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Vote for US President!

On November 4 the United States will vote for a new President! It promises to be a very close and exciting contest between senators Barack Obama of the Democratic Party and John McCain of the Republican Party.

WLA plans to get involved by giving every student the chance to vote for the candidate they would like to see as the next President.

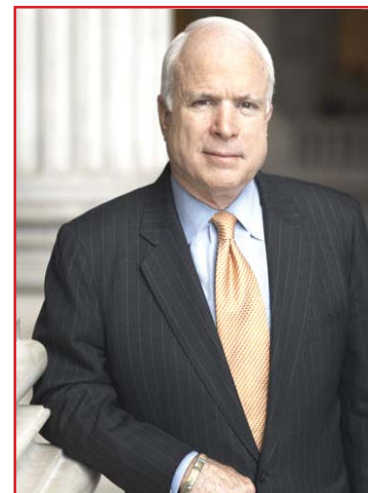
Today (Friday October 24) students have been invited to research the candidates and the parties they represent and to

speaking about why they support either Obama or McCain.

Votes will be counted using the House system and a week before the election each House will declare which candidate got the most votes.

As we have 3 Houses we are certain to get an overall winner. You never know WLA might even influence the real election! See the next edition of News Weekly for the results and Term Times for more coverage, coming soon!

• Please see Mr Goodwin if you would like to get involved.



Who will it be - Barack Obama or John McCain?

WELL DONE Edel



Congratulations to Edel from Year 11, who is October's winner of the Jack Petchey Award. Edel won the award for good citizenship and for showing a kind and caring attitude towards her fellow students and WLA staff.

Community Sports Centre

- Pay and Play football sessions on Tuesday & Thursday, 6-7pm (£1 only). Forms must be handed in to staff before any session can be undertaken.
- Pay & Play Netball will be arriving soon. See Mr Daneshi for all information on all our Pay & Play sessions.
- Watch this space for activities going on at the CSC over the October Half Term holiday (Football Camp, Climbing, Multi-Sports etc).
- 'New Fitness Suite' pay and play sessions started on Monday (13 October) from 5pm-5.45pm.
- 'Extreme Ability' and 'Sound Tennis' sessions are taking place at the Sports Centre every Saturday morning. Activities such as kurling, tri-golf, boc-cia, wheelchair football and blind & visually impaired tennis are held in the Sports Hall between 9.30-11am for young people and adults with disabilities. See Mr Ackrell for further details.
- If you would like to book a court or pitch after school then see Mr Ackrell or Mr Daneshi for more information.

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. A compound made when acids react with metals or bases.
2. Something used to describe how a material behaves.
3. Change of speed.
4. Another name for air resistance or water resistance.
5. Breathing out.

Your clue for this week is:

1	2	3	4	5
S	P	A	D	E

GOOD
LUCK!

The answers for last time were:
1: urethra, 2: stomach, 3: hydrochloric acid, 4: elastic, 5: resistance

There is a Maths homework club every Tuesday lunch time from 1:15-1:45pm in 9.3

'Time Out' to get a WLA makeover!

Take 10 Academy students, a famous magazine brand, a sprinkle of publishing professionals, and see just how high the bar can be set!

During Half Term WLA media hounds will be tasked with designing an A2 poster to be published as a fanzine-styled booklet in *Time Out* magazine. This will then be inserted into the year's biggest selling issue of *Time Out* – the Christmas double issue out December 19.

Students will work on everything from photo shoots, creating illustrations and mood boards, picture editing and researching. Finally they will get to design their own layouts for print.

From editorial brainstorming sessions and advertising pitches to design and layout, the students will have to learn fast on the job from professionals to produce a magazine that wows everyone who comes into contact with it.

Everyone at WLA is confident they're up to the task! Watch this space to see how they do!

Reminder... Reminder... Reminder... Reminder... Reminder...

- Monday November 3 is Professional Development Day - students return to the Academy on Tuesday November 4.
- Progress Day is on Friday November 2. Letters will arrive home next week along with their user name and password for ParentPay.



Muslims & their friends Lunch-time Club

All Staff and students Welcome

First session: What is Islam? What is a Muslim? Islamic manners.

Starting on Friday 7th November 2008 1:15 - 1:50pm and thereafter every Friday until Christmas break

See Mrs Chakar in Room 10.4 before school for a lunch pass



Puffapouches in stock

WLA students can now purchase from the Medical Welfare Office a Puffapouch - a trendy lightweight cover that holds your L-shaped asthma pump.

The PE department has already discussed the benefits with students, and the Academy strongly recommends that asthmatics taking physical exercise should purchase one for emergencies or as additional medication.

The Puffapouch can be worn during games. It is lightweight and comes with a lanyard so it can be

worn around the neck. The lanyard has an easy-to-break safety system making it safe to wear.

Made of durable materials it is washable and stops you losing lids so it's clean and hygienic. It also has an identification label so it can be personalised.

The Puffapouch comes in a variety of colours including red, pink, and camouflage.

A limited stock of blue is available. The Puffapouch is available from the Medical Welfare Office at a discount price of £3.99 (£4.99 retail).



Black History Month competition

Key Stage 4 students are invited to produce a detailed and descriptive piece of writing about a person who has made a difference to black history.

It does not matter if the person is dead or

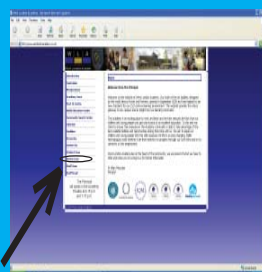
alive or whether they made their impact 10 or even 50 years ago. The only stipulation is that the person was born in the UK. All entries should be typed or neatly handwritten. Ms John will provide a box in the KS4

Office for all entries.

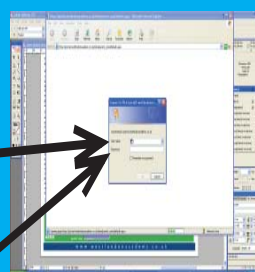
The winner will receive £20, and there will be separate winners for Years 10 and 11. The judges will be Ms John and Ms Rispoli. Competition closes Tuesday November 4.

Accessing the Parent Zone

Log on to www.west-londonacademy.co.uk and click on Parent Zone



To access the Parent Zone the user name is **wla/parent** and the password is **zone**



You are now in the Parent Zone!

