

Canons High School News

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A message from the Headteacher

Today with this Newsletter, a booklet titled "Proposals for Harrow Schools" published by Harrow Council is being sent to all families. It is a consultation document regarding the proposal for school reorganisation within Harrow to change the age of transfer to secondary education at 11+ years instead of the present 12+ years. Schools would change to become infant, junior, primary and secondary schools. A meeting will be held at the school later this term, for parents who would like to have further information and discussion on this important and exciting development.

Further to last week's Newsletter, I attach a letter with further details regarding the election of parent governors.

L. Rowlands

Science Club hits the bulls eye!

18 students from Year 8 and Year 9 got the chance to dissect bulls eyes at Science Club last Wednesday. Some of the students thought it was gross at the start, but everybody got really into it and were able to extract the lens of the eye and see the effect it had on a laser beam. The next Science Club will be on Wednesday 15th October and we will be making some homemade fireworks.



Subarthini 8NG, Lavanyah 8NG, Jazz 8NG
being assisted by Roshni 13RP



Monica 9HT and Esha 8NG with their third eyes

Mr Connolly – Science Department

European Day of Languages



On Friday 26th September Canons' students celebrated the European Day of Languages. In several different lessons, including Modern Language lessons, students were encouraged to celebrate and appreciate the many languages that they already speak through a range of activities organised by the teachers. From simply greeting their teacher in their home language, to researching the origins of common phrases, students enjoyed a change from their normal lesson. In Drama students had to act out a French song. In PE students were taught how to play Kabadi. In Science students completed a quiz based on famous European scientists. In French and Spanish lessons students were competing in teams to play "Who wants to be a Millionaire", answering questions about the different European countries, food, flags and language. GCSE French students enjoyed a cheese tasting session – Brie, Le Roulé, and Goats Cheese from the Loire Valley. Other departments took part too. It was a great day. All those involved really enjoyed the opportunity to do something a bit different.

Thank you to everyone who took part.



Ms Grindrod
Head of Modern Languages

Year 8 Team Building Day

I have had nothing but positive feedback from my tutor group about the bonding day and I myself thoroughly enjoyed the day! It gave me a real insight into the types of learners I have in my class which has helped me interact with and teach my tutor group in PSHCE and in art.

The students enjoyed all the activities but seemed to enjoy rock climbing the most, as they were able to do it in large groups and compete with each other. Some of the boys in my class were the most successful at these activities overall and I think it did wonders for their self esteem to be praised by their class for their achievements, both as individuals and more surprisingly as team players. I think activities like this for other such boys in the school should be considered.

Ms Gadd
Year 8 Tutor

Vishal Sengani

On 16th September my class mates and I were rock climbing which I really enjoyed because I overcame my fear of heights. Archery was fantastic because that was a once in a lifetime experience. When we did the puzzles we worked well as a team and that made the puzzle way easier. I think it was a incredible day!

Harshraj Rathod

On the 16th September we (8BR) along with the rest of the year group did activities such as rock climbing, archery and problem solving which included a lot of teamwork. This was good because it helped to bond us as a class. It was a chance that we will only get to do once. I wish that we could repeat this day again and again and again.

Deepali Kerai

On the 16th September we went out on the field and saw the sports crew set up the exciting equipment. There was archery, rock climbing and two activities of problem solving. I found archery and rock climbing very exciting because they are my hobbies. I hope it'll happen every year, then I'll really love this school. I really enjoyed it and simply loved it thank you.



Year 11 Post-16 Information Evening - Wednesday October 15th

All Year 11 parents and students are invited to attend the post-16 information evening at the school on Wednesday 15th October from 6.30 to 7.30 pm.

This is an opportunity to find out more about all options for next year, including information about Canons High School Sixth Form.

A huge range of courses and qualifications for students will be available and the choices that are made this year are very important. This evening offers the chance to hear about the various options and speak to teachers and careers advisors about the most appropriate choice for individuals.

I realise that this evening is during the Work Experience fortnight for Year 11 students, so would urge you to put the date in your diary now!

Karen Millar
Deputy Headteacher

Readers of the Month for September



8NG Osama Mahdi
9AB Yusuf Musse
10LM Vibakhar Srikandakumar
11AT Diksha Ramrekha
12BW Bhavisha Patel
13 HS Kavita Patel

Book of the Month for September

Snakehead by Anthony Horowitz

Ms Franklin
Librian

A further reminder to all Year 11 Parents

The parent teacher consultation evening is on 08th October from 5pm. All students have received appointment forms; they need to see all their teachers to make appropriate appointments. Please remind them especially if particular times are required.

Ms Callender
Head of Year

ATTENDANCE

8BR - 98.6%
9BM - 96.2%
10KK - 94.8%
11JC - 96%

Congratulations 8BR

