and achievement.

As a result of your comments, we are also going to improve access to staff and community spirit.

Since last year, students report they are happier with 18 out of 19 subject areas, which we are very pleased about. However, students are less happy with extra-curricular activities than they were last year. We hope that our plans for the extra-curricular slot every Monday will address this.

What now? All findings from the three surveys will be fed into our development planning process and you will see an improvement in the areas you are less happy with. And of course, we will celebrate everything you are happy about and that we are getting right.

I wish you a lovely half term and we will see you on 6 June.

Best wishes

## MyBnk

Mr T Ogbe

*MyBnk*, the award-winning social enterprise providing young people with opportunities to manage their money effectively, has successfully completed a full term at Walthamstow Academy.

Student savers have taken part in the saving challenge - the more they save the higher the rewards. Every time the students make a deposit they get a raffle ticket with the lucky winner receiving an *iPod Shuffle*.



During the Autumn term we will be launching the loan challenge which will provide young people with a unique opportunity apply for interest-free loans of up to £100 to start their own businesses.

MyBnk - PE1 - Open Every Tuesday at 1.15pm