

**Year 11 Parents' Evening - Thursday 24 November from 6-8pm in the Auditorium. Appointment cards have been issued to students to make appointments on your behalf.**



# NewsRound

Keeping parents and students informed

Term 2 Letter 3 Friday 18 November 2016

## Getting to know Henry VIII

As part of their A-level History course students have been spending a considerable amount of time this year studying the Tudors. In order to help them with their studies they visited Hampton Court Palace last week. The Palace was used by a number of Tudor monarchs and was the scene of several major events in the Tudor period. The visit provided students with a unique experience and insight into Tudor court and society. As well as a tour of the Palace, they also took part in a seminar on the Mid Tudor Crisis. This session was taught by experts in the field and is specifically tailored to the Edexcel exam syllabus.

Liban Abdulle said about the trip, "An unforgettable experience! The trip to Hampton Court was not only informative and educational, but touring the same palace that the likes of Henry VIII and Elizabeth I lived in was a remarkable experience. The size of the palace caught me off guard, it was one of the biggest buildings I've ever seen! When we first arrived we were appointed a tour guide that took us around the palace, where she gave us insights to Tudor life in the palace. We were then given the opportunity to roam into the royal building, where we visited the privy chambers, the presence chambers and the royal kitchen. I enjoyed visiting the gardens, they were absolutely stunning".



## Jazz Night

Well done and congratulations to Linden Mercurius 11T1 and Joshua Shah-Salmon 10T3 for a sterling performance last week at The Hideaway Jazz Club, in Streatham.

The gig showcased the talents of many young musicians in Wandsworth and featured a range of exciting repertoire from pop/rock covers to arrangements of pieces by Jazz legends, such as John Coltrane.

It was a real pleasure to hear the boys perform with their ensembles as part of the Wandsworth Music Academy – they did themselves, the borough, the Performing Arts department and our Academy proud.



## Year 9 Basketball

PRAISE for the Year 9 Basketballers who have secured their place in the Borough finals with a chance to represent Wandsworth in the London Youth Games.

With a nail biting start versus Southfields, winning by 1 basket, Ashcroft then sailed through with their best score, 8 baskets to Ark Academy's 3 baskets. Well done team!

Nathanael Pongolati 9t4,  
Kyle Vannucci 9t7,  
Fozey Abdalla 9t1,  
Crispin Low 9t5 and  
Olumuyiwa Obamakin 9t3.

## Christmas Showcase

Please note we have changed the date of our Christmas Showcase from Wednesday 14 December to Thursday 15 December as so many of our performers had been invited to play a concert on the same night as part of the Wandsworth Music Academy at the Royal Festival Hall. This would be too good an opportunity for them to miss and we would also like our Christmas audience to enjoy these talented musicians as well.

Tickets can be purchased from Repro for family and friends of the performers in the first instance.

## House Table Tennis

Over the past 2 weeks the sixth formers have been battling between Houses to determine the best when it comes to table tennis. The preliminaries held last week was very competitive with some terrific rallies which saw the winners last year eliminated in the first round. It was always going to be a morning of excitement when the finals went underway during assembly in the auditorium this Thursday. Kathleen Eng from Voyager gave Sophie Xiang in



Discovery a tough competition but in the end had to give in. The third place for the boys upped the euphoria with some good rallies which saw Abel Dimmick from Endeavour

winning. The breathtaking finale between Nono Pongamphai from Endeavour and Josh Stidwill from Discovery was something for the eye to behold. It was culminated with lots of claps and cheers from the spectators. Well done!!!! Sixth Form.

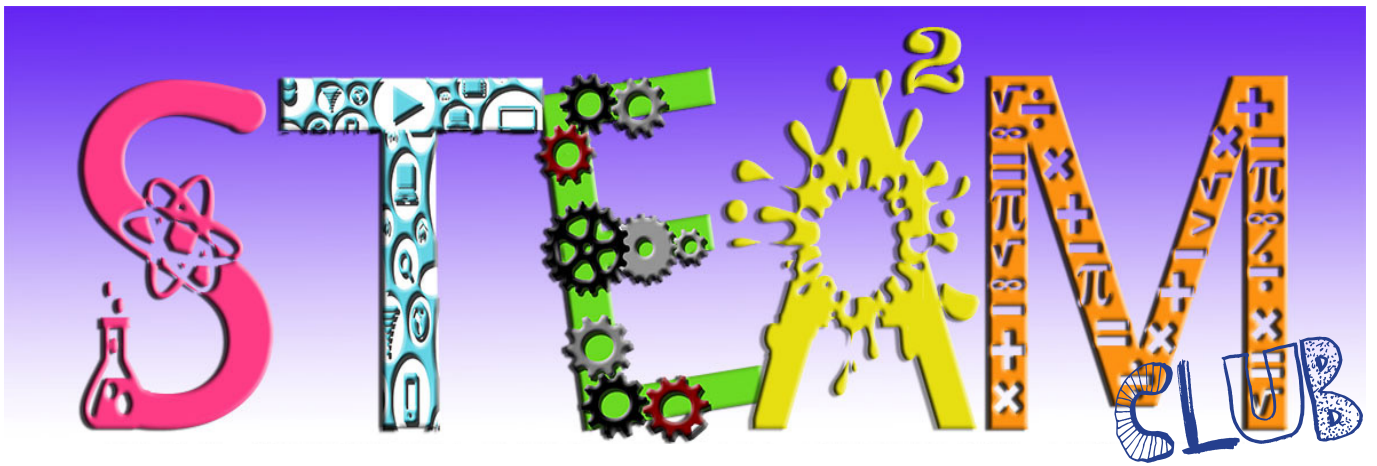
Thursday 15 December 2016

Doors open at 6.00 for 6.30pm star

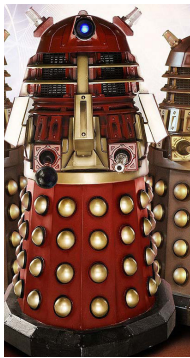
All ticket monies donated to *educate for life*

# CHRISTMAS SHOWCASE





### Year 8 STEAM Club



In Doctor Who Club this week, the Year 8 STEAMies observed the Daleks and how they use their “eye” to see, comparing this with how the human eye works.

It became marvellously gory when the STEAMies dissected sheep’s eyes and looked

at the structure of the eye in finer detail. They worked very well and asked probing questions, as well as demonstrated a sound understanding of how the eye functions.

Well done to eye specialists:

Hannah Colwell 8T2, Spike Snijder 8T4, Roberts Gomins 8T2, Amaar Chowdhry 8T1, Raza Mahmood 8T4, Muskan Sheikah 8T4, Zohaa Sheikh 8T6, Sarah Elmer 8T4, Ladan Warsame 8T6, Sankriti Mangain 8T6, Liepa Tamutyte 8T2, Saffiya Najami 8T2, Somana Malik 8T6, Sujal Patel 8T2

They were supported by our 6th Form STEAM Ambassadors:

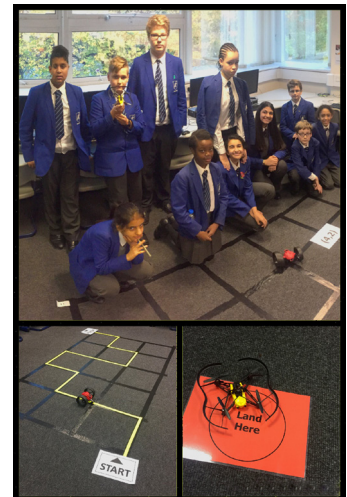
Fadumo Ahmed 12IB1 and Freya Lewis 12IB2



### Year 9 STEAM Club

In the final Year 9 Robot Programming Club this week, the Year 9 STEAMies worked in teams of two to try to become victor in the Robot Coordination Challenge. Having used 2D coordinate maths to build a complex course last week, this week they were timed completing an optimal route through their course using two different types of robot (see photo). Mr Haddleton was very impressed by how well all the teams challenged themselves to win! The overall winners were Saad Salahuddin 9T3 and Jakub Szolski 9T3 – well done!

Photo credit to resident expert Leonardo Forchini 10T3 who used the Initio Robot Camera.



### BEST STEAM CLUB NOMINATION



Also, in STEAM Club this week four chosen STEAMies will be representing Ashcroft’s STEAM Club at the STEM Inspiration Awards at the House of Lords on Thursday, 24 November.

Our STEAM Club has been nominated for the Best STEM Club 2016 award, and Shania Tiekou 9T3, Angus Stewart 9T4, Hannah Colwell 8T2 and Spike Snijder 8T4 will be attending on behalf of their STEAM Club cohort. They will present examples of the amazing work

STEAM Club has carried out over the last year. STEAM Club are very excited at being nominated finalists for the award and are keeping our fingers crossed for a win! First prize is a trip to the CERN Laboratories to visit the Large Hadron Collider! Good luck, STEAM Club!

Year 9 Robotoers:

Mi-Mi Aulaqi 9T4, Zakaria Butt 9T4, Karen Fernandes 9T3, Krisztian Hunter 9T5, Safa Khan 9T1, Akash Lingeshwaran 9T6, Souraya Louafi 9T7 Dejanae Oakley-Joseph 9T1, Shaye O’Donnell 9T6, Adam Ouarda 9T7 Saad Salahuddin 9T3, Angus Stewart 9T4, Jakub Szolski 9T3, Shania Tiekou 9T3, Luca Wilson 9T5, Amaar Zafar 9T5

They were supported by our 6th Form STEAM Ambassadors:

Mariana Rodrigues 12IB1, Ana-Eva tudor 12IB2, Laura Porras 12IB2, and Helen Webley-Brown 12IB1

Tuesday 29th	Subject		Location
Period 1-6	PE practical exam		Gyms
Wednesday 30th	Subject		Location
Period 7-10	Business Studies (Unit 1)		Auditorium
Thursday 1st	Subject		Location
Form	Maths Paper 1		Auditorium
Period 1-4			
Period 5-6	Geography (Physical)	History (Cold War)	Auditorium
Period 7-9	Psychology (Paper 1)		Auditorium
Friday 2nd	Subject		Location
Form	Maths (Paper 2)		Auditorium
Period 1-2			
Period 7-9	Geography (Human)	History (Germany)	Auditorium
Monday 5th	Subject		Location
Form	English		Auditorium
Period 1-4			
Period 7-8	French (Listening paper) A side		MFL classrooms
Tuesday 6th	Subject		Location
Form	Maths (Paper 3)		Auditorium
Period 1-2			
Period 5-6	Psychology (Paper 3)		Auditorium
Period 7-8	French (Listening paper) B side		MFL classrooms
Wednesday 7th	Subject		Location
Period 3-4	Science		Auditorium
Period 7-9	RS	Citizenship	Auditorium
Thursday 8th	Subject		Location
Period 1-3	ICT	Computing	Auditorium
Period 5-6	French (Reading paper) All students		Auditorium
Period 7-9	PE	Psychology (Paper 2)	Auditorium
Friday 9th	Subject		Location
Period 1-8	Art		Art Department
Monday 12th	Subject		Location
Period 1-8	Art		Art Department
Tuesday 13th	Subject		Location
Period 1-4	Business (Unit 2)		Auditorium
Period 7-10	DT		Auditorium
Wednesday 14th	Subject		Location
Period 7-9	History (Britain)		Gyms
Thursday 15th	Subject		Location
Period 1-3	Music		Auditorium
Period 4-10	Catch-up for absentees		Auditorium

## Year 11 Mock Timetable

To help our Year 11 students organise their personal revision timetable the mock exam timetable is printed opposite for your information.

Mock exams begin on 29 November and continue until the end of this term.

If students need a quiet space to revise after school they are welcome to come along to the Study Hall sessions held in the Auditorium.

## Wizard of Oz cast T-shirts

If cast and crew who are taking part in our whole Academy production of 'Wizard of Oz', please note that the deadline for Wiz t-shirts has been extended until Friday 02 December.

If you do not have a letter detailing the cost etc it is available on our website to download within the News tab/ Wizard of Oz production.

## REMAINDER TERM DATES 2016-2017

**Term 2 begins** Mon 31 Oct - Fri 16 Dec  
**Term break** Mon 19 Dec – Tue 03 Jan 2017

**Staff Dev Day** Tue 03 Jan  
**Term 3 begins** Wed 04 Jan– Fri 10 Feb  
**Term break** Mon 13 Feb – Fri 17 Feb 2017

**Term 4 begins** Mon 20 Feb – Fri 26 May  
**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

**Term 5 begins** Mon 05 Jun – Fri 21 Jul



	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	Multi-choice menu
<b>1</b>	Chicken & Vegetable Pie with New Potatoes Vegetable Quesadilla	Fish Pie Stuffed Pepper	Chicken Fajita 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
	Chicken Joe's Wrap Jacket Potato	Pasta King Jacket Potato	Pizza Jacket Potato	Pasta King Jacket Potato	Chicken Joe's 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	Spicy 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>	Rice Pudding	Bread & Butter Pudding and Custard	Pear Upside Down Cake and Custard	Chocolate and Orange Cake with Chocolate Sauce	Banana Bread and Custard	
	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	Fresh Fruit Selection of Cakes and Biscuits	



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