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New Year Message from the Principal



Miss E. Skae, Principal

Dear parent / carer

It has been a week of fantastic news for the Academy. We found out on Thursday that we are the 8th most improved Academy in the country, something which we are incredibly proud of. We are also proud to have the lowest levels of unauthorised absence in the borough and the second highest value added scores in the borough.

This means that the Academy is moving steadily towards our vision of outstanding provision, outstanding achievement and being an outstanding Academy by 2012.

You will have heard in the press that the government want schools to ensure that students are given the opportunity to study for a group of qualifications called the English Baccalaureate. These subjects are GCSE English, English literature, maths, double science, a language and a humanity. Schools are being rated in league tables in terms of the percentage of students who gain this group of qualifications. At Walthamstow Academy, we do offer this group of subjects for stu-

dents to take, but last year not many students chose to take these subjects as a group.

You know that at Walthamstow Academy, we are keen to make sure that we provide every opportunity for our students to be successful now and in the future. To us, this means that we provide not only opportunities, but also the right advice and guidance to help them make the most of those opportunities. At Walthamstow Academy your children are guided and encouraged to choose subjects they can be successful in, that they enjoy and that ultimately will help them to make their dreams and ambitions come true.

Staff Perform Scrooge



The cast of Scrooge

The Academy staff performed their version of the pantomime Scrooge on the last day of term. They completed two

polished performances during the day to the whole Academy. Staff and students enjoyed the show and appreciated the

efforts of all the staff that participated, at a very busy time for the Academy.

Ms R. Ward (Vice Principal)

Xmas Fayre

The Christmas Fayre was remarkable as all of the groups made a profit from items sold and we all had an enjoyable time. This was one of the greatest experiences in my life and I believe for others. Before we had the Christmas Fayre, we were put into groups to plan what we were going to sell and made posters, cards, slogans, and the logo. We had a £10 budget and had to buy what we needed. Any profit made went to a charity. In my opinion the Christmas Fayre was an absolute accomplishment. It was a challenge for all of us but it was also a marvellous experience.

Rayma Risquet (7F)

MyBnk at WA

On 25 January Walthamstow Academy's branch of MyBnk, a bank for students run by students, will open for Year 7 students.

MyBnk are an educational charity who work with young people to build their knowledge, skills and confidence in money management.

Twelve Year 9 and three Year 12 students have undergone management training with MyBnk. They will be supervised by Mr Abdullah and Mr Ogbe.

Mybnk will be situated in PE1. It will be open every Tuesday from 1.15pm to 1.50pm.

Students can open accounts with just 20p and are encouraged to start a 'Savings Challenge'

Mr T. Ogbe (Business and Enterprise Subject Leader)

Author Visit – Dan Freedman

On Wednesday 15 December the author Dan Freedman visited the Academy.

Dan talked to all of our Year 7 students about his career as a sports journalist and why he decided to become an author.

After the talk, the Year 7 students who have borrowed the most books in the autumn term were rewarded with a writing workshop led by Dan.

Dan spent lunchtime in the Learning Resource Centre answering questions and signing books.



Author Dan Freedman meeting a Year 7 student

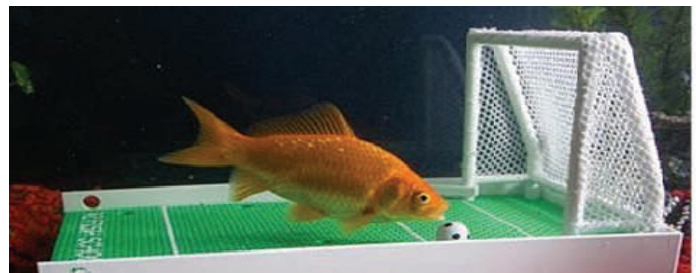
The Year 7 students who attended the writing workshop were: **7A** Julieanne Littlechild, Alyssa Maravilla, Molly Tollady, Ajel Webb. **7B** Zara Saleem. **7C** Roland Bodzasi Kai Tooley. **7D** Nasteha Muhammad Jay Ocuneff .

7E Husnain, Akhtar Maryam, Javed Olamide Ogunyoye **7F** Ahtisham Ahmed, Khain Cooke, Ayana Hameso, Guy O'Neill, Cayle Peynado, Zheni Spasova and Daniel Tamasauskas.

Ms K Barker (LRC)

ULT Science – 'there is a fishy challenge'

On the 15 March students from Year 7, 8, and 9 will participate in a challenge to demonstrate their ability to train one or more goldfish to 'play football, slalom, basketball or limbo dance'. This will be videoed and shown at the event in March, after which the students will take part in a brain dissection. The challenge is to help develop understanding of how behavioural patterns of one type of living organ-



ism can be used to train it, and to be able to explain the science behind learned behaviours. Brianna McEwan in Year 7 says, she is "excited" about the challenge ahead

with teaching the fish to do so many tricks, against other academies.

Dr D. Srikanthan (2nd I/C Science)

Funding for STEM Club

Walthamstow Academy had been invited to join the Engineering Engagement Project (EEnP), managed by the Royal Academy of Engineering, and obtained a £200 grant for activities con-

ducted in STEM club (science, engineering, technology and maths). This will allow teachers to have access to tools related for engineering projects. Also students will work with trained engi-

neering ambassadors during STEM club using resources developed by EEnP.

Dr D. Srikanthan (2nd I/C Science)

Girls 6-a-side Football

Throughout the autumn term girls from Walthamstow Academy took part in a 6-a-side football competition.

The team representing Year 7 & 8 came fifth out of thirteen whilst the Year 9 & 10 girls came fourth out of twelve.



Well Done to Amber Murray, Britnee McEwan, Shani Fairweather, Nicola Robinson, Meriam Benaichouche, Grace Ogunyoye, Katie Nutt, Carla Battye, Courtney Patient, Bethan Murray, Molly Crane, Shanice Clark, Gloria Asante, Tenisha Small, Ella Dacres. Paige Powers, Sabrina Bouhafs, Su'Di Khalif, Salma Rebbouh, Madjel Makanda and Clarice Ward.

Year 8 Basketball Team Unbeaten Start

The Year 8 basketball team have made excellent progress in the borough competition.

They have recorded a 37-8 win against Highams Park, a 24-16 win over Chingford and triumphed 36-14 over Rushcroft. This means they have progressed through to the semi-finals much to the delight of their coach Mr Matthews.

We wish the team Keanu Lovelace, Peace Azuninye, Danyal Malik, Teriq Roberts-Wright, Kadell Symmons,



The Year 8 Basketball Team

Jai Harvey, Kayne Hamilton, Jack Clayton, Rojief Carr, Sohrab Sediqi and Chad Morris.

Regular Dinner iPod Winner

During the Autumn term the Academy caterers, Brookwood, ran a competition to win an iPod Touch.

Students were eligible for the prize draw if they purchased a complete meal for fifteen consecutive days between 29 Novem-

ber and 10 December.

There were twenty students who qualified and the winner was Amari Brown from Year 7.

Amari was presented with his iPod Touch by the catering manager Ruth Allen.



Coaching Awards

Nine Year 12 and 13 students gained a level 1 coaching Tag Rugby award in early December. The event was run by *Coach England* and allows our students to support Mr Miller in primary schools throughout the year.

Well done to Sedar Keya, Adnan Shakoor, Daniel Moore, Ashfaqali Joomunbaccus, Thomas Cox, Adrian Mateescu, Esther Yaro, Mark Matthews and Adam Wheeler who all received a certificate and resource pack.

Mr Chris Miller (SSCo)

Fundraising

The Academy had a busy Autumn term raising money for charity.

The *Wear it Pink* day raised £278.20 for the Breast Cancer Campaign.

The Christmas Cake Raffle & *Wear it Christmassy* day for Project Peru raised £200. Congratulations to Cherryrose Crane (8C) who won the Christmas cake.

£330 worth of friendship bracelets and finger puppets were sold during lunch times.

Forthcoming events: The Year 9 disco in January will be in aid of The British Red Cross.

More events to come this term! Thank you for your support – let's keep raising!

Academic Reports: Years 7, 8 and 10 were sent home on 14 Jan Year 11 were collected on 20 Jan
Years 9 will be available at Parents' Evening on February 3rd

AUTUMN AWARDS 2010

Yr 7 English Melissa Cleary Tomma Kibartaite Megan Wilson Tariq Sorhaindo **Maths** Tomma Kibartaite Farhan Ali Grace Mustafa Kudzai Magure Geography Tomma Kibartaite Banke Adeniyi **Science** Hristo Slavov Kai Tooley Georgia Sullivan Stephanie Swettenham Gorazd Sumkovski **History** Alyssa Maravilla Beatrice Palade **RE** Myah Baird Elias Martin **Art** Jordan Stansbury Kyle Rattray Roland Bodzasi **Christmas Card** Paulina Safonavate Humza Awan **Design Tech(Food)** Molly Tol-lady **Design Tech** Leina Hacham Hamza Awan **Music** Torelle Stanford Kaydean Beaupierre Grace Mustafa **Music(Choir)** Adhy Makanda Katarzyna Szczur Ikrah Dawood Sandra Saburaite Tariq Sorhaindo Sarah Ninga **Business** Bailey Cox Roland Bodzasi **French** Scott Paterson Rayma Risquest Tomma Kibartaite **ICT** Nezliya Muhara Sean Richardson **Drama** Scott Paterson Yovani Cunningham Sherwin Holder Grace Mustafa **PE** Sabrina Bouhafs Jordan Stansbury **PSHRE** Torelle Stand-ford Karin Mouhon **Fantasy Football** Jordan Christostomou **Learning Manager** Hristo Slavov Alyssa Maravilla **Tutor A** Sa-kariye Abdillahi Georgina King **Tutor B** Sabrina Bouhafs Faaeq Mohammed-Faizal **Tutor C** Kane Bartlett Jayden Atkins **Tu-tor D** Hristo Slavov Tomma Kibartaite **Tutor E** Sherwin Holder Natalie Toro Salazar **Tutor F** Zheni Spasova Ahmadyar Mughal **Yr 8 English** Carla Kirkwood Amber Tamcken Vinoth Chandrasegaram Cristian Gherghinel **Maths** Curtis Murraym Rebecca Wiggins Shagofa Qhadamzadah **Science** Sepitha Uthayachanthiran Hannah Lacey-Rae Meryam Benaichouche Joseph Wilson **Design Tech** Vinoth Chandrasegaram Joseph Wilson **Design Tech(Food)** Jimmy Martin **Drama** Abdelrahim Boutaghou Bethany Davis **Business** Aqsa Bibi Erika Correa **Geography** Molly Cartlidge James Dowling **History** Joshua Omolu-Gomes Corey Brown **French** Raheemah Sadiq Meryam Benaichouche Sheharyar Mughal **Spanish** Rebecca Wig-gins Aqsa Bibi **ICT** Curtis Murray Reece Lindsay **Music** Zoe Onatoye Jamie Dowling **Music Special** Diamond Ogunbadej **Art** Rebecca Wiggins Raheem Khan Bethany Davies Carla Kirkwood Berfin Tunc Callum Partridge Elias Khenouche Char-lies Hawkes Abdul Sufan **PE** Maryem Benaichouche Jack Clayton **RE** Camron Jean Klodian Rexha **Environment** Lee Eldon Klodian Rexha Mustafa Ahmet Muse Ali Joshua Omolu-Gomes Nasim Khan Callum Partridge Simeon Nelson Thomas Young Reece Taylor **Fantasy Football** Mushrif Nasser Steven Nobrega **Learning Manager** Keanu Lovelace Nicola Robin-son **Tutor A** Yasir Kayani Aymane Ekholta **Tutor B** Rebecca Wiggins Sheharyar Mughal **Tutor C** Danyal Malik Cherryrose Crane **Tutor D** Nikki Eley Murat Kalayci **Tutor E** Harry Smith Paris Middleweek **Tutor F** Aqsa Bibi Jonas Erbonas **Yr 9 Eng-lish** Anis Kasim Sayeda Bukhari Waheed Kazemi Naomi Tomlinson **Maths** Abdellah El Hassani-Alaoui Raj Sriskandarajah Iyaz Butt Diana Valaitye Justice Aroun-Maxwell David Sheppard Robert Penfold **Geography** Ashleigh Killin Adam Tracy-**Science** Mayha Salim Sakina Kapasi Tayler Levy Jack Auchinachie Abdul-Moize Mahmood **History** Abdellah El Hassani-Alaoui Ashleigh Killin **Music** Kieran Cooke Hannah Alexander **Drama** Sujitha Thavaselvam Iyaz Butt Morton Tooley Elizabeth Roffey **Business** Aaliyah Coley-Lawrence Iyaz Butt **French** Iyaz Butt Zarreena Brown Mahya Salim **Spanish** Bruna De Pina Araujo Iqra Jamil **Art** Anthony Dyson Natasha Walsh **Textiles** Justice Aroun-Maxwell Haleema Anjum Salma Rebbouh Re-becca Cain Kelcye Brown **Graphics** Aaron Sonny Karima Choudhury Sakina Kapasi Tayler Levy **ICT** Victoria Burder Mert Ercan **Design Tech-Food** Ruk Krasniqi Melissa Aslan **Product Design** Justice Aroun-Maxwell Hayder Morsel **PE** Justice Aroun-Maxwell Kyron Webb **RE** Kieran Cooke Natasha Walsh **Fantasy Football** Ben Clarkson **Learning Manger** Hayder Morsel Bruna De Pina Araujo **Tutor A** Eboni Senior George Abrahams **Tutor B** Bruna De Pina Araujo Hayder Morsel **Tutor C** George Surridge Kiran Ali **Tutor D** Jay Richards Ayuub Hassan Hasan Raja **Tutor E** Micah Martin Adina Mihaila **Tutor F** Precious Azuinye Praveena Kanapathypillai **Yr 10 English** Lewis Jacobs Fatima Ojeerally Sam Flewitt Gentian Rexha Ajethan Navaraynasingan **Maths** Alinur Yusuf Patience Azuinye Idele Amade Arantxa Francis **Science** Alex Lotz **History** Firdus Javeed Alinur Yusuf **Geography** Alexandr Kozlov Iliyasu Garnvwa **Art** Jaime Voong Alex Lotz **Graphics** Ajethan Navaratnasingham Corey Small Shana Smithmattis **Christmas Card** Naomi Nemeth Jaime Voong **Tex-tiles** Nilima Munbodth Rebecca Cain **Product Design** Razeqa Ahmadi Nuriya McFarlane **Catering** Gentian Rexha Andre Brown **Hairdressing** Leanna Gale Shani Banton **French** Charlotte Dowling Amber Murray **Spanish** Lukaz Szymborski Mark Ceballo **Drama** Amock Tembo Nathan Johnson Delano Nnamdi-Johnston Sintshia Ramazani **ICT** Ronaldo Foster Alex Lotz Renee Gardner Kyle Hamilton Ajethan Navaratsingham Lewis Jacobs **Business** Mustafa Tunc Mariam Khan **PE** Patience Azuinye Yudong Chen **RE** Zilehuma Sadiq Rebekah Grant **Music** Cohen Woods Renee Gardner **H&SC** Zeynep Bakir Geor-gia Lacey-Rae **Environment** Gentian Rexha Tharsan Jeganathan Nishant Yogovadivel **Fantasy Football** Connor Gardner Malek Lounis-Malek Keanu Rattray **Learning Manager** Alex Lotz Santana McKenzie **Tutor A** Shanel Thornton Billy Clayton **Tutor B** Safia Iqbal Amari Pitter **Tutor C** Alex Lotz Santana McKenzie **Tutor D** Jerome Carter Alex Kozlov **Tutor E** Hadhar Gul Firdus Javeed **Tutor F** Mariam Khan Nathan Johnson **Yr 11 English** James Fahey Ayesha Taylor-Camara Kira-Jayden Matthews Sintshia Ramazani **Maths** Kalid Karim Ahmed Yusuf Aisha Nur Harry Littlechild Asad Tahir Maleehah Ali Mohamed Hamud Abukar Hassan **Science** Sajeendran Sivakunmar Arusa Malik Aroog Haroon Kahina Beggache Ayaan Osman **His-tory** Kira-Jayden Matthews Jalika Njie **Geography** Chay Preston Ayesha Taylor-Camara **Art and Textiles** Charlotte Biagioni Sam Matthews Kaya Seyhan Rayah Munn **Christmas Card** Charlotte Biagioni **Product Design** Kahina Beggache Rizwan Khawaja **French** Jalika Njie Ayaan Osman Faadhil Guness **Drama** Josh Abbott Shakira Austrie Andrai Small **ICT** Iqbal Has-san Chay Preston Jalike Njie **Business** Shams Gulrahman Ayaan Osman **PE** Andrai Small Riaz Hedayat **Music** Jacob Weekes Charlotte Biagioni **Special Music** Layla Ley **H&SC** Moriah Johnson Aisha Nur **Fantasy Football** Jacob Weekes **Learning Manager** Shams Gulrahman Arusa Malik **Tutor A** Shams Gulrahman Seyhan Kaya **Tutor B** Faisal Sedeqi Serayah Austrie **Tutor C** Charelle Pitter Naser Daoud **Tutor D** Moriah Johnson Aaron Wilson **Tutor E** Layla Ley Andrai Small **Yr 12 English** Imran Ali Muna Hamud **Maths** Ifrah Ali Naser Yussuf **Psychology** Mahnoor Butt Ben Williams James McKivett **Sociology** Muna Hamud **Science** Ifrah Ali Mahnoor Butt Noelle Zermane **Chemistry** Ben Williams Noelle Zermane **History** Peter Eades Imran Ali **ICT** Razvan Druga Aisha Hussain Muna Hamud Ashfaq Joombascus **Drama** Connor Cullen Sara Ferreira Adnan Shakoor **Business** Naser Yussuf Aisha Anjum **Fantasy Football** Adnan Shakoor **Special** Moigan Sadegh **Learning Manager** Desmond Peprah **Tutor A** Peter Eades Daniel Moore **Tutor B** Tacita Bugnath Desmond Peprah **Tutor C** Mahnoor Butt Ben Williams Munira Pirzada **Yr 13 English** Winton Beadle Ghatoul Sedeqi **Maths** James McKivett Hunza Butt **Psychology** Robert Druga Hunza Butt Mark Matthews **Sociology AS** Henry Akonor Ephraim Akoto Derrick Karinzi **Sociology A2** Ghatoul Sedeqi Ayse Colak Serdar Avcin Zainab Iqbal Kevin Mumbere Jesse Manful **Science** Marzuq Patel Raifa Rafiq Jhamani Jackson **History** Zainab Iqbal Wynton Beadle **Art** Atinuke Phillips Razvan Druga **Drama** Serdar Avcin Ieva Drazdauskaite **Business** Rukiye Kepil Ruke Nezej