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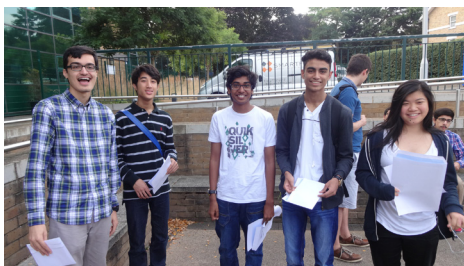
Keeping parents and students informed

Term 1 Letter 1 Friday 09 September 2016

Our best ever exam results

Our students, parents and staff celebrated the incredible exam results achieved by our hardworking students in their GCSE, A level and IB examinations this summer.

The Academy's Year 11 students achieved excellent results with over 30% of all grades awarded at A* or A and over 80% achieving 5 or more subjects A*-C including English and Maths. Student, Jumana Jung achieved 11 A*s across the board in all her subjects and Freya Lewis was not far behind with 10 straight A*s and 1 A grade.



Our Year 13 students achieved equally impressive results with 86% of all grades awarded at A*-C and an average point score per student of 990. This year four students will be pursuing their degrees at the University of Cambridge and one student at the University of Oxford. For the past 4 years Ashcroft Sixth Form has won the Wandsworth Pupil Achievement Award which publicly recognises the successes of the Sixth Form. Students taking all programmes of study in the Sixth Form performed substantially above local and national statistics. We are particularly pleased with our sustained success with students making outstanding progress.

We are so proud of them all. The Academy's environment is one which encourages hard work and ambition, in which a disciplined approach, combined with high expectations, provides students with the determination and motivation to succeed. Our Year 11 and Year 13 cohort have certainly succeeded beyond expectations. In this context we would like to welcome a strong Year 12 into the sixth form and we look forward to working with our new Year 11 to help and support them to achieve their best and work on sixth form subject combinations in the near future.



It's showtime!

We are pleased to announce that this year's whole school musical production will be the wonderful 'Wizard of Oz' to be staged in the Spring.

Students who want to walk 'the yellow brick road' can attend the auditions below:

Monday 12 September - 4.30pm in Room F216

Information for students wishing to audition/get involved in lighting/sound or who have questions about the production process (with exception of Year 11 and 13).

Monday 19 September - 3.15pm in Room F216.

Auditions for Year 7, 8 and 9.

Tuesday 20 September - 4.30pm in F216

Auditions for Years 10 and 12

STEM becomes STEAM

STEM Club will return this year revamped as STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Maths). We have 11 staff involved from across the STEAM faculties and the various projects that will run this year will be very exciting indeed (more information to follow in due course).




We already have our Years 8-9 cohorts ready and waiting and are now looking forward to recruiting the Year 7 'steamies'. Club sessions will run separately for each year group.

sQuid

The sQuid Card Services have issued unique registration details for all new students at the Academy.

Parents should soon be in receipt of a letter with their unique code and all the information required to register with squid and start using the online system to credit your son/daughter's mealcard, and pay for trips.

Any queries on the operation of the sQuid system, should be directed to Mrs Nicky Campbell through our main contact number 0208 877 0357.



Ashcroft Technology Academy

An invitation to all parents of prospective September 2017 Year 7 students to our

OPEN EVENING

Tuesday 13 September 2016
from 6.00pm to 8.00pm

Principal's welcome at 6.00pm and 7.00pm
Doors will open at 5.40pm

OPEN MORNINGS

Thursday 15 September 2016, 9.00-11.00am
Monday 19 September 2016, 9.00-11.00am

Open Morning spaces are limited and by appointment only, please email or telephone to book.

Come along to find out about the excellent facilities at our Outstanding Academy

Preparing students for the 21st century

The Academy Prospectus will be available for all open events.
Ashcroft Technology Academy, 100 West Hill, London SW15 2UT
Telephone : 020 8877 0357 Website: www.ashcroftacademy.org.uk
Email: admissions@ashcroftacademy.org.uk
Applications for the Aptitude Test should be returned to Ashcroft Technology Academy by 16 September 2016

Open Evening

Our second Open Evening for Year 7 admissions in September 2017 takes place next week.

Students who have volunteered to represent the Academy in subject areas or as tour guides are asked to be on site by 5.30pm at the latest, in full uniform, and register their arrival with the appropriate subject teacher or Mr Mitchell if a tour guide.

All volunteer students must have a signed permission note from parents and arrange to be collected at 8.00pm, especially our new Year 7 students.

Dropping off and Picking up Students by car

Can we ask those parents who drop off or collect their son/daughter from school to be considerate when parking along Portinscale Road. Please do not park across residents driveways or double park, please drive carefully and watch out for students coming out between cars to cross the road. Try and be kind to the environment and turn your engine off whilst you are waiting. Be aware that this road and the roads surrounding the school are Permit Holder bays or Parking Zones which are therefore privy to pay and display rules - parking attendants do patrol the area regularly!

Yoga is back

Yoga classes will continue with Agata from Monday 12 September 2016 from 17:15 to 18:15 in Gym . All are welcome - £10 per session.

Some physical benefits of yoga include: increased flexibility; increased muscle strength and tone; improved respiration, energy and vitality; maintaining a balanced metabolism; weight reduction; cardio and circulatory health; improved athletic performance; protection from injury.



	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
1	Chicken Jalfrezi Vegetable Moussaka	Chicken and Sweetcorn Lasagne Vegetable Quiche	Pasta Bolognese with Garlic Bread Vegetable Chilli	Roast Chicken and Roast Potatoes Vegetable Shepherd's Pie	Fish Cake with Potato Wedges Macaroni Cheese
	Pasta King Jacket Potato	Stone Baked Pizza Jacket Potato	Chicken Joes Wrap Jacket Potato	Pasta King Jacket Potato	Chicken Joes Wrap Jacket Potato
	Sweetcorn and Carrots	Salad and Peas	Broccoli and Macedoine	Carrots and Cabbage	Salad and Peas/Sweetcorn
2	Carrot and Coriander Soup	Vegetable and Watercress Soup	Rocket and Courgette Soup	Lentil 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	Oaty Apple Crumble and Custard	Pancake with Mousse	Jam & Coconut Sponge and Custard	Pineapple Upside Down Sponge with Custard	Chocolate Chip Sponge and Chocolate Sauce
	Fresh Fruit Selection of small cold Desserts	Fresh Fruit Selection of small cold Desserts	Fresh Fruit Selection of small cold Desserts	Fresh Fruit Selection of small cold Desserts	Fresh Fruit Selection of Cakes and Biscuits
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Multi-choice menu

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



Book Buzz

Every year in Term 1, Year 7 students are offered a free book which they are able to take home to keep. We hope this will encourage them to read more and lead to a close relationship with our LRC where they can borrow many more titles including books to help them in their studies.

There are twelve titles to choose from:



The books are currently on display in LRC1 for Year 7 students to view at break, lunchtime or after school to help make their choice.

Form tutors will be handing out a bookmark for students to make their choice – put your name and form on the front and a tick next to the book you would like. Once you have made your choice please hand in your book mark to your form tutor by Thursday 22 September 2016. Happy reading!

Year 8 HPV Immunisations

The first of the two HPV immunisations for female students will take place during the morning of Wednesday 28 September.

Consent forms have been issued and should be returned to Mrs Williams, our Welfare Office, completed and signed as soon as possible, even if it is a negative consent.

Meal Deal (Option 1 + 2 or 5) £2.15 students/£2.36 staff **Main Meal only £1.83 students/£2 staff**

Lunch rota for next week

1st sitting Year 11/7 — 1.05 2nd sitting Year 10 — 1.15 3rd sitting Year 9 — 1.25 4th sitting Year 8 — 1.35

Clubs and activities

We have a plethora of clubs and activities that students can participate in, some are run during the lunch period and some are after school on a Monday. A more detailed club list will be issued shortly on our website but in the meantime we are publishing the Performing Arts club list for those interested in music and drama and for the more sporty student, the PE club list.

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PERFORMING ARTS DEPARTMENT



Enrichment Timetable 2016-17

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Lunch time (1.20pm – 1.50pm)	Scholarship Band Music Scholars only Mr Chadda – F204	Page to Stage Drama Group All year groups – F216 Miss Britten & Miss Smith Orchestra All year groups Miss Di Bartolo – F201	One Voice Choir open to all year groups Mr Chadda – F204 Advanced Collective Invited musicians only Miss Di Bartolo – F201	The Platform Miss Britten – F216	Production band rehearsal (Nov-Feb only) Mr Chadda & Miss Di Bartolo – F204 Music Technology Club All year groups – F204 Mr Hewitt
After school	Production rehearsal All cast & crew 3.15pm – 5.30pm - F216 (Oct-Feb only)			Step into Dance All year groups 4.30pm – 5.30pm - F216	Production rehearsal All cast & crew 3.15pm – 5.30pm - F216 (Oct-Feb only)

PE DEPARTMENT

TERM 1 CLUBS

	Before School	Lunchtime	After School
Mon	Fitness Session – Miss Despins	Cardio Fitness Suite – Mr Dooley Weights Fitness Suite – Mr George Cricket – Mr Keith/Mr Rowe Girls Basketball – Miss Despins	Football – Mr Keith/Mr Carroll Netball – Mrs Ward Mixed Rugby- Miss Despins Duke of Edinburgh- Mr Dooley
Tues	Fitness Session – Mr Keith	Dodgeball – Mrs Ward Ultimate Frisbee – Miss Despins Dodgeball – Mrs Ward Badminton – Mr Keith	Introduction to the art of Jiu jitsu – the taster sessions - Mr Wandt
Wed	Fitness Session – Mr Dooley	Basketball – Mr Keith Weights Fitness Suite – Mr George Table Tennis – Mr Mensah/Mr Stenning Cardio Room- Miss Despins Girls Nike Training Club- Mrs Ward	Girls Football- Ms Godfrey
Thurs	Fitness Session – Mrs Ward Basketball- Mr Dooley	Cardio Fitness Suite – Mrs Ward Benchball- Miss Despins Dodgeball – Mr Dooley	Fitness – Mrs Ward GCSE Catch-up- Mrs Ward
Fri	Fitness Session – Mrs Ward Running Club- Mr Dooley	Cycle Fit (cardio room)- Mr Dooley Volleyball- Mr Keith Weights Fitness Suite – Mr George Uni-Hoc- Miss Despins	