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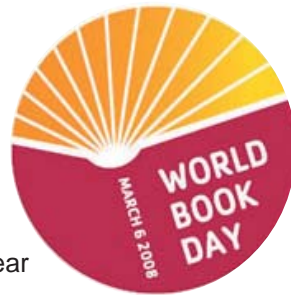
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WLA celebrates World Book Day



Thursday 6th March was World Book Day and students celebrated the event with a book title competition and year 7, 8 and 9 made bookmarks about their favourite books.

Every student in the Academy received a £1 book token, which can be used in most book shops until 30th March.

As part of our celebration of World Book Day we would like to get everyone reading at home. To help you get started here is a list of recommended children's books:

'The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe' by C S Lewis

'The Iron Man' by Ted Hughes

'Goodnight Mister Tom' by Michelle Magorian

'Northern Lights' by Philip Pullman

'Boy: Tales of childhood' by Roald Dahl

'My Swordhand is Singing'

by Marcus Sedgwick

'Cold Comfort Farm' by Stella Gibbons

'Noughts and Crosses' by Malorie Blackman

The Young James Bond Series

by Charlie Higson

THE SCIENCE CORNER

Get your answers in to Mr Gaza by Wednesday. Each weekly winner will be entered into a draw at the end of term for a fantastic prize. Well done to last week's winner: Waris, 7W2.

1. To move out of areas of high concentration into areas of low concentration

2. Respiration that requires oxygen

3. A thin line or narrow beam of light

4. The symbol for the element tungsten

5. Variable that is changed in an experiment

6. The blue wire in an electric plug



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Last week's answers: 1. reactant 2. alight 3. ibuprofen 4. nitrogen 5. bond 6. ohm 7. watt

Q3 visit West London Academy



On Wednesday 12th March WLA students and staff welcomed student and staff representatives from Dartmouth High School, Sandwell (nr Birmingham) which is in the process of becoming Q3 Academy from September 2008. They are currently living in a building site and occupying the old school at present which is in the same state as the old Compton School before it was knocked down. They visited the Academy to get inspiration after all the good things they have heard about WLA.

Visiting students were paired up with students from WLA in a 'buddy' system and got to sit in on their lessons in a range of subjects over every year group.

Calling all budding entrepreneurs!

Would you like to set up your own business? Then MyBnk can help you! MyBnk is currently running throughout the High School. Please come and talk to our financial experts every Thursday in the Portacabin (PC1)! They can help you to get a loan or save some money!



English Gifted and Talented club is still taking place every Friday lunchtime in room 7.5 for years 7-9.

Come along and take part in the creation of a student magazine. We need writers, editors and photographers.

There is also the chance to take part in an upcoming trip to the British Film Institute.

See Miss Wilkins for more details.

Primary News

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Thank You!



We would like to take this opportunity to thank all the parents who joined us for the Primary Parents Evening this week.

Your attendance makes such a difference to your children's progress.

If you have not attended yet, please come to see your child's teacher to make an appointment as soon as possible.

Date for your diary



All Primary Phase parents and staff - date for your diaries.

Two very important events are happening on Thursday 27th March. Firstly at 6pm in the Primary Hall there will be the first Annual General Meeting of the new Primary Phase Parent and Staff Association (PSA).

All parents are automatically members but if you would like to get actively involved please make it a priority to attend. Refreshments will be served from 5.30pm.

The AGM will be followed by a Literacy Curriculum Evening at 7pm. This promises to be an exciting event, with interactive presentations similar to the very popular Numeracy Curriculum Evening held in November.

If you want to know how best to support your child's developing literacy skills and what this BIG Writing is all about - these and many other frequently asked questions will be answered. We promise it will be fun!

On a practical note neither of these events are appropriate for children to attend but there will be a crèche facility available. More details to follow in a letter next week.

Reminders

Year 5/6 that there will be a cross phase assembly on Monday morning in the High School from 8.40am. It would be great if as many children as possible could attend as this is a good opportunity for the children to meet teachers and other students further up the Academy.

There will be an exhibition of the children's art in the school hall after school finishes on 20th March. The children have been making art out of recycled materials and it would be great if you could come along and see their efforts.

March Festival!

As part of West London Academy's work with the EiC Action Zone and the Northolt Extended Schools Partnership we are holding the March Festival event here at the Academy. Various primary schools will be joining us in the celebration including Gifford Primary School, Petts Hill Primary School, Viking Primary School and Wood End Junior School. In addition, there will be a huge parade at Northala Fields on the afternoon of March 19th, in which we release balloons to celebrate primary - secondary transition.

Last chance to purchase Key Stage 2 SAT's Revision Guide booklets at a reduce price of £1.50 per book (£4.50 in shops)

Win a Bike!

Calling all Primary and High School Students



Design a poster about Greening Northolt and the winning entry will get a fantastic new bike!

Posters should be A4 and handed in to Mrs Spinks in the High School and Ms Matthews in the Primary by 18th March.

Winners to be announced on the 19th March.