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**Ashcroft**

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**2018**

## Wandsworth Young Musician of the Year - Grand Final

On Wednesday evening Joshua and Safa performed in the Grand Final of Wandsworth Music Academy's 'Young Musician of the Year' competition. Both students performed difficult pieces of music and faced some very talented students in this final round. The Performing Arts Department are very proud of their achievements and are looking forward to seeing them perform again in the Ashcroft's Got Talent Final!

Ms DiBartolo



# Important Reminders for the Upcoming Week

## Sixth Form Exam Week

Sixth Form students will be off-timetable for mock exams week commencing Monday 22nd January. Students will still be expected to adhere to the Sixth Form dress code and they must sign in and sign out when arriving and leaving the Academy. Students must arrive at least 15 minutes before the published exam time. Please see the updated exam timetable which is available on the Sixth Form section of the website.

## Year 7 ACTRAC

Year 7 ACTRAC will take place next Thursday 25th January. Please ensure that all reply slips have been returned and that all parties are aware of their timeslot. We look forward to seeing you there.

## Year 9 Immunisations

Permission forms for the upcoming Year 9 Immunisations will be going home on Monday, Please ensure that they are signed and returned as soon as possible, thank you.



**22** Sixth Form Mock Week Starts

**25** Year 7 ACTRAC

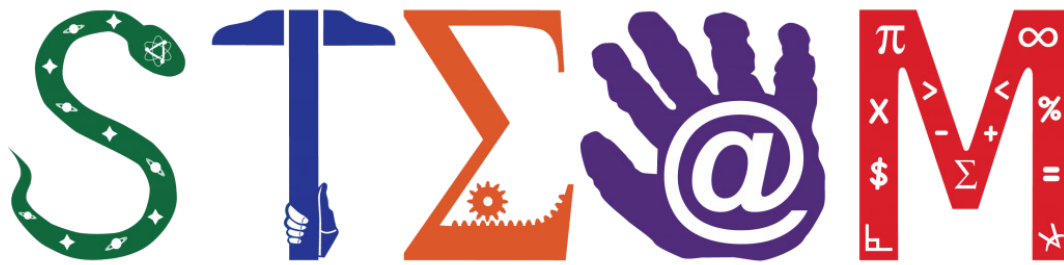


## Mexican Theme Day

The Mexican Theme Day in the restaurant this Thursday was a great success. Students and staff had the choice of a number of different Mexican dishes including peri-peri chicken skewers, burritos, chilli con carne and more! The salad bar was also re-vamped to include salsa, guacamole and jalapeno peppers. Expect more exciting menu's in the near future.







STEAM is ready for a STEAM-tastic Term 3 at ATA with new project rotations to enjoy! Here's what we've been up to already in our new rotations

that softer rocks scratch easier than harder rocks. An enjoyable session and the STEAMmies are thinking more like real geologists too. Well done!

**STEAM**  
Science Technology Engineering Art Math  
**Tuesday Lunch-Times 1:05-1:35pm**

Year Group	Project Rotation	Teacher	Room
7	The Robots Are Coming!	Mr Haddleton	E310
8	Geology Club	Miss Niklekaj	E311
9	Tournament of Minds - Annual STEAM House Competition	Miss Dowson & Ms Khan	E301
10 & Sixth Form	STEAM Academia	Various STEAM teachers	C210

**Each project rotation will be for 4 weeks and you will then switch.**  
*Please see Ms Khan in Science to collect your STEAM lunch passes!*



**STEAM Annual House Competition  
Tournament of Minds (ToM) 2018**

Are you ready to take on the challenge? Competition open to STEAM and non-STEAM students. Deadline for Year 9 entries is Tuesday, 20th January 2018. See Ms Khan/Ms Dowson to enter.

With human missions to Mars looking more and more likely, this year's STEAM ToM challenge scenario is to design and create a shoe for an astronaut to wear on Mars.

- 1st place - 300 house points
- 2nd place - 200 house points
- 3rd place - 100 house points

Special prizes and certificates will be awarded too!

Further information will be released in the STEAM Tuesday sessions.

**Tournament of Minds (ToM)** – with Ms Dowson and Ms Khan. ToM had another successful week with the STEAMmies being extremely organised. One group even brought in a mood board which had their inspirational photos. They are going incredibly well and are taking their space shoes home this week to do extra modifications. We can't for next week to see what they come back with.

**TEAM Academia & Sixth Form STEAM Ambassadors Programme** - At ATA we are proud of STEAM. Our enrichment programme incorporates several cross-curricular links with subjects from across the Academy. This week, STEAM Academia welcomed Mr Revelant, MFL Teacher and regular STEAM teacher. Mr Revelant presented a linguistic issue to the STEAMmies. How do we know that a word is “real”? Who has the authority to decide whether a word is worthy of being qualified as such or not? Just because a word is not in the dictionary, does it mean that it does not exist? Mr Revelant gave examples of modern linguistics, such as “To Like something on Facebook”, explaining how meanings

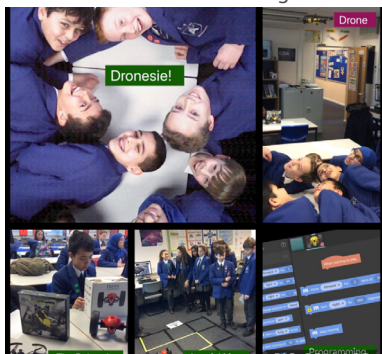


of words have changed. After discussing this very important aspect of linguistics, the STEAMmies moved on to use their creativity and form new words using five common strategies generally used by word creators. The words that students came up with were absolutely terrific and filled very important gaps in the English language: the verb TO ICAS someone à to send someone to ICAS (functional shift), to LOTE someone à to have mixed feeling about someone, to love and hate them at the same time (blend words). This session certainly provided much thinking and discussion regarding linguistics and the Science/Maths involved and reinforcing the importance of STEAM.

Well done, everyone! Looking forward to more STEAM-azing sessions next week!

Ms Khan

**The Robots are Coming!** - with Mr Haddleton. This week, the STEAMmies to begin to learn how to program the robots on their own. They were split into two teams with each allocated a task and a robot to program. Team 1 had the Jumpin' Max robot and were asked to write a program to make it draw geometric shapes on the floor – a square and then a triangle. This was quite complicated, as the team had to work together to decide whether to use internal or external angles and to agree how many degrees the robot needed to turn to make the shapes. The team succeeded in the task after 15 mins and had showed a superb ability to problem solve and collaborate. They even worked out how to draw a pentagram! Team 2 were asked to program Travis the Drone. Their task was to make the drone fly the length of the classroom and land accurately on a landing pad on the floor. They split into 2 sub-teams – the pilots and the air traffic controllers! After a few near misses they managed to get the drone to land perfectly on the pad. The team celebrated by taking a “Dronesie” of themselves with the camera mounted under the drone. Next week more advanced programming tasks are coming their way!



**Geology Club** – with Ms Niklekaj. The STEAMmies analysed and grouped the rocks according to the Mohs' scale of hardness. Using moderate pressure and dragging a sharp edge over the smooth surface of the rock, the STEAMmies were able to deduce



# Ashcroft's Got Talent 2018

On Monday evening over 40 students across all year groups auditioned for our bi-annual talent show 'Ashcroft's Got Talent'. The students had to perform their act in front of a panel of judges and after the auditions it was decided that the following students would go through to the live final on Tuesday 6th February.

## Challenger

Cheylla Matos 8T3 (voice)

Joshua Shah Salmon and Jessica Amponsah 11T3 (guitar and voice)

Sofia Fiorvanti 7T3 (voice)

## Endeavour

Lorena Rodriques Santos and France Cardoso 9T6 (dance)

Zohaa Sheikh 9T6 (mime/comedy)

Joshua Craig 10T2 (guitar and voice)

## Discovery

Safa Khan 10T1 (piano)

Hope Somers 9T4 (voice and ukulele)

Michael Johnson 11T1 (voice)

## Voyager

Rumaisa Zahid 7T7 (dance)

Isabella Costa 11T7 (dance)

Rehnuma Rahman 10T7 (voice)

The Performing Arts Department would like to congratulate all the students who auditioned for Ashcroft's Got Talent 2018. We understand that performing to a panel of teachers is a daunting task and commend their courage in coming to show us their talents! For those who were unsuccessful, there will be plenty more opportunities to perform before the end of the academic year.

Tickets cost 50p and are available from Reprographics. All money raised will be donated to a local charity that supports Cancer sufferers.

The Performing Arts Department



## Articulation

Well done to Amber who participated in the annual Articulation competition, she performed exceptionally well, captivating the audience and speaking clearly and confidently.

The organisers praised Amber for her powerful presentation and commented on how much they had learnt from the experience. They also praised Amber for finding links made between music and form and for drawing out Kandinsky's approach to painting and to abstraction.

We are very proud of her amazing achievement and although she did not get through to the next stage, we are sure this whole experience will stand her in good stead in her future endeavours.

Well done!



**£1 ENTRY FEE**

# London Mini Marathon Trials 2018

Sign up to the London Mini Marathon trials for your chance to be part of Team Wandsworth and run the last 5km of the London Marathon Route.

To be eligible you must either live, go to school or have been born in the borough of Wandsworth.

**Millennium Arena  
Battersea Park SW11  
Sunday 4 February 2018**

- under 13s
- under 15s
- under 17s
- there's also an under 11s 2km Fun Run

For more information  
call (020) 8871 6857 or email  
mdoherty@wandsworth.gov.uk

Download the entry form at  
[www.enablelc.org/minimarathon](http://www.enablelc.org/minimarathon)



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	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<b>1</b>	Chicken Jalfrezi Vegetable Moussaka	Chicken Chow Mein 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 Joe's Wrap Jacket Potato	Pasta King Jacket Potato	Chicken Joe's Wrap Jacket Potato
	Sweetcorn and Carrots	Green Beans and Peas	Broccoli and Macedoine	Carrots and Cabbage	Salad and Peas/Sweetcorn
<b>2</b>	Carrot and Coriander Soup	Vegetable and Watercress Soup	Minestrone Soup	Red Pepper Soup	Vegetable 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>	Fruit Jelly and Ice Cream	Marble Sponge with Chocolate Sauce	Fruit Salad	Pineapple Upside Down Sponge with Custard	Selection of Cold Desserts
	Fresh Fruit Selection of small cold Desserts Selection of Cakes and Biscuits	Fresh Fruit Selection of small cold Desserts Selection of Cakes and Biscuits	Fresh Fruit Selection of small cold Desserts Selection of Cakes and Biscuits	Fresh Fruit Selection of small cold Desserts Selection of Cakes and Biscuits	Selection of Cakes and Biscuits

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



**Meal Deal (Option 1 + 2 or 5) £2.25 students/£2.47 staff Main Meal only £1.95 students/£2.15 staff**