

Well done to Ted Xiong who achieved a top 30 place of all students in the UK after competing in the UK Junior Maths Olympiad and Kangaroo events in June. This a great achievement, well done Ted!



# NewsRound

Keeping parents and students informed

Term 5 Letter 6 Friday 15 July 2016



## Fun Run Assembly

We held a superb assembly this week when we invited a representative from the Royal Hospital for Neuro-disability to come along to receive a cheque for money raised through our recent Fun Run.

We selected a big selection of photos and put together a fun video of the runners as they neared the finish line. This can be viewed on our website on the home page with the Fun Run news picture icon.

Certificates and Hero chocolates were presented to the fastest runners in each year category along with a goodie bag donated by the Wandle Recreation Centre. A certificate was also awarded to Lashae Johnson-Duncan who individually raised a tremendous £255.

In total, thanks to everyone's support with sponsorship, we were delighted to present a cheque for a whopping

**£ £5263.89**

The money will be used to enhance the quality of life for the long term patients in the RHN and I am sure you feel proud to have supported your son/daughter, as we do, in this worthwhile cause.

To finish off a successful Fun Run this year there will be a Mufti Day on Friday 22 July when, for a donation of £1, students can leave their uniform at home and come to school in their ordinary clothes. This will be in aid of the RHN and hopefully will raise enough to top up the total to £6000.



## Year 8 Ypres trip

Once again Year 8 students enjoyed an excellent trip to the WW1 battlefields of the Ypres salient in Belgium last Friday. This enabled the students to develop a deeper understanding of this time in our history and what it was like to fight on the front line. The trip included professional tour guides who know so much about this era that it brings another dimension to their knowledge learnt in class.

The trip included tours of the many cemeteries still maintained today by Belgium people - the Perth China Wall Cemetery, the German Langemarck Military Cemetery and the British Tyne Cot Cemetery. To further their understanding during a visit to the Passchendaele Museum the students were able to handle equipment, weaponry and uniforms from this war and experience trench life first hand.



Of course, whilst in Belgium, the opportunity also existed to look around the quaint shops of Ypres town and make a bee-line for one of the many chocolate shops.

As evening fell the group looked upon the Last Post Ceremony at Menin Gate to join in a ceremony that has taken place every day since the end of the war - a very poignant moment for them to reflect on the significance of the war.

The students all remained focused all throughout a long day and asked a great range of probing and thoughtful questions. A great cohort of budding Historians and a credit to the Academy!

## Sports Days

Despite trying to dodge the frequent showers this week, each year group from Year 7-10 spent a morning or afternoon participating in their year sports day.

Some sporting activities took place at school such as Football, Assault Course race, Rounders and Dodgeball whilst field and track events took place at our external sports site 'Openview' in Earlsfield.

We saw some great efforts in the 100 and 200 hurdles and powerful throwing in the shot putt and javelin events. The Year 8 boys' Relay final was an exciting race with Challenger House beating Discovery just by a whisker.

Mohamed Nour, our star Year 9 athlete did very well in his events - perhaps a Team GB athlete of the future. We must applaud all the students for competing so admirably ignoring torrential showers at times.



## Duke of Edinburgh Award

Last weekend saw our DoE Bronze award contenders take their final assessment which involved navigating round a 21k route in the Surrey countryside, preparing their own meals in the open and setting up tents for an overnight stay.

Accompanied by staff the group did survive the great outdoors and find their way to the campsite and to their pick up point the next day.





### Uniform Shop

If you need to purchase new uniform or PE kit the uniform shop will be open during the summer break at the following times by appointment only.

Monday 24 and Tuesday 25 July from 9am-12.00 noon  
 Monday 01 and Tuesday 02 August from 9am-12 noon  
 Monday 08 and Tuesday 09 August from 9am-12 noon

Please telephone 020 8877 0357 to make an appointment. After these dates the uniform shop will not open again until Monday 5 September at the normal time 3.30-4.30pm.

Payment can be made in cash, cheque or debit/credit card. If you are in receipt of a clothing voucher this can be used in part payment for uniform and sports kit to the total of £55.

### Lost Property



Last chance to look through the Lost Property outside Reprographics - the items are desperate to be reunited with their owners. Anything left by the end of term will be disposed of forever!

We have coats, bags, scarves, shoes, and a few bags with PE kit - some of which have been 'lost' for quite a while.

It is impossible to find the owners of items if they have no name tags or some sort of identification on inside labels so please mark school items in some way.

We have a temporary post for Receptionist/Telephonist which may be of interest to a parent. If you are interested the details are below and an application form and job description is available to download from our website under the Career Opportunities/Associate posts tab.

Ashcroft Technology Academy is a highly successful and heavily over-subscribed school in Putney, south west London and is graded 'outstanding' (Ofsted 2015)

### Receptionist/Telephonist (temporary post)

**Scale 3 - £19,919**  
**Full time (36.5 hours) temporary contact to 31 December 2016 (possibility of extension)**

Ashcroft Technology Academy (ATA) is seeking to appoint a Receptionist/Switchboard Operator to provide a high quality reception, telephone, information and advice service to students, parents, visitors and colleagues of the Academy.

Applicants must possess excellent organisational, written and spoken communication and ICT skills. Previous experience of SIMS and electronic visitor management software packages will be an advantage however training will be provided. S/he will have the ability to communicate confidently with staff, parents/carers and visitors to the Academy.

For further details and an application form please visit our website [www.ashcroftacademy.org.uk](http://www.ashcroftacademy.org.uk) or telephone us on 020 8812 3553.

Please complete the application form electronically and email it to [recruitment@ashcroftacademy.org.uk](mailto:recruitment@ashcroftacademy.org.uk) to arrive as soon as possible and no later than Friday 22 July 2016. Interviews will take place the following week.

All appointments are subject to enhanced DBS clearance. ATA safeguards children and actively promotes their welfare. We expect all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. ATA is an equal opportunities employer and welcomes applications from minority groups and also has full disabled access.

# ARTS WEEK

Date	Event	Students involved	Periods	Venue
Mon 18 <sup>th</sup> July	String Workshop	String players (sign-up)	1/2	F201
	Orchestra Workshop	Orchestral musicians (sign-up)	3/4	F201
	Year 9 Drama Performance	Year 9 Drama students	5/6	F216
	Singing Workshop	Singers (sign-up)	7/8	F204
	Dance Workshop	Dancers (sign-up)	P9 until 5.30pm	F216
	Music Production Tutorial	Invited musicians/producers	9/10	
Tues 19 <sup>th</sup> July	Arts Award in Action	Y9 Arts Award Music/Drama students only	P1-10	F216
Weds 20 <sup>th</sup> July	Silent Disco	Year 7 – whole year group	2	AA
	Silent Disco	Year 8 - whole year group	3	AA
	Silent Disco	Year 9 - whole year group	4	AA
	Silent Disco	Year 10 - whole year group	5	AA
	Silent Disco	House Point Prize Winners	6	AA
	'Page to Stage' Drama Performance	G&T Drama club participants only; praise and reward audience members	7/8	F216
Thurs 21 <sup>st</sup> July	Ashtival	Years 7-10 – whole year groups	8/9/10	KS4 playground green

### Ashtival: Important information for performers and audience members

Ashtival will take place on the Key Stage 4 playground on Thursday 21 July (the penultimate day of term), during periods 8, 9 and 10. All students (performers and audience members) should ensure they have bottled water with them as it may be a very hot afternoon.

Performers should meet the Performing Arts team in the KS4 playground at 2pm (period 7), directly after lunch, and not go to lessons. Audience members should go to period 7 as normal (following line-up); you will be escorted to the KS4 playground by your teacher, for period 8.

## We are updating our contact database

If you are moving during the summer break or intend to purchase a new phone or change your email address please let us know as soon as possible.

Our database is our main source of all contact details and if they are not up to date it could mean a delay in contacting you urgently if need be.

Just email us any changes at communications@ashcroftacademy.org.uk with your son/daughter's name in the subject line and any amendments to your details in the body text.

### TERM DATES 2016-2017

Staff Dev Day	Tue 30 Aug
<b>Term 1 begins</b>	<b>Wed 31 Aug - Wed 19 Oct (Y7)</b> <b>Thur 01 Sep - Wed 19 Oct (Y8-11)</b>
Staff Dev Days	Thur 20 & Fri 21 Oct
Term break	Thur 20 Oct - Fri 28 Oct 2016
<b>Term 2 begins</b>	<b>Mon 31 Oct - Fri 16 Dec</b>
Staff Dev Day	Tue 03 Jan
Term break	Mon 19 Dec – Tue 03 Jan 2017
<b>Term 3 begins</b>	<b>Wed 04 Jan– Fri 10 Feb</b>
Term break	Mon 13 Feb – Fri 17 Feb 2017
<b>Term 4 begins</b>	<b>Mon 20 Feb – Fri 26 May</b>
Staff Dev Day	Fri 31 Mar
Easter break	Fri 31 Mar – Mon 17 Apr
Bank Holiday	Mon 01 May
Term break	Mon 29 May – Fri 02 Jun 2017
<b>Term 5 begins</b>	<b>Mon 05 Jun – Fri 21 Jul</b>

## FURZEDOWN RECREATION CENTRE

Ramsdale Road, London SW17

Interested in playing Tennis or would like to learn how to play tennis then go along to Tennis Camp during the Summer Break:

### Tennis Camp Details:

**Week 1:**  
**MONDAY 15 AUGUST TO FRIDAY 19 AUGUST 2016**

**Week 2:**  
**MONDAY 22 AUGUST TO FRIDAY 26 AUGUST 2016**

**Times & Ages: 1.30PM-3PM: 10-14 YEAR OLDS**

**Cost: 10-14 YR OLDS: £48.75 PER WEEK**

**How to book: PLEASE CALL 0208 871 7171**



	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	Multi-choice menu
<b>1</b>	Chicken & Vegetable Pie with New Potatoes Vegetable Quesadilla	Fish Pie Stuffed Pepper	BBQ Chicken and Rice Macaroni Cheese	Roast Pork and Roast Potatoes Vegetable Pie	Fish and Chips Goats Cheese Tart	<b>MEAL DEAL</b> 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 Joes Wrap Jacket Potato	Pasta King Jacket Potato	Chicken Joes Wrap Jacket Potato	
	Green Beans and Macedoine	Baby Carrots and Salad	Peas and Sweetcorn	Carrots and Cabbage	Salad and Peas	
<b>2</b>	Lentil Soup	Vegetable Soup	Tomato and Basil Soup	Spiced Citrus Bean Soup	Leek and Potato Soup	
<b>3</b>	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)	
<b>4</b>	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)	
<b>5</b>	Apple Crumble and Custard	Victoria Sponge	Eton Mess	Chocolate and Orange Cake with Chocolate Sauce	Selection of small cold Desserts	
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**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 9 — 1.05    2nd sitting Year 10 — 1.15    3rd sitting Year 7 — 1.25    4th sitting Year 8 — 1.35