

# NewsRound



**Ashcroft  
Technology  
Academy**

## Post 16 Tutor Evening

This evening will be held on Wednesday 18 March from 5.15-7pm. Year 12 parents will meet with form tutors in LRC1 and Year 13 parents in the Post 16 Study area.

## Top Result for Netball



A fantastic result for our Year 7 netball team this week when they came 1st to become the Borough Netball Tournament Champions. They looked really professional in their new navy kit.

In their first game against Burntwood School, the team finished the first half with 2 goals apiece. Tensions were high and nerves were evident. However, in the second half the girls pulled it back with the final score standing at 6-3 to us.

Their second game was against arch rivals Southfields Community College. Although physically the opposition looked stronger, our team played brilliantly. With their pure skill and countless interceptions we won 7-1.

The final game against Burntwood's 1st team looked like it would be a hard game. Their goal-keeper was very tall but Clarisse Berardier used this to her advantage and was able to dodge in and out of the circle effectively to collectively score with Lauren Lilley-Bailey 6 goals to Burntwood's one and only goal.

Our team received medals and certificates are on their way. Well done! Our superstars were:

Jessica Bagdonas, Rio Andrews, Clarisse Berardier, Melissa Mwale-Adams, Lauren Lilley-Bailey, Iman Elbouzidi, Elizabeth Odude.



## World Book Day Winners

The winners of the World Book Day 'Reading is Magic' competition are Philippa Bothwell 8T2 who received 1st prize for her poem "Mists of Magic" and Mario Aleixo 7T4 who received 2nd prize for his poem "Magic".

The winners of the 'Where in the World ...?' wordsearch are Aqib Rashid 7T7 and Vienna McDonald 7T6.

## Reminder

Year 9 Option forms must be completed, signed and handed in to form tutors by Tuesday 17 March at the latest.

## A Plethora of Merit Stars



Loads and loads of congratulations this week to students who have completed their various stages of our merit system. Many of whom are now on their second or third round of the system.

**Bronze:** Amira Habashi 7T2, Michael Bruton 7T4, Sean Coyle-Smith 7T4, Aaron Caldwell 7T6, Evans Sarpong 7T7

**Silver:** Alexis Ferguson 7T1, Devell Roberts 7T2, Niara Rowe 7T2, Mateus Honrado 7T3, Shakeela Rehman 7T3, Christian Johnson 7T5, Jade Byrnes 7T6, Mayowa Obamakin 7T6, Elisha Wilson 7T6, Rochelle Campbell 7T7, Leyla Duman 7T7, Carl Ryan 7T7, Sara Selimi 8T4

**Gold:** Joseph Ruff 8T4, Artem Bondarenko 8T4, Emna Chehida 7T1, Zana Kastrati 7T1, Layla Wakrim 7T1, Muhammed Ather 7T4, Kamyla De Oliveira 7T5, Aaliyah Vita 7T5, Rowan Fornah 7T6, Ahmad Zafar 7T6, Tracy Achonwa 7T7, Jack Richards 7T7

**Platinum:** Sarfraz Bajwa 7T3, Sajil Shahid 7T3, Jasmin Chopra 7T5

**Diamond:** Michael Patterson 8T1, Abdul Jalil 7T6



## Award for Learners

Congratulations to our Year 11 and Year 10 Work Related Learning students who received awards during a prizegiving ceremony last night as part of the South Thames College Young Learners Awards. They received a Young Learners certificate for 'exceptional effort and achievement' in their respective fields of study.

Kieran Comerford-Wright and Jessica Walsh both received their award for their Social Care course. Nicole McGregor received her award for her work in the Hairdressing and Beauty Therapy NVQ Level 1 course whilst Year 10 students Bradley Cripps and Trim Sedjui received awards for all round good performance in the Society Health and Development Diploma course.

Kieran Comerford Wright also received a Special Young Learner of the Year Award for the Most Outstanding 14-16 year old.

These courses are part of the Academy's KS4 Work Related option and are based on a one day release to South Thames College.



## Mealcards

We are concerned about the vast number of mealcards that students seem to be 'losing'. On many occasions the card has simply been left at home by mistake. If this is the case, students can still obtain a lunch and only need to order a replacement card if the original card has definitely been lost. Since December we have received over 200 requests for replacements and this entails extra work for the restaurant and reprographics who print the cards.

Mealcards are an important item for every student as it also acts as an ID card for security purposes. The card should always be kept safe and handled responsibly.

At present a replacement card costs £2 but this will now rise to £3 – so always make sure your card is with you!

## Calling all budding KS3 actors

Auditions will soon commence for a KS3 play. If you are interested in taking part, come along to the main hall on Monday 16 March at 1.30pm. See you there!



### What happens to our old books?

Students are very fortunate at Ashcroft Academy to have the best resources to aid them in their studies and many books that are withdrawn from the two LRCs and subject departments are too good just to go in the recycling bins.

So what do we do with them? We heard about Sister Mary Mulholland who travels the UK to collect spare resources to send to schools in other countries where educational books are in short supply.

Recently Sister Mary who is Education Liaison Officer on behalf of the Sisters of Notre Dame Mission wrote to thank us profusely for the nine boxes of books that we donated to her cause. They are now winging their way to Nigeria and will go into secondary schools which are desperate for resources and she assures us that every one of our 'wonderful books will be cherished.

### Loads of Lost Property again

It is amazing that only three weeks into Term 4 and we have again accumulated a number of very new looking jackets and other items of warm clothing. Someone, somewhere must be feeling the cold and wondering where they left their coat. Come along to Reprographics and hopefully we can reunite you with your scarf, your hat, your coat or even those lost trainers (of which we have a couple of pairs)

### Tesco vouchers

Tesco's have now began their new voucher system for schools and we will be collecting these alongside the Sainsbury vouchers.

Please remember when you shop at Tesco or Sainsbury's to ask for your vouchers. You will receive one voucher for every £10 spent.

### Present Academic Year Sep 2008-Jul 2009

<b>TERM 4</b>	<b>Mon 23 Feb - Fri 22 May 2009</b>
Staff Development	Fri 3 Apr 2009
Easter break	Fri 3 Apr - Fri 17 Apr 2009
Bank Holiday	Mon 4 May 2009
Term break	Mon 25 May - Fri 29 May 2009 (incl)

<b>TERM 5</b>	<b>Mon 1 Jun - Fri 17 Jul 2009</b>
Term break	begins Mon 20 Jul

### Academic Year Sep 2009- Jul 2010

Staff Development	Wed 26 - Fri 28 Aug 2009
<b>TERM 1</b>	<b>Tue 1 Sep - Fri 23 Oct 2009</b>
Term Break	Mon 26 Oct - Fri 30 Oct 2009 (incl)
<b>TERM 2</b>	<b>Mon 02 Nov - Fri 18 Dec 2009</b>
Term Break	Mon 21 Dec 2009 - Mon 4 Jan 2010 (incl)
Staff Development	Mon 4 Jan 2010
<b>TERM 3</b>	<b>Tue 5 Jan - Fri 12 Feb 2010</b>
Term Break	Mon 15 Feb - Fri 19 Feb 2010 (incl)
<b>TERM 4</b>	<b>Mon 22 Feb - Fri 28 May 2010</b>
Staff Development	Thu 1 Apr 2010
Easter Break	Thu 1 Apr - Fri 16 Apr 2010 (incl)
Bank Holiday	Mon 3 May 2010
Term Break	Mon 31 May - Fri 4 Jun 2010 (incl)
<b>TERM 5</b>	<b>Mon 7 Jun - Fri 23 Jul 2010</b>

# Weekly Menu

week beginning Monday 16 March 2009



## MONDAY

Meal Deal	Lamb Pilaf or Vegetable Pitta Pockets with Cajun Wedges Veg: Peas or Seasonal Salad Pudding: Mixed Fruit Pie with Custard or Fresh Fruit Pieces	1.90
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## TUESDAY

Meal Deal	Beef Bolognese with Pasta Spirals or Fruit Caribbean Curry with Pilau Rice Veg: Golden Sweetcorn or Seasonal Salad Pudding: Warm Carrot Cake with Vanilla Sauce or Fresh Fruit Pieces	1.90
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## WEDNESDAY

Meal Deal	Roast Chicken with Roast Potatoes or Plain Jacket Wedges or Roasted Vegetable Lasagne with Garlic Bread Slice Veg: Fresh Broccoli Florets or Seasonal Salad Pudding: Chocolate & Orange Mousse or Fresh Fruit Pieces	1.90
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## THURSDAY

Meal Deal	Beef Cobbler with Creamy Mashed Potatoes or Quorn, Potato & Leek Pie Veg: Fresh Carrots or Seasonal Salad Pudding: Peach Conde or Fresh Fruit Pieces	1.90
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## FRIDAY

Meal Deal	Salmon Wrap with Chips or White Rice or Vegetable Chilli with Rice Veg: Baked Beans or Seasonal Salad Pudding: Sultana Sponge with Custard or Fresh Fruit Pieces	1.90
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### This week's lunch rota

1st Year 11 — 1.00	4th Year 10 — 1.30
2nd Year 8 — 1.10	Last Year 9 — 1.40
3rd Year 7 — 1.20	

## Mindbender 247

At halftime, Ashcroft Academy had scored all of the points so far in their annual match against Range Hill School. In the second half, each side scored three points. At the end of the match, Ashcroft Academy had scored 90% of the points. What fraction of the points in the match was scored in the second half?

$$A \frac{3}{100}, B \frac{3}{50}, C \frac{1}{10}, D \frac{9}{50} \text{ or } E \frac{1}{5}$$

Answer to Ms Valentine, Student Progress Manager, by Wednesday 18 March. Winner receives a merit and is entered into a winners draw.

Mindbender 246: Answer E The new rectangle will measure  $(2a + 6)$  cm by 4cm, so its area will be  $(8a + 24)$  cm<sup>2</sup>. Winner: Dalen Mann 7T5. Correct answers also received from Aqib Rashid 7T7 and Barnaby Duggan 7T3.



## Science Trivia 149

What do you call the organ where food is absorbed into the blood?

Answer to Mr Ofosu, Science Department, by Wednesday 18 March. Merit for the winner.

Science Trivia 148: It is only the female mosquito that drinks your blood, they need the protein to make all their eggs. Male mosquitoes and females the rest of the time just eat nectar.