

Canons High School News

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A message from the Headteacher

Investors In People Award for Canons High School

On March 10th and 11th, we were reassessed against the new standards for the Investors In People Award. We were delighted to be re-accredited for this prestigious award. The Investors In People Award reflects our serious commitment to the professional development of all our staff and this has, without a doubt, contributed significantly to the continuing success of our school.

At Canons High School we aim to be first class. We want to be an outstanding school in every respect and the Investors In People Award is another piece in the jigsaw towards achieving that.

I would like to thank all staff at Canons High School. We are very proud of this achievement.

L. Rowlands



Canons High School Travel Plan – Annual Update

You might remember that travel surveys were carried out by the school in February 2007, which involved staff, parents, pupils and the support of local residents and governors. Responses were recorded and an action plan agreed which focused on encouraging the use of sustainable transport, ie cycling, walking and public transport, while also addressing health, pollution and environmental issues. The school is committed to the ongoing progression and development of the School Travel Plan and, one year on, following a further review of the original targets set, we felt it

was important to celebrate the progress we have made. With the help of parents, students, staff, local residents, governors and the Local Authority, the school has been successful in achieving the following:

- Receipt of a capital grant allocation of £8,560 to support school based initiatives
- Improvements to existing traffic islands on Camrose Avenue to enable groups of students to cross more safely Installation of speed humps in Turner Road to reduce speed of traffic and enable students to cross more safely
- Widening of the pavement to enable students to walk more safely
- Changing road markings and lining in some parts to reduce congestion
- New warning signs – to highlight restrictions and increase awareness of dangers
- Support from local community officers (PCSOs) at local bus stops and on buses during peak school times.
- Proposed installation of new, secure cycle storage facilities on school grounds (to coincide with 6th Form building developments)
- Bike Skills Sessions arranged for all students
- Car share proactively encouraged amongst staff
- Student involvement in the Carbon Challenge Roadshow – proactive approach to looking at school carbon emissions and how they could be reduced
- Briefing for staff - energy saving tips and reminders.

Thank you to everyone for all your help and support in achieving the above and in continuing to ensure that all journeys are made in safer, healthier and more sustainable ways. Watch this space for further initiatives coming soon. Thank you for your help and continued commitment.

Misha'al Nasser
School Manager

Andrea Callender
Head of Year 10



Viva la France!

Frogs legs, snails, garlic and berets were not on the agenda as 23 of Canons High School’s brightest and most dedicated students visited a Modern Languages revision conference in Westminster. The session was fascinating as several of the countries foremost speakers on French revision regaled the crowd with tips, techniques, tricks and advice. Their day included action, drama, music, art, history and ICT as the students were entertained in an enthralling cross curricular way that will live with them long after their GCSE exams have come and gone. The day must be considered a resounding success as some of the students quotes suggest:

“It was wicked, I now know the difference between my one two threes and my un, dos, trios!” (Suraj in 11JG)

“I really enjoyed the two French comedians, they were hilarious but at the same time they were also very informative” (Premesh Year 11)

“An interesting, extravagant, exiting, thoughtful, entertaining, elaborate, awesome, wicked day out! I’m glad I came” (Dettori Year 11)

“One of the best five courses I’ve ever been on, and that’s a fact” (Said Vipul in year 11)

“If you are in year 10 and reading this, you have to come next year. Its cool!” (Sahal 11JG)

An enjoyable and thoroughly professional academic day out. I think the students will benefit from the range of skills that the course highlighted. Hopefully the students will take some of this on board and will use these tips in their Final examinations in May.” (Mrs Grindrod) “Un cours très agréable, mais une histoire est toujours un sujet beaucoup plus intéressant!” (Mr Morrow after expanding his French vocabulary throughout the day)

Mr Morrow would like to thank Ms Grindrod for organising such a smooth day out.



Mr R. Morrow

Beat those Pans!

Over the last five years our girls at Canons High school have kept steel pans well-beaten, creating traditional Caribbean Calypso rhythms as well as popular contemporary music. Well it seems to be change over time as the Year 11 prepare for their GCSEs. Some rhythmic Year 9s are filling in the gaps left by Year 11 with their enthusiasm and commitment on Tuesday sessions after School.

9CW boys lead the way, but there is still room for other tuneful players. Why not come along next Tuesday after School and take part in this fantastic musical experience.

For more details contact: Mr Patterson

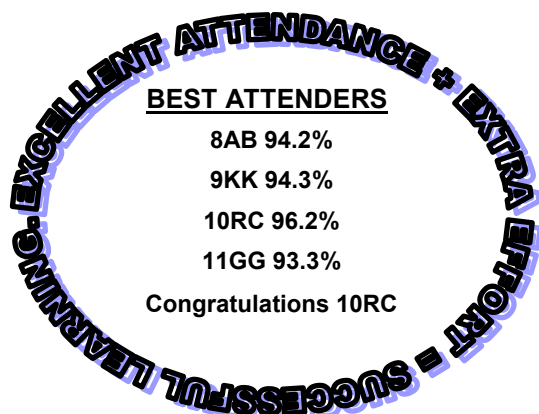


Ms I. Vidal

Salisbury Active kids Vouchers;

We have been successful in collecting over a thousand vouchers a year and have managed to order a number of pieces of equipment for the students including: agility ladders, netball bibs and walkie talkies. Please keep bringing in your vouchers as their donation makes a difference .

Ms A. Franklin



Bicycle Cycling Training

From Monday 26th May - Friday 30th May, Canons High School have the opportunity to run a Cycling Training School for up to 15 students. The cost will be £5.00 a day. If your child is interested in taking part in these Cycling Training sessions, please contact Ms A. Callender of the P.E Department before Friday 4th April

- Road safety
- Cycling manoeuvres
- Observation

