

WLA the most improved school at Key Stage 3 Nationally

The Academy has been praised by the Secretary of State for its rapid improvement to officially become the joint first most improved school at Key Stage 3 in the country.

The announcement, published in the national press last Thursday, recognises the tremendous efforts of students and staff at West London Academy in raising standards. Principal, Hilary Macaulay said: 'It was always clear that the Academy had real and significant potential to make life changing improvements for its children and the results achieved last summer by Year 9 have proved that. There is still a lot of work to be done to ensure that the considerable improvements the Academy has experienced over the past two years continues and students and staff are raising to the challenge of keeping the success of WLA on the map nationally.'

Innovation!

Internet Parental Engagement Survey

Thank you to all parents who have taken part and are about to take part in the online survey for the Innovation Unit. Just a reminder that you do need to use the special unique code on the form that your child brought home when you log on, and the web link is open until 31st March.

The information from the survey, which is being conducted nationally in a sample of schools, will help develop the new online reporting system so that parents/carers can see exactly how their child is doing at school day by day in every single lesson from attendance, punctuality, behaviour, attainment, homework and levels achieved.

The government hopes to launch this in the next year and WLA has been selected to be one of the first schools in the country to take part in the pilot due to our innovative approaches which have helped the Academy improve in such a short time.

XL Club to play in opener of 6 Nations

Congratulations to the XL Club who won the fair play award on the 25th February at the RFU/RBS Prince's Trust tournament. This means the group will go to Twickenham on March 15th to play in the opener and form the guard of honour before the England/Ireland 6 Nations match. Their poster is to be placed in the office at Twickenham Rugby Ground. Well done XL Club!



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!

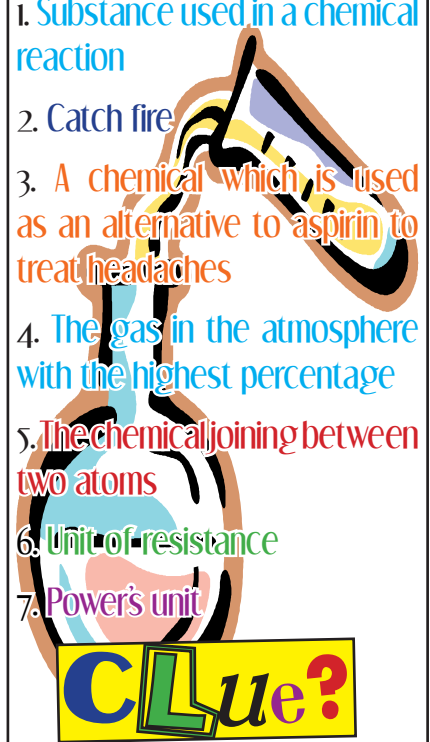


THE SCIENCE

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.

1. Substance used in a chemical reaction
2. Catch fire
3. A chemical which is used as an alternative to aspirin to treat headaches
4. The gas in the atmosphere with the highest percentage
5. The chemical joining between two atoms
6. Unit of resistance
7. Power's unit



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Last week's answers: 1. sensory 2. pathogen 3. allotropes 4. chlorine 5. emit

Tasting Session



Would you like to know what kinds of tasty and nutritious food is provided for your children at lunch time at the Academy Restaurant? Why not come to our Taster Evening, taking place at Parents' Evening for Years 10, 12 and 13 on **Thursday 13th March.**

HIGH SCHOOL – Inter House Week 3... with a difference!

Monday 10th March 2008-Friday 14th March 2008

The aim for each house; **Wembley**, **Lords** and **Ascot** during our special Inter House week from is to raise as much money, as possible as a house, for our joint Academy fundraising campaign for Sports Relief and for Mr Edward's London Marathon challenge and Mrs Sangherra's run for Children with leukaemia.

- At each of the exciting events you will be asked to donate money into your house bucket.
- At the end of each day the total money raised by each house will be publicised to everybody.
- There will be prizes for the winners of each event also!



There are lots of exciting events being held over the week including Penalty Shoot outs, Go Kart races and Wear your Trainers to School Day. For more information check the plasma screens, look out for the posters around the Academy or see Ms Thomas.



Making Mosaic History

A BIG THANK YOU to all students involved with the design and creation of the Northala Fields Mosaic project, with a very special mention to Hannah 10L2 who helped raise £5000 funding making it all possible.

The location of the mosaic has changed from its original position at the top of the third mound and will now be placed as a focal point in the play area to offer easy access for all to enjoy for years to come.

An official opening for the mosaic is due to commence shortly, so keep your eyes and ears open for further information of this future event in Northolt's History.

SPORTS CLUBS

DAY	Activity	Age Group	Time	Location	Notes
MONDAY	Primary Dance (before meeting)	All years		Dance Studio	This is the revised timetable of sports clubs currently running at the Academy. Students must have permission from their parents/carers to be able to participate in after school clubs with a signature in their planner. Planners will be checked by their teacher. For more information please see any member of the P.E. Department.
	Dance Studio	Boys and girls	4-5 pm	Gymnasium	
TUESDAY	Belly dancing	All years	4-5 pm	Dance Studio	
	Indoor Rock climbing	All years	4-5pm (two weeks only)	Gymnasium	
	Netball	Years 7-8-9	3.30-5.00pm (warm up on MUGA 4.00 onwards in the sports hall)	Sports Hall	
WEDNESDAY	Badminton	All years	1.15-1.50 pm	Sports Hall	
	Table Tennis	Boys, Girls, JC.	3.30-5.45pm	Sports Hall	
	Boys Football	Years 8-9	Practice 4-5 pm	Astroturf	
THURSDAY	Cheerleading		4.00-5.00	Dance Studio	
	Free Running	KS4	4-5.30 pm	Gymnasium	
	Sportshall Athletics	Year 7 only	(Lunch time) 1.15-1.50pm	Sports Hall	
	Rugby	Years 7-9	4-5pm	Grass Area	
	Table Tennis	Boys & Girls	3.30-5.45	Sports Hall	
	Hockey	All years		Astroturf	
	Aussie Rules Football	All years	4-5pm	Astroturf	
	Cricket	All years	Boys and girls 3.30 -5pm	MUGA	
	Fitness Suite	Girls – KS4 and 6 Form	4-5pm	Fitness Suite	
	Fast track programme		4-5pm	12.1	