

ME Time

Ms S Blanch



The new term saw the launch of ME time - A compulsory hour of enrichment activities held every Monday for everyone at the Academy. Students chose from a range of activities including karate, sewing, cooking, magic tricks, free running, 5 aside football, street dance, news reporting, belly dancing, additional GCSE, The Apprentice Club and many more.

Our ME Time news reporters will keep you updated throughout the year sharing with you all the excitement and adventures that take place every Monday.

Photos by the ME Time reporters

Radio 1 Xtra Broadcast

Ms V Yiannopoulos



BBC Radio 1 Xtra broadcast live from our neighbours, DV8, in the CLC building on 22 July. They invited two of our BTEC Media Studies students, Nathan Johnson and Ugne Drazdauskaite, to take part in the broadcast. On the day the students took part in the live radio show and met the DJ Tim Westwood and performers Tinchy Stryder and Maverick Sabre.

The event was an amazing success and after the broadcast the students took part in a question and answer session with the production team and celebrities.

Free School Meals

If you require information about Free School Meals please contact London Borough of Waltham Forest on 020 8496 8550 between 9am and 5pm Monday to Friday.

Alternatively you could visit one of the Waltham Forest District local shops at 137 Hoe Street, Walthamstow; 774 High Road, Leyton; 819 High Road Leytonstone or 265 Chingford Mount Road, Chingford.



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Message from the Principal

Dear Parents and Carers

The term began really well with our new Year 7s settling in brilliantly and getting off to a flying start. Our new 6th formers also hit the ground running: we have a record number of year 11 students staying on at the Academy for A level study. They say they like our personalised approach, that we care about them a lot and that we nag them to do their best! Of course, we expect all our students to try their very best at all times.

As you know, our core values are based on bringing out the best in everyone, and our exam results in August reflected this really well.

Our GCSE results rose again and 53% of students achieving 5 or more A*-C grades including in English

Diary Dates

Year 6 Open Evening

Thursday 6 October
6pm—8pm

**Year 7 & Year 10
Consultation Evening**

Thursday 20 October

INSET Day

Friday 21 October

Half Term Break

Monday 24 October
Friday 28 October

Half Term Begins

Monday 31 October

Academy Closed for Eid

Monday 7 November



and Maths. Our Year 13 students achieved the Academy's highest ever number of A* and A grades (44%). These results have motivated our new Year 13 and Year 11 students to push themselves harder because they have seen the outcomes that their predecessors achieved.

The Academy has nominated Sayid and Ayaan (above) for the London Schools and the Black Child Achievement Awards. Sayid achieved an amazing ten GCSEs, all of them at A* or A. Ayaan achieved twelve GCSEs at A*-C, eleven of which were at A* or A.

Emma Skae

Saxophone Success

Ms S Jamieson

Congratulations to Michael West who recently completed his Grade 1 Alto Saxophone examination. He scored a very impressive 140 marks out of 150. Michael is now skipping Grade 2 and moving straight on to Grade 3.

Other students who are interested in taking instrumental lessons should speak to Mr Axford or Ms Jamieson in the Music department.

Staff Pantomime

Ms R Ward



Academy staff once again entertained the students to two performances of their pantomime-'Oliver' at the end of the Summer Term. The staff involved were: Mr Walker, Ms Kerr, Ms Kenrick, Ms Moore, Mr Martinelli, Mr Brown, Ms Landon, Mr Gill, Ms Coe, Ms Matin, Ms Jamison, Mr Tasker, Ms Sinclair and Miss Ward.

We are planning to perform Cinderella at the end of the Autumn Term.

Maths News

Congratulations to the year 11 class of 2011 for their amazing GCSE results. 74.1% A*C, with 30.2% achieving an A* or A grade.

Harry Littlechild deserves a special mention for his amazing effort in lessons and a well-deserved C grade.

Riaz Hedayat, Maria Atanasova, Mohammed Asadullah and Aisha Nur from Set 4 all achieved above their target and gained much deserved C grades.

We wish all of the students good luck in their future studies.

Ms I Curak

English News

We are very proud of the number of students who achieved an A* in GCSE English this year - the highest number in the Academy's history. We were extremely pleased with the English Literature A level results which saw a rise to 50% of students securing a B grade or above.

The majority of Year 13 English Literature students are heading off to University this term and we look forward to hearing of their successes in the future.

Ms B Elton

Business News

Ruke Nezaj and Arilda Nazmiu arrived from Kosovo in 2004. They have shown great determination throughout their studies especially in BTEC Business Studies.

As well as holding down part-time jobs at *Homebase* to support themselves through their studies they have achieved the equivalent of 3 A grades at A Level and secured places at Kingston University where they will be studying Business Management. Truly inspirational!

Mr T Ogbe

Royal Society Young People's Book Prize

Dr D Srikanthan

Students from the Academy have helped to choose the winner of the 2011 *Royal Society Young People's Book Prize* for outstanding Science writing.

The prize is chosen from a shortlist by students from 85 schools across the country, including Walthamstow Academy. Each school or academy consider each of the shortlisted books and then vote for their winner. The votes are counted by the Royal Society and the

author of the winning book receives a prize of £10,000.

Taking part in this national event has broadened our students' awareness of the fun and interesting Science books that are available to them. It has also given them an insight into the process of judging books which they displayed when critiquing each of the shortlisted books.



Research Placements

Ms K Agboola

Year 12 students were busy during the summer holiday working alongside scientists at Imperial College and UCL. The placements were designed to improve their understanding of careers in medicine and research science and their chances of securing university places to study science.

Lavanya Kanpathali, Ifrah Ali and Mahnoor Butt were selected to participate in MedEx, a competitive medicine summer school run by Imperial College which gives students an insight into medicine, valuable and practical medical work experience for their UCAS forms, and practise giving presentations to a panel of medicine admission tutors.

Ifrah Ali said "This opportunity gave me the chance to learn practical skills which I dreamed of knowing as a child, learning to use a sphygmomanometer to measure blood pressure and use surgical simulators and stethoscopes. I also performed cardiovascular and endocrinology procedures for Diabetes type 2. I learnt the importance of public speaking and my confidence has improved."

Lavanya Kanpathali, Ifrah Ali, Mahnoor Butt and Munira Pirzada participated in a research science internship organised by *In 2 Science*, a charity set up by Ms McKelvey, a former head of Science at Walthamstow Academy. The students spent two weeks in laboratories working alongside research scientists and receiving advice and guidance on university applications. All of the students received extremely positive feedback from their supervisors and say that they gained tangible experience that they can confidently talk about in their university admissions interviews.

year **13**

Maths

Noelle Zermane
Psychology
 Mahnoor Butt
 Maryam Aziz

Noelle Zermane
 Hakar Omer-Noori
 Imran Ali

Sociology

Ben Williams
 Imran Ali
 Muna Hamud
 Aishan Hussain
 Adam Bownass

Science

Noelle Zermane
 Shannon Bennett
 Ben Williams
 Fariyah Mahamud
 Munira Pirzada

French

Tahir Choudhry
 Celso Barreto

History

Imran Ali
 Peter Eades

Drama

Shannon Bennett
 Keziah Mustapha-Richards

Business

Naser Yussuf
 Daniel Moore

Learning Manager

Alicia Siongo
 Peter Eades
 Mahnoor Butt
 Aisha Hussain
 Muna Hamud

Keziah Mustapha Richards
 Tom Cox

Munira Pirzada
 Mahnoor Butt

Lavanya Kanapathypillai
 Ifrah Ali

Daniel Moore
 Fatima Ahmed
 Farhiya Mahumud

Tutor A

Adam Bownass
 Maryam Aziz

Peter Eades
 Desmond Peprah

Daniel Moore

Tutor C

Hakar Omer-Noori
 Lavanya Kanapathypillai

13

English

Momina Chowdry
 Tia Walker

Sanna Sahil
 Rukiye Kepil

Atinuke Phillips
 Zainab Iqbal

Wynton Beadle
 Sibel Bakir

Raifa Rafiq
 Ghatoul Sedeqi

Maths

Jhamani Jackson
 James McKevitt

Psychology

Adam Wheeler
 Raifa Rafiq

Hassan Ali
 Marzuq Patel

Momina Chowdry
 Sheena Siddiqui

Mark Matthews
 Esther Yaro

Robert Druga
 Atinuke Phillips

Ghatoul Sedeqi
 Sanna Sahi

Wynton Beadle
 Hunza Butt

Sociology

Zainab Iqbal
 Jesse Manful

Ghatoul Sedeqi
 Momina Chowdhry

Sanna Sahi
 James McKivett

Manzenza Butunu
 Henry Akonor

Derrick Karinzi
 Ayse Colak

Ruke Nezaj
 Jade Garnett

Ahmed Hassan
 Ahmed Mohammed

Geovannie Hall

Science

Sedar Kaya
 Ahmed Hassan

Raifa Rafiq
 Marzuq Patel

Tia Walker
 Jhamani Jackson
 Muhammad Shuja

History

Zainab Iqbal
 Wynton Beadle
 Hassan Ali
 Memis Yuzer

ICT

Jesse Manful
 Esther Yaro

Razvan Druga

Art

Cemile Simsek
 Atinuke Phillips

Drama

Serdar Avcin
 Jade Garnett

Zeena Marie
 Ieva Drazdauskaite

Kevin Mumbere
 Ayse Colak

Business

Henry Akonor
 Manzenza Butunu

Robert Druga
 Derrick Karinzi

Ahmed Mohammed
 Arilda Nazmiu

Ruke Nezaj
 Sheena Siddiqui

Memis Yuzer
 Jessica Cashin

Extra Special

Jesse Manful
 Raifa Rafiq

Learning Manager

Robert Druga
 Jade Garnett

Esther Yaro
 Tia Walker

Ghatoul Sedeqi
 Jesse Manful

Tutor A

Esther Yaro
 Rukiye Kepil

Adrian Mateescue

Tutor B

Ayse Colak
 Huma Bashir

Sibel Bakir
 Zainab Iqbal

Mark Matthews
 Wynton Beadle

Memis Yuzer

Tutor C

Zeena Marie
 Ghatoul Sedeqi

Robert Druga
 Jade Garnett
 James McKivett



awards Summer Term 2011

Congratulations to all our award winners

year **7**

English

Ishaque Bukreedun
 Toma Kibartaite

Adhy Makanda

Maths

Molly Tollady
 Sabrina Bouhafis

Danial Qadeer
 Grace Mustafa

Abdi Boumrah

Geography

Shallamay Samuels
 Molly Tollady

Science

Leah Thomas
 Paulina Safonavaite

Melissa Cleary

History

Karin Mouhon
 Humza Awan

RE

Ajel Webb
 Sabrina Bouhafis

Art

Kyle Rattray
 Hunsh Prayag

Laura Bracegirdle
 Aminah Sarwar

Design Tech (Food)
 Hope Blackwell
 Tomma Kibaraite

Technology

Jordan Chrisostomou
 Alyssa Maravilla

Thomas Haire
Design Club
 Kane Bartlett

Sabrina Bouhafis
 Sophia Nawaz
 Megan Wilson

Music

Adhy Makanda
 Courtney Patient

Music Club

Naiya Braithwaite
 Kane Bartlett

Academy Choir
 Myah Baird

Georgia Sullivan
 Leah Thomas

Paige Vaughan
 Kaydean Beaupierre

Grace Mustapha
 Grace Ogunyoye

Natalia Salazar
 Sainabu Ann

Tariq Sorinhaindo
 Katie Nutt

Tijen Cavit
 Paulina Safonavaite

Alyssa Maravilla

Business

Hope Blackwell
 Humza Awan

Alyssa Maravilla
 Melissa Cleary

Lousie Roots

French

Chloe Godfrey
 Melissa Cleary

Abdirahman Dahir
French Assembly
 Umar Noor

Stephanie Swettenham
 Jayden Atkins

Billy Colledge
 Iveta Hromsakovi

James Johnson
 Kamal Kirton

Hassan Ley
 Kyle Rattray

Paulina Safonavaite
 Georgina Sullivan

Marcel Taylor
Drama
 Sherwin Holder

Samiya Uddin

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

Special Contribution

Adam Aliane
 Karin Mouhon

Hope Blackwell
 Destiny Smith

Britnee McEwan
 Aliyah Ahmed

Kylle Rattray
 Cameron Bancroft

Louise Roots
 Grace Mustapha

Umar Noor
 Grace Ogunyoye

Ahtisham Ahmed
Learning Manager
 Elias Martin

Bethany Barnard

Tutor A

Myah Baird
 Lewis Butcher

Tutor B

Destiny Smith
 Kamal Kasim

Tutor C

Marcel Taylor
 Georgia Sullivan

Tutor D

Aysha Zubair
 Louise Roots

Tutor E

Umar Noor

Tutor F

Devaine Browne
 Beatrice Palade

year **8**

English

Daniel Grant
Courtney King
Nina Kakosova
Malachi Jarrett
Mohamed Abbas
Dean Muya Mawadzi

Maths

Berfin Tunc
Emran Syeed

Science

Fazilah Hawa
Sohrab Sedeqi
Vinoth Chandrasegaram
Dhalham Mohamed-Ajaz
Curtis Murray

Design Technology

Aqsa Bibi
Ayse Ercan

Design Tech(Food)

Daniel Spires

Design Club

Vinoth Chandrasegaram
Taylan Gumus
Daniel Grant

Drama

Iara Figueiredo
Callum Partridge
Drama - Special

Mushrif Nasser
Dean Winn
Daniel Spires
Chase Hawkins
Jamal Atkinson

Business

Erika Correa
Carla Kirkwood

Geography

Meryam Benaichouche
Tyler Betts

History

Iara Figueiredo
Molly Cartlidge

French

Nina Kakosova
Nicola Robinson

Spanish

Molly Cartlidge
Harry Smith
Shagofa Qhadamzadah
Bilal Herburrun

ICT

Aymane Elkholta
Sepitha Uthayachanthiran

Curtis Murray

Hussain Shah

Meryam Benaichouche

Music

Mushrif Nasser
Renato Cantaragiu

Academy Choir

Diamond Ogunbadejo
Justin Gordon

Hyelni Garvna

Cherryrose Crane

Nikki Elery

Megan Elery

Megan Vidal

Iara Figueiredo

Beth Davies

Art

Phoebe Hill

Zoe Onatoye

RE

Susan Eroglulari

Dhalham Mohamed-Ajaz

Environment

Canali Gurcuoglu

Jack Ennis

Thomas Young

Malachi Jarrett

Humza Mahmood

Simeon Nelson

Mikael Kendall-Morris

Elias Khenouche

Shaki Banton

Ben Rowlandson

Reece Taylor

Learning Manager

Klodian Rexha

Phoebe Hill

Tutor A

Shazzad Miah

Zoe Onatoye

Tutor B

Souhila Boutiche

Klodian Rexha

Tutor C

Bethany Davis

Reece Lindsay

Tutor D

Ugne Gudelyte

Chase Hawkins

year **9**

English

Nancy Walsh
Adam Tracy
Kamran Hussain
Clarissa Struthers

Maths

Seffana Mohamed-Ajaz
Natasha Walsh

Iyaz Butt

Faraz Bhatti

Hande Kumru

Geography

Mert Ercan

Ali Haydar Akici

Science

Iyaz Butt

Seffana Mohamed-Ajaz

History

Sophie Bell

Zach Bancroft

Drama

Imran Mohamed

Kennaya McKenzie

Chris Rowe

Morton Tooley

Business

Zarreena Brown

Hande Kumru

George Abrahams

French

Emma Bruncker

Seffana Mohammed-Ajaz

Lizbeth Godfrey

Spanish

Isabella Castell

Chicco Price

Media Studies

Theo Shabuki-Leany

Sabrina Richardson

Ali-Hayder Akici

Sakina Kapasi

Seffana Mohamed-Ajaz

Rebecca Cain

Ty Brooks

Faraz Bhatti

Adina Mihaila

Art

Eboni Senior
Wahid Kandasami
Product Design
Amanant Gul
Kirsty Wilson

Design Technology

Sakin Kapsi

Iyaz Butt

Adam Tracy

Catering

George Essien

ICT

Ibrahim Haaji

Syeda Bukari

Hande Kumru

Hayder Morsel

Andy Kifani

Anis Kasim

Kimberly Rodriquez

RE

Georgia Tuckfield

Robert Mensah

Learning Manger

Makay Walker

Haleema Anjum

Ali Haydar-Akici

Morton Tooley

Chris Rowe

Charlotte Cullen

Zach Aliane

Sabba Asif

Hande Kumru

Endri Quashi

Ashleigh Killin

Sakina Kapasi

Abdellah El-Hassani

Tutor A

All students in 9A

Tutor B

Mert Ercan

Kennya McKenzie

Tutor C

Amanat Gul

Sophie Bell

Tutor D

Ashleigh Campbell

Natasha Walsh

Hasan Raja

Tutor E

Adina Mihaila

Abdikareem Sheek

Tutor F

Ahmed Belkhadim

Su'Di Khalif

year **10**

English

Gentian Rexha
Ceyda Erdogan
Chad Green

Maths

Charlotte Dowling
Lewis Jacobs

Nilima Munbodh

Freddie Thompson

Arantxa Francis

Science

Sharnel Thornton

Sharon Calado-Dombelle

Fatima Ojeerally

Aleksandra Cholakova

Geography

Tayyib Iqbal

Krystian Jakobczyk

Art

Clarice Ward

Jordan Forbes-Morris

Media Studies

Cory Small

Aleksandra Cholakova

Design & Technology

Nuriya McFarlane

Rebekah Grant

Alex Nobrega

Razeq Ahmadi

French

Sapthika Vasanthakumar

Nilima Munbodh

Spanish

Jerome Carter

Aleksandra Cholakova

Drama

Clarice Ward

Zahid Ajmal

Connor Gardner

Candice Kwaku-Odoi

ICT

Zeynep Bakir

Faa-Iso Sheek

Fatma Abdullahi

Alex Lotz

Cory Small

Ryan Francis

Aleksandra Cholokova

Business

Hadhar Gull
Mustafa Tunc

RE

Jadelle Blake
Rebekah Grant

Music

Alexandr Kozlov
Emmanuel Powell-Clarke

Special

Charlotte Dowling
Nathan Johnson

Prom Committee

Patience Azuinye
Molly Crane

Shani Banton

Benjamin Lacey

Sharon Calado-Dombelle

Keanu Rattray

Santana McKenzie

Chinyere Grant

Shana Smithmattis

Freddie Thompson

Rashmi Uddin

Jessica Kifani

Learning Manager

Charlotte Dowling

Nathan Johnson

Tutor A

Patience Azuinye

Benjamin Lacey

Tutor B

Amari Pitter

Nishanth Yogavadevel

Nilimah Munbodh

Tutor C

Fatma Abdullahi

Amock Tembo

Tutor D

Danielle Clarke

Tayyib Iqbal

Alexandr Kozlov

Tutor E

Daniel West

Zilehuma Sadiq

Tutor F

Aleksandra Cholokova

Cory Small

year **12**

English

Peter Eades
Muna Hamud