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Students make their mark!

On 28th November, four Year 10 students went to Linklaters law firm in the City to present their social enterprise idea to a team of judges, including Claire Young from the BBC's Apprentice.

This was part of the Make Your Mark Challenge in Enterprise Week, a national competition and over 56,000 schools took part this year. The 'Juice' team of Petar, Vinoth, Ganashanth and Ryan had made it to the final 20 out of over 550 London schools.

Their challenge had been to come up with a business idea which ties in with the values of the London 2012 Olympics and Paralympics. Their idea was to have a reward card that gives points to people every time they buy healthy foods, no matter what supermarket they shop at. People can then convert the points into rewards such as sports equipment or family tickets to sports events.

The supermarkets and producers would pay Juice to have the right to have their products approved and any profits would go into community sports projects. Unfortunately the boys did not win the London final, but they really showed off the enterprising skills of WLA students.

WLA Prizegiving 2008

WLA hosted its inaugural Prizegiving Awards Evening on Tuesday 2nd December.

Last year Year 11 students returned to collect their GCSE and BTEC certificates and Special Awards.

The Special Awards were presented to the students who had performed exceptionally well in a specific curriculum area as well as the Dr Caroline Whalley Awards for Resilience and the Reed Learning Award for Outstanding Achievement.

As well as receiving their trophies the names of the winners will be entered on to an honours board on permanent display in the Academy.



Congratulations to the November Jack Petchey Award winner Olaf in Year 7.

Olaf received the award for helping students with English as a second language, for getting lots of praise emails and for always trying his best.



Four of the Special Award Winners

Mock exam timetable for Years 9, 10 & 11

DAY	9AM	11.15AM	2PM
Monday 8th December		Dance all day Room: Theatre No of students: 6 Textiles Exam all day for students with a clash Room: Studio 5 (Miss Colson)	
Tuesday 9th December		Art & Design all day Rooms: Studio 3 - Single Art & Design (Miss Medwid) Studio 4 - Applied Art & Design (Miss Pett & Miss Greenberg) Studio 5 - Textiles (Miss Colson) Studio 6 - Single Art & Design (Mr Smith) No of students: 90	
Wednesday 10th December		Art & Design all day Rooms: Studio 3 - Single Art & Design (Miss Medwid) Studio 4 - Applied Art & Design (Miss Pett & Miss Greenberg) Studio 5 - Textiles (Miss Colson) Studio 6 - Single Art & Design (Mr Smith) No of students: 90	
Thursday 11th December	English Paper 1 (1hr 45mins) Room: Sports Hall/12.1 No of students: All Year 11 & 22 Year 10 (fast track students)	Maths - Calculator Foundation - (1hr 30mins) Higher - (1hr 45mins) Room: Sports Hall/12.1 No of students: All Year 11	IT (2hrs) Rooms: 10.6, 12.2, 11.4, 9.4, 10.4, JC
Friday 12th December	Business Studies (1hr 45mins) Resistant Materials - (1hr 30mins) Media Studies (1hr) Year 10 Spanish - Reading & Writing (1hr 40mins) Room: Sports Hall/Gym No of students: 77	IT (2hrs) Rooms: 10.6, 12.2, 11.4, 9.4, 10.4, JC	Year 9 PE (1hr) Room: Sports Hall/Gym No of students: All Year 9
Monday 15th December	RS - Short Course (1hr 45mins) Room: Sports Hall/Gym No of students: All Year 11	Maths - Non Calculator Foundation - (1hr 30mins) Higher - (1hr 45mins) Room: Sports Hall/Gym No of students: All Year 11	Graphic Products - (1hr 30mins) Classical Civilisation - (1hr 30mins) History - (1hr) Room: Sports Hall/Gym No of students: 73
Tuesday 16th December	Citizenship Studies (1hr) Room: Sports Hall/Gym No of students: All Year 11 Year 10 Spanish - Listening Room: EAL (No of students 18)	English Paper 2 (1hr 30mins) Room: Sports Hall/Gym No of students: All Year 11 & 22 Year 10 (fast track students)	Economics Paper 1 - (1hr 30mins) Geography Paper 1 - (1hr 30mins) Year 10 English Lit (fast track students) (1hr) Room: Sports Hall/Gym No of students: 46
Wednesday 17th December	Economics Paper 2 - (1hr 30mins) Geography Paper 2 (1hr 45mins) RS - Full Course - (1hr 30mins) Room: Sports Hall/Gym No of students: 36	Economics Paper 2 (1hr 30mins) Geography Paper 2 (1hr 45mins) (For students that have a clash at 9am) No of students: 10 Year 10 PE - (1hr 45mins) No of students: All of Year 10s Room: Sports Hall/Gym	English Lit - (1hr) Room: Sports Hall/Gym No of students: All year 11

SCIENCE CORNER

WITH PROFESSOR WEEKLY



Good Morning Class! Time for your weekly quiz again! As always get your answers into Mr Gaza by Wednesday for your chance to win a fantastic prize at the end of term!

1. Organisms that can interbreed with one another?
2. The smallest unit capable of carrying out life functions?
3. An external skeleton that supports and protects an animals body?
4. Powerhouse of the cell?
5. The science of naming and classifying organisms?

Your clue for this week is:

1	2	3	4	5
S	C	E	N	T

GOOD LUCK!

The answers for last time were:
1: milky way, 2: evolution, 3: kinetic, 4: mercury, 5: venus flytrap

NOTICES...

High School Musical Auditions - The deadline for signing up for HSM is Tuesday 9th December. After this date everyone that has signed up for a main part will be called up for auditions.

Football Boots - Can students please bring in football boots for PE lessons so that they can have lessons on the grass, especially rugby.



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PRIMARY NEWS

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Christmas Productions

Primary Phase Christmas Productions for Parents will be in the Theatre on the following days.

Please enter through the Primary entrance. You will be directed to Primary Hall where a staff member will escort you to the Theatre at 9.05am and 2.10pm respectively.

Phase 2 - Music concert – Thursday 11th December at 9.15 am and 6.00 pm (tickets are needed for this show – please look out for the special letter)

Phase 1 - Christmas Production – Monday 15th December at 2.15 pm (no tickets needed)

Foundation Stage – morning Nursery and Red class - Tuesday 16th December at 9.30 am

Foundation Stage – afternoon Nursery and Blue class – Wednesday 17th December at 2.15 am

Please come and enjoy your child's performance.

WLAPSA Christmas Fayre

10th December from 2 till 6PM
in the Primary Hall.

Featuring:

- * a visit from Father Christmas!
- * Stalls, selling gifts ready-wrapped for Mum & Dad (or Auntie, Uncle, Nan & Grandad!), Christmas decorations (made by the children), wrapping paper, everything you need for a great Christmas!
- * Refreshments, including mince pies, soup, samosas & rice
- * Arts & Crafts, Badges, tatoos, snow globes, make your own cards
- * Pupils & Adults Raffle *

Children: bring a sealed envelope with £1 and your name and class, and hand it in to your teacher any time before the Fayre, or on the day. Adults tickets available on the day. Prizes include (for adults) a hamper and wine, and (for children) Argos gift vouchers and chocolate selection boxes.