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Newsround



22nd
September
2017

Ashcroft

Cricket Star!

Our own Maddie Blinkhorn-Jones in 10T4 has been featured in the Wandsworth Guardian for her excellent cricketing skills. Here is what the Wimbledon Guardian had to say:

'A 14-year-old has racked up a club record partnership for her Earlsfield cricket team alongside a former professional player.

Maddie Blinkhorn-Jones and ex-India player Deepa

Spencer CC Women's 1st XI against Guildford CC on Sunday, August 20. They put on 304-2 against the Guildford team.

The team are in the running for title at the Women's Southern Championship, which will finish on September 3.

Man-of-the-match Blinkhorn-Jones scored an unbeaten 117 off 131 balls, and Patel scored 171 off 130 balls.'

Well done, Maddie - keep up the excellent work.



Wimbledon
Guardian.co.uk

Exam Results 2017

A level 41% A*-A
74% A*-B

IB 100% Pass rate
Average points 36

BTEC 100% Distinction*

"An outstanding Sixth Form"
Ofsted 2015



Ashcroft
Technology
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Sixth Form Open Evening

Thursday 5 October 6.20-8.00pm

Shape your future

You are warmly invited to learn more about our outstanding Sixth Form

Principal and Head Student Address at 6.30pm

An extensive programme of A levels, the International Baccalaureate Diploma and BTEC National in Performing Arts





ATA Chess Club

The ATA chess club is up and running on Thursday lunchtimes. There is great enthusiasm with students of all years. Take a look at some of the pictures of these young chess masters.

R Shastan - Science



Over the last three years, most of the uncooked food waste from ATA canteen has ended up every week, not in a conventional bin, but in one of two compost bins which are located in the garden area next to West Hill (see picture). Some of our fallen autumn leaves have also ended up in the mix. There the organic material is broken down mainly by earthworms (Scientific name Lumbricus). They just need a small regular amount of water, air and shelter to do this.

It is estimate that our current bin would contain about 1000 worms in one pound of matter and so about 100,000 worms in total. Composting with worms gives a convenient way to recycle organic waste, saving space in landfills, which is good for the environment. The process takes about a year in our garden producing excellent compost full of nutrients for our planters and greenhouse and helping to keep us producing fruit and vegetables such as the tomatoes from our greenhouse (see picture).

Dr Brickley - Science

ATA Horticultural Society



25 Sixth Form Information Evening
6:30-7.30

27 Year 8 HPV immunisations.
(Make sure consent forms are back)
Short sleeved blouses if available

Sixth Form Information Evening

Parents/carers of our Year 12 students are warmly invited to an information evening on Monday 25 September, 6.20pm – 7.30pm. During the evening you will learn more about Sixth Form life at ATA and you will have an opportunity to ask questions and speak with members of our Sixth Form Management Team. We will provide important information regarding our expectations of Year 12 students, with a particular focus on homework/independent study, attendance/punctuality, work ethic/effort and assessment.

We look forward to welcoming you on Monday.

A Chadda – Assistant Principal

Year 11 - Community Languages

Dear Parent/Guardian,

It may be possible for your daughter/son to be considered to be entered for GCSE/AS/A2 Level summer 2018 for one of the languages below. This is because s/he has stated that s/he can already speak and write fluently in this language.

The Languages Department will only be able to offer specification advice on the relevant exams. It is unable to provide specific language coaching and with this in mind, it will be solely down to the student/parent to thoroughly prepare himself/herself in the skills required for each component of the exam.

If your daughter/son already has a GCSE in the language, we may consider her/his sitting an AS in the summer. The GCSE is only on offer to students in Year 11 and AS/A2 in Years 12 & 13.

Languages on offer at GCSE/A level are:

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|--------|-----------|---------|---------|---------|---------|----------|
| Arabic | Russian | Chinese | Italian | Persian | Spanish | Gujarati |
| Urdu | Portugese | Dutch | Polish | Turkish | German | Bengali |

If you would like your son or daughter to be considered for GCSE/A level, please email me directly on paulette.kavanagh@ashcroftacademy.org.uk by Friday 13th October 2017.

P Kavanagh - CM for MFL

Attendance Expectations & Reminders

Parents and Carers must call the absence line before 8:00 am to report student absence. Lately, we have been getting too many cases of parents/carers forgetting to call or not attempting to make contact. This is not acceptable.

Parents and Carers are required to provide their child's name, tutor group and they must leave a clear explanation as to why their child is absent from school. Absences must be reported by an adult. Any message left by a child will not be accepted and will count as truancy. Simply saying things like "unwell," "fever" and "temperature" will not be accepted as valid explanations so it is important you provide specific details as to your child's condition.

Parents/carers reporting an absence via the absence line will not necessarily authorise the absence. Medical evidence will be required. In cases of unauthorised absences and truancy, your child will face a sanction and you will be notified accordingly.

Please continue to support the Academy by encouraging your child to attend as regularly as possible. Should your child feel unwell at the Academy, we have a Welfare Officer in place to support.

Reminders about Ashcroft Technology Academy's attendance expectations can be found online in the Attendance Policy.

Thank you to all parents and carers for your support.

Katie Salisbury - Education Welfare and Attendance Officer



Music Tuition Service – a reminder.

Students are reminded to check their private music lesson times every week on the board outside the Performing Arts office as these may change. Parents/guardians, please check your emails for any contact from your son/daughter's private music teacher.

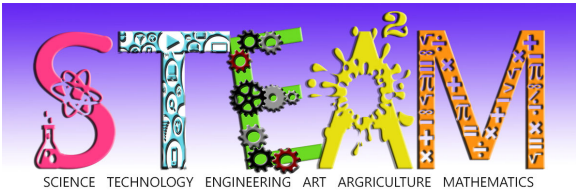
H Di Bartolo

CM for Performing Arts

The Vocab Express competition takes place Thursday 28th September- Wednesday 4th October. The Vocab Express competition is a world-wide competition that year 7-11 will take part in. Students will be able to complete the competition in up to 14 different languages. They will compete against themselves and against other schools both nationally and internationally to win prizes. There will be some prizes available from MFL for students with top scores! Students should be aiming to score as many points as possible from Thursday to Wednesday both at home and at school. Bonne chance tout le monde!

Thank you

S Lazell - MFL



STEAM Club is back with a bang.

All sections of the STEAM club were back in action this week, featured below are quotes from a number of teachers involved in STEAM club.

Well done to the Year 7 students who had their first STEAM Club session today. Year 7 STEAMMies learned about the geometry of Islamic tiles and tessellation of hexagons. The students started their hexagonal designs using nothing but a ruler, pencil and compass. We look forward to seeing their colourful designs next week so can begin rolling out the slabs of clay for our tiles!

Year 8 Mega Maths STEAM club were looking at the Maths of Rollercoasters with their 6th Form ambassadors. While not strictly a rollercoaster, their first investigation was to see how financially viable the London Eye was and whether it was a good decision to keep it going – a great use of Maths if you want to start up your own business!

Year 9 competed against each other today in a language game where they had to communicate with each other but could not use some utterly unmentionable words (taboo words). This was an excellent starting point to explore how communication gets impaired when our usual linguistic code gets disrupted because of the introduction of new rules.

The expansion of the STEAM Enrichment Programme at ATA saw the launch of the Year 10 STEAM Academia this week. Our STEAM scholars looked at current medical research pedagogy on the theme of stress - identifying causes of stress, how stress may be positive in propelling a person forward towards progress but also how it may be negative in creating a block to that progress, and studied the effects of stress on the physiology of the human body with particular focus on the symptoms of chronic inflammation.

Praise is due for our newly recruited Sixth Form STEAM Ambassadors also. The students listed have been assigned to the various STEAM Club sessions with Years 7,8,9 and to the STEAM Academia session with Year 10.

They supported the STEAM staff with the leadership and delivery of their sessions and demonstrated fantastic team working and communication skills.



- These include:
- Marcos Abreu Costa 13T5
 - Imtiyaz Ahmed 13T3
 - Isaac Balbolia 12T1
 - Adedayo Bashorun 12T5
 - Aya Hussein 12T2
 - Adna Isse 13T1
 - Awes Mubarak 13T5
 - Vishal Muralie 13T1
 - Syed-Ali Raza 13T5
 - Danay Solomon 12T3
 - Yusra Suhail 12T2
 - Lucas Williams 12T5

Well Done! 3

Extra Curricular...



Maths Homework Support Club

KS3 – Wednesday Lunchtimes – E211
KS4 – Monday Lunchtimes – E315/316

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When
Start Thursday 21st September 2017
1:15-1:45pm

Who
School Year 7-9

Where
School Sports Hall

Hurry!
Limited space
this season

PRICE
N/A

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STEAM²

September 2017
applications
now open



STEAM CLUB
Years 7, 8 and 9

STEAM ACADEMIA
Year 10

SIXTH FORM STEAM
Ambassadors

See Ms Khan in Science to collect an application form.



| | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | Multi-choice menu |
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| 1 | Chicken & Sweetcorn Lasagne with Garlic Bread Vegetable Quesadilla | Sausages & Onions, Potato Wedges Vegetable Layer Pie | Beef Curry and Rice Veggie Mince Pitta Bread and Salad | Roast Lamb and Roast Potatoes Cauliflower Cheese | Homemade Tuna Fish Cake with Potato Wedges Vegetable Pasta Bake | MEAL DEAL Choose a hot meal from Option 1 plus something from Options 2 or 5 Choose a soup from Option 2 plus something from Options 3 or 4 or 5 Choose a sandwich from Option 4 plus something from Options 2 or 5 Choose the Salad Bar option plus something from Options 2 or 5 |
| | Stone Baked Pizza Jacket Potato | Pasta King Jacket Potato | Chicken Joe's Wrap Jacket Potato | Pasta King Jacket Potato | Chicken Joe's Wrap Jacket Potato | |
| | Green Beans and Salad | Baked Beans or Macedoine | Broccoli and Sweetcorn | Carrots and Cabbage | Salad and Peas/Sweetcorn | |
| 2 | Thai Butternut Soup | Pea and Mint Soup | Tomato and Basil Soup | Minestrone Soup | Vegetable Soup | |
| 3 | Salad Bar (small bowl with multi choice) | Salad Bar (small bowl with multi choice) | Salad Bar (small bowl with multi choice) | Salad Bar (small bowl with multi choice) | Salad Bar (small bowl with multi choice) | |
| 4 | Any sandwich (max price £1.50) | Any sandwich (max price £1.50) | Any sandwich (max price £1.50) | Any sandwich (max price £1.50) | Any sandwich (max price £1.50) | |
| 5 | Fresh Fruit Salad | Fruit Sponge and Custard | Fruit Gateaux | Apple Pie and Custard | Selection of Cold Desserts | |
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