



As we welcome the warmth and sunshine of summer, it's a perfect time to reflect on the incredible achievements and exciting events that have made this term so special. In this edition, we celebrate our students' accomplishments, revisit the memorable moments we've shared, and look ahead to the plans that will continue to inspire and engage our learning community. Happy reading!

### BATTLE OF THE BANDS: A NIGHT OF MUSICAL EXCELLENCE AND COMMUNITY CELEBRATION

The first ever Battle of the Bands event took place on April 24 at 6:00 PM in the school Hall. The evening was a celebration of musical talent and community spirit, showcasing the dedication and creativity of our students. Doors opened at 5:30 PM, welcoming families and friends to enjoy refreshments in the Dining Hall before the performances commenced. Ten exceptional bands from various year groups had successfully advanced to the main event, each prepared to deliver an unforgettable show. Our panel of esteemed guest judges, alumnus Andrew Levy, known for his contributions to the band 'Brand New Heavies', and Lee Marchant, Deputy Head of the Ealing Music Service, brought invaluable expertise and enthusiasm to the event. Their presence added a special touch to the occasion, inspiring our young musicians and enriching the overall experience. Amidst the spirited competition, the band "Since Yesterday" emerged as the shining stars of the night, claiming the well-deserved title. Their outstanding performance and musical prowess impressed both the audience and the panel of judges. Congratulations to all the participants and heartfelt thanks to everyone who made this memorable event possible.



### BEHIND THE SCENES: DRAYTON MANOR HIGH SCHOOL'S INTENSIVE BATTLE OF THE BANDS REHEARSALS

On April 23, the school's halls were alive with the sound of music as talented students showcased their musical prowess in the first ever Battle of the Bands competition. In the weeks leading up to the event, our students poured their hearts and souls into intensive rehearsals, by fine-tuning their performances and perfecting their acts. The music department was a hive of activity during the gruelling rehearsal sessions, with students and teachers fostering a spirit of camaraderie and mutual encouragement. Each band brought a unique flavour to their rehearsals, by blending genres, experimenting with new sounds, and ultimately discovering their own distinctive voice. These rehearsal sessions were more than just preparing for a competition, they were about fostering a love for music and celebrating the diverse talents within our school community. It was inspiring to witness the growth and confidence of our young musicians as they prepared to take the stage.



### DRAYTON MANOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS SHINE AT ROYAL ACADEMY'S YOUNG ARTISTS' SUMMER SHOW

We are ecstatic to announce that the exceptional talents of our students have been recognised at the prestigious Young Artists' Summer Show at the Royal Academy of Arts. Out of over 21,500 submissions this year, two of our students' artworks were selected, bringing immense pride to our school. Giulia, a Year 7 student, achieved the remarkable honour of having her piece, Criceto Vitruviano, accepted for the online exhibition and the display at the Royal Academy. This unique artwork showcases

Giulia's incredible creativity and skill, standing out among thousands of entries. Our Year 8 students Mateusz, Ans, Muhammad, and Max have also made us proud with their collaborative sculpture, Cheesy Friendship. This imaginative piece has been accepted for the online exhibition, highlighting the power of teamwork and artistic collaboration. From July 16, we can all enjoy the 2024 Online Exhibition on the Royal Academy's website. In addition, the artworks selected for display, including Giulia's, will be showcased at the Royal Academy from July 16 to August 11. We encourage everyone to take this opportunity to support the fantastic achievements of our young artists.



Mateusz, Ans, Muhammad, and Max (Year 8)



Giulia (Year 7)





## WILKINSON SWORD ATHLETICS: CELEBRATING SUCCESS!

We are delighted to share the exciting achievements of our Junior (Years 8 and 9) and Intermediate (Years 10 and 11) athletes at the recent Wilkinson Sword competition, the esteemed Ealing Borough Trophy event for Athletics. A spirited team of 43 students, led by Mr. Bowman and Ms. Williams, journeyed to Perivale Park Athletics Track to represent our school against 15 other local schools. The competition was fierce, but our athletes rose to the challenge with remarkable enthusiasm and skill.

We extend our heartfelt congratulations to our Junior Boys, Intermediate Girls, and Intermediate Boys teams for securing 1st place in their respective competitions. Additionally, our Junior Girls demonstrated exceptional talent, securing a commendable third place overall in the Borough standings. Notably, our athletes achieved an impressive tally of 15 gold medals across the 48 events—a testament to their dedication and perseverance. A special thank you goes to our Sixth Form Students—Leo, Conor, Ali, and Katharine—for their invaluable assistance and support during the event. Looking ahead, our Year 7 athletes eagerly anticipate their chance to compete for the Wilkinson Sword on 7 June, and we wish them the very best of luck!

## DRAYTON MANOR HIGH SCHOOL TRIUMPHS IN THE JUNIOR MATHEMATICAL CHALLENGE 2024

We are thrilled to announce that our students have emerged victorious in the prestigious Junior Mathematical Challenge 2024. This outstanding achievement showcases the exceptional talent and dedication of our students in the field of mathematics. Among the highlights of this accomplishment, three of our students have excelled to such an extent that they have been invited to compete in the next level of the competition, the Junior Kangaroo 2024, which will take place on June 11, 2024.

A Special congratulations goes out to

- Masahiro, Year 7, who earned the title of Best in School
- Aisha, Year 8, recognized as the Best in Year
- Pranav, Year 8, who also demonstrated remarkable Mathematical prowess.

Their success in the Junior Mathematical Challenge is evidence to their hard work, passion for mathematics, and the support of our dedicated teaching staff. We wish Masahiro, Aisha, and Pranav the best of luck as they prepare for the Junior Kangaroo

2024. Congratulations to all our participants and best wishes for continued success in the upcoming competition!

## A BREAKFAST FOR CHAMPIONS: CELEBRATING OUR PE STUDENTS



Our talented athletes from last term's sports events, including the Middlesex Cross Country Championships, Middlesex Finals, Taekwondo Championship, and the London Youth Games, were recently honoured with a celebratory breakfast. This event, thoughtfully organized by the PE staff, aimed to recognise their fantastic winning streak, and inspire them to continue their hard work and dedication. The breakfast spread included a variety of baked goods, refreshing drinks, and plenty of cheerful smiles. It was a well-deserved reward for the athletes' perseverance and commitment, reflecting their incredible achievements. As they enjoyed the delicious feast, the occasion also provided a moment for them to bond and reflect on their success. This celebration not only acknowledged their accomplishments but also promoted a sense of camaraderie to strive for future victories.

## CELEBRATING EXCELLENCE: HONOURING OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS OF YEAR 7-13 STUDENTS



The Ethic of Excellence and Spirit of Endeavour Awards ceremony celebrated the brightest stars among the students from Year 7 to 13, honouring their unwavering dedication to academic excellence. Held in a festive atmosphere, the event saw exceptional scholars receiving certificates and proudly posing for photographs, capturing the

essence of their remarkable achievements. These snapshots will undoubtedly serve as cherished memories of a day filled with triumph and recognition. The ceremony not only highlighted the students' academic prowess but also their commitment and hard work throughout the year. The joy and pride on their faces were palpable as they walked up to receive their awards, a testament to their relentless pursuit of excellence. To mark this momentous occasion, the students were treated to a delectable spread of snacks. This fitting reward was a small token of appreciation for their dedication and effort. The array of treats added a celebratory note to the event, allowing the students to relax and enjoy the fruits of their labour. The Ethic of Excellence Awards ceremony stands as a significant milestone in the academic journey of these young scholars, celebrating their achievements and encouraging them to continue striving for excellence. It was a day of pride, joy, and recognition, a memorable chapter in their educational journey that will inspire them for years to come.

## SUCCESSFUL CYCLE MAINTENANCE WORKSHOP AT SCHOOL



On April 23, our school hosted an engaging Cycle Maintenance Workshop with Mr Jonathan Donald, Sustainable Transport Advisor (Schools) from the School Travel Team. This workshop was tailored for students who cycle to school or have a passion for biking. The event, which took place from 2:30 PM to 3:30 PM, provided valuable hands-on experience in bike maintenance. Students were encouraged to bring their bicycles to school for this interactive session. Under the guidance of experienced instructors, participants learned essential maintenance skills to keep their bikes in top condition. Our students had the opportunity to get their hands dirty as they learned how to perform basic maintenance tasks. From adjusting brakes to oiling chains, students gained practical skills that will serve them well in the future. Additionally, the workshop



covered the essential tools needed for bicycle maintenance and demonstrated how to use them effectively. The workshop was a great success, fostering a deeper understanding of bike mechanics and instilling confidence in students to tackle basic repairs on their own. We look forward to organizing more educational events like this in the future to promote cycling and empower our students with valuable life skills.

## KAMAL AHMED'S INSPIRING VISIT TO DRAYTON MANOR HIGH SCHOOL

Our recent Careers Event held on Friday, 3 May witnessed the assembly hall buzzing with anticipation as students from Year 10 and Year 12 eagerly awaited the arrival of our distinguished guest, Kamal Ahmed, a prominent alumnus and renowned journalist. Mr. Ahmed's illustrious career includes serving as the Editorial Director of BBC News, co-founding and leading The News Movement, and holding various other influential roles in journalism. His visit was not only a homecoming to his alma mater but also an opportunity for our students to engage with a true trailblazer in the field of journalism. During his keynote speech, Mr. Ahmed shared valuable insights into the world of media and journalism. He spoke passionately about the importance of integrity, curiosity, and adaptability in the ever-evolving landscape of news reporting. His words resonated deeply with our aspiring journalists and students interested in pursuing careers in communication. The event was a remarkable success, leaving students inspired and motivated to pursue their dreams.



## FROM DRAYTON MANOR TO GLOBAL MEDIA: AN EXCLUSIVE INTERVIEW WITH KAMAL AHMED

We were honoured to host Kamal Ahmed, a distinguished alumnus and renowned journalist, on Friday 3 May. In a special interview led by our fantastic students, Mr. Ahmed shares his insights and experiences, offering valuable lessons for our students.

**Q:** Your book, "The Life and Times of a Very British Man," explores both personal and societal themes. What motivated you to write it, and what message do you hope readers take away?

**KA:** Great question! My inspiration came from Barack Obama. When he became President of the United States, it resonated with me as a mixed-race man in the media. Writing an article for The Observer about this experience led to the opportunity to publish my book. It delves into my British story and the experience of being mixed-race, particularly during the 1980s. My parents' stories, especially my father's journey from Sudan and his achievements as a young Black African man, were central to the book. I hope it resonates with many people and offers them insights.

**Q:** As Political Editor of The Observer, you covered Tony Blair's premiership. What did you learn about the intersection of politics, media, and public perception during that time?

**KA:** Absolutely, there's a deep connection between public perception and media. At The Observer, which broadly supported Tony Blair, I learned the importance of not taking a singular viewpoint. Reflecting, it's crucial to consider multiple perspectives to avoid bias in public perception. I'm impressed with your generation's critical thinking skills. You have vast information at your fingertips. My advice is to seek diverse sources of information to navigate the world more effectively.

**Q:** Can you share a memorable story or moment from your journalism career that has left a lasting impression on you?

**KA:** One memory I cherish is helping to overturn a miscarriage of justice. I led the investigative journalism that proved someone's innocence, which was incredibly fulfilling. Journalism isn't just about reporting news; it's about amplifying the voices of those in need and making a real difference.

**Q:** What advice would you give to aspiring journalists and young individuals interested in pursuing a career in journalism?

**KA:** I encourage you to pursue journalism—it's a rewarding career. Be driven by the core values of journalism: helping people think and providing truthful information. Learn your trade, pursue formal education, and conduct thorough research. Understand your audience and how best to serve them with accurate, meaningful communication.



A heartfelt thank you to our dedicated student interviewers, Vishvendran, Joy, Minnie, Pranav, Hermione, and Georgia. Your efforts are greatly appreciated!

## RIISING FROM THE ASHES: DRAYTON MANOR HIGH SCHOOL'S BASKETBALL TEAMS' MAGNIFICENT TRIUMPH AT LONDON YOUTH GAMES



As we continue to celebrate the amazing achievements of our basketball teams at the London Youth Games. It's truly remarkable to witness the transformation of our basketball teams, especially considering the journey from losing the championship in the first round two years ago to now rising victorious with the Gold Medal (Senior Boys) and the Silver Medal (Junior Boys) at such a prestigious event. This success is akin to a phoenix rising from the ashes—a testament to their resilience and dedication.

**Q:** How does it feel to bring home the Gold Medal (Senior Boys) and the Silver Medal (Junior Boys) from such a prestigious event like the London Youth Games?

**MIKEL:** We worked nonstop and climbed from being knocked out first to winning and becoming gold champions of London. I feel like I am on top of the world!

**DANIEL:** It was amazing to bring back the title, which is such a big deal in London. We really worked hard for it.

**LINCOLN:** It feels great. We worked a lot, with many training sessions in the morning and after school.

**ALMAMY:** It feels great. We put in a lot of work as a team and really built that chemistry to win the competition. The excitement in those last few seconds after we won was unforgettable.





**TREY:** When you think about it, we got knocked out in the first round two years ago, but this year we came back strong, made it to the quarterfinals, and then the finals. Winning it was a great achievement.

**JOSEPH:** As Captain, it's a great feeling. It's bittersweet because two years ago we got knocked out in the first round, but it's great how we bounced back and managed to win.

**Q:** Can you share a memorable moment from the tournament that stands out to you?

**MIKEL:** The most memorable moment was celebrating our win together. We dunked the ball and jumped around in celebration. This win means a lot! We worked extremely hard, and Mr. Black and Mr. Vassie believed in us.

**DANIEL:** Yes, at the end of the tournament when we won, we all dunked the ball together. It was a great moment.

**LINCOLN:** I remember when we got through to the final. We all cheered and prepared for the next game to win the medal.

**TREY:** After the tournament, Ms Mills was there to watch our game, and we took a picture with everyone smiling. It was great.

**JOSEPH:** The final four days were fantastic. We woke up early, supported the junior team, and then played and won ourselves. It was a great day.

**Q:** How did your team prepare for such a high-stakes competition?

**DANIEL:** We put in a lot of hard work with multiple training sessions that helped our conditioning.

**LINCOLN:** We trained a lot, both before and after school, and I had extra training beyond the normal ones.

**ALMAMY:** Training together built our chemistry, which helped us play well together.

**TREY:** Many of us play for the same team outside of school, so we had numerous training sessions in and outside of school. We were always ready.

**JOSEPH:** A lot of training and commitment, both in and out of school. We all love basketball, which is what matters most and why we managed to win.

**Q:** What do you think was the key to your team's success in the tournament?

**Mikel:** Staying together, working as one, and never giving up. Believing that nothing could beat us.

**LINCOLN:** Teamwork. Everyone plays a role, and we can't miss anyone. Without them, we can't do anything.

**ALMAMY:** Playing together and building chemistry. Instead of playing individually, we played more as a team.

**JOSEPH:** A lot of commitment from all our

players. We don't just have two-star players; we've really got a special team.

**Q:** How has representing Drayton Manor High School in sports impacted your overall school experience?

**MIKEL:** It boosted my self-confidence in school and pushed me to go for things I wouldn't normally try.

**DANIEL:** Since we won the title, my confidence has really boosted and helped me with my GCSEs.

**Q:** What was the biggest challenge your team faced during the tournament, and how did you overcome it?

**MIKEL:** The biggest challenge was seeing the team that won the previous year and knowing we had to step up and win this competition together.

**Q:** What advice would you give to younger students aspiring to excel in basketball or any sport?

**MIKEL:** Whatever you do, don't give up because hard work always beats talent.

**DANIEL:** Never give up; hard work goes hand in hand with talent.

**LINCOLN:** Do what you love and never give up. Just go after it.

**JOSEPH:** I've always loved basketball, and that's how I got better. Loving the sport is key to improvement. I plan to carry this energy into future competitions.

**Q:** How do you plan to carry forward this energy into future competitions or seasons?  
**Mikel:** We have bigger goals. This is the biggest goal in Drayton Manor High School history, but we plan on winning Great Britain's national title.

**DANIEL:** I will keep doing the right thing with high intensity, which will give me another great outcome.

**Q:** What are your goals for the future, both individually and as a team?

**DANIEL:** Individually, I've learned that being selfish gets you nowhere. As a team, we've learned that staying together is best and to always have hope.

**Q:** Reflecting on your journey, what lessons have you learned individually and as a team that you believe contributed to your success?

**MIKEL:** One of the biggest lessons is that there's no "I" in team and no "me" in basketball.

**Q:** How does this victory inspire you to set new goals for yourselves and your team moving forward?

**MIKEL:** This victory has boosted us academically and physically, opening new doors and bigger goals.

**JOSEPH:** It's given me a good level of confidence in everything I do, not only in

basketball. It's something I'll always look back on and remember.

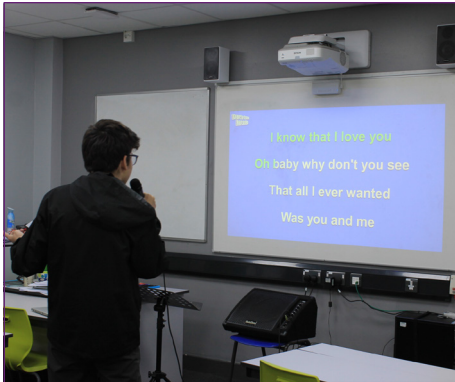
### A MAGICAL EVENING AT THE PEGASUS HOUSE SUPPER

Last year's House Cup winners, the Pegasus House, were treated to a memorable afternoon at the annual House Supper held on Tuesday, 30 April and Wednesday, 1 May. This special event served as a grand celebration of the previous year's victorious house, offering a chance to reminisce on achievements and revel in house pride. Students from Pegasus House spanning Years 8 to 12 (last year's Year 7-11) eagerly awaited their invitations to this exclusive gathering. The hall was transformed into a spectacle of yellow and gold, the signature colours of Pegasus. The ambience echoed a magical theme reminiscent of the wizarding world, with floating candles illuminating the ceiling—activated by the enchanting spell 'Lumos,' marking the commencement of the House Supper. Adding to the charm of the evening, the winners of the Encore-Ealing Music Service Battle of the Bands showcased their musical talents, serenading the assembled students with captivating performances. The highlight of the night came as students gathered with friends and supportive staff to enjoy a sumptuous meal, surrounded by their house mascots and, most importantly, the revered House Cup—a symbol of their collective accomplishment and unity. The House Supper was a delightful affair, filled with camaraderie, music, and culinary delights, offering a fitting tribute to the achievements and spirit of Pegasus House. Here's to another year of house pride and success!





## CELEBRATING MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS WEEK WITH 'MOVING FOR OUR MENTAL HEALTH'



This term's Mental Health Awareness Week, held from May 13 to 17, was a meaningful time for our school. Embracing the theme of 'Moving for Our Mental Health,' we hosted a series of engaging events that promoted mental health awareness. The week kicked off with invigorating movement and breathing exercises led by Ms. Zygmunt before school. These sessions set a positive tone for the day, helping students and staff alike start their mornings with energy and focus. Following this, our tutor time programme featured relaxation sessions, offering a serene break in the day, and teaching valuable relaxation techniques. Ms. Stavrianakos led a lively Just Dance session that had everyone on their feet and smiling. Throughout the week, creativity flourished as students, guided by Ms. Jenkins, our librarian, crafted colourful paper chains. These chains symbolized our collective commitment to supporting mental health and served as a visual reminder of the importance of it as well. The week culminated in a series of fun games for some of our younger students, after school on Friday with Mr. Allouche. A special mention goes to our dedicated student well-being

ambassadors who played a crucial role in co-leading, organizing, and running each activity. Through these diverse initiatives, our Mental Health Awareness Week encouraged physical activity and highlighted the vital importance of mental wellness in our school.

## ONGOING EFFORTS FOR OUR LOCAL FOOD BANK APPEAL

This half-term, our school has continued its dedicated drive to raise awareness and support for the local food bank appeal. Under the enthusiastic guidance of our Tutor Council Representatives and House Captains, students have been encouraged to donate non-perishable items to help those in need within our community. The response has been heartwarming, with many generous contributions already collected. Our collection efforts will continue throughout the summer term, ensuring we can make a substantial donation before the summer holidays. This initiative reflects our school's commitment to community service and the spirit of giving. By working together, we are making a significant difference in the lives of those who rely on the food bank. Thank you to everyone who has contributed so far, and let's keep up the fantastic effort!

## SPECIAL ASSEMBLY WITH DAVID DEIN MBE INSPIRES YEAR 10 AND 12 STUDENTS



On Tuesday, May 7, Drayton Manor High School was privileged to host a special assembly with the esteemed David Dein MBE, a figure synonymous with football excellence and visionary leadership. The event, attended by our Year 10 and 12 students, was an exceptional opportunity to learn from one of the most influential personalities in the football world. David Dein's illustrious career includes serving as vice-chairman of Arsenal from 1983 to 2007, during which he played a pivotal role in the club's development. His contributions were not confined to Arsenal alone; he was also instrumental in the establishment of the Premier League in 1992, a move that revolutionized English football. During the assembly, Mr. Dein captivated

the students with his extensive knowledge and rich experiences from his time at Arsenal and his broader contributions to football. His engaging storytelling and deep insights into the sport provided a unique learning experience, illustrating the importance of vision, leadership, and perseverance. Mr. Dein's visit extended beyond the formal assembly.



Demonstrating his generous and approachable nature, he took the time to personally autograph DVDs and pose for photographs with both staff and students. These interactions added a personal touch to the event, making it a memorable experience for everyone involved. David Dein's visit was more than just a highlight in the school calendar; it was an inspiring encounter that left a lasting impact on the students at Drayton Manor High School. Meeting such a distinguished figure in the football industry provided the students with a tangible connection to the broader world of sports and leadership. This was a remarkable event that provided invaluable inspiration to the students at Drayton Manor High School. His visit underscored the importance of vision, resilience, and leadership, qualities that are essential for success both on and off the field.



## INSPIRING FUTURES: SANJAY SINGHAL'S ENGAGING CAREERS TALK AT DRAYTON MANOR HIGH SCHOOL

On Wednesday, May 8, Drayton Manor High School welcomed back a distinguished alumnus, Sanjay Singhal, for a captivating Careers Talk. Sanjay Singhal, the Chief Executive of Voltage TV and an award-winning executive producer with over two decades of experience in the television industry, shared his journey from a student at Drayton Manor





to a successful media professional. The event was a special treat for the Year 9 students, who had the unique opportunity to hear firsthand about Mr. Singhal's experiences and the path that led him to his current success. His talk was not just a recounting of his career milestones but also a reflection on the pivotal role that his education at Drayton Manor played in shaping his ambitions and work ethic. Mr. Singhal began by reminiscing about his time at Drayton Manor, sharing anecdotes that highlighted both the challenges and triumphs of his school years. He emphasized the importance of seizing opportunities, being resilient in the face of setbacks, and staying curious. The talk was far from a one-way monologue. Mr. Singhal's dynamic and engaging speaking style captivated the students, making the session both informative and entertaining. He shared behind-the-scenes insights into some of the popular TV shows produced by Voltage TV, providing a glimpse into the creative and logistical aspects of television production. His story served as a powerful reminder that with dedication and the right mindset, they too can achieve their dreams.



## EXPLORING FUTURES AT THE UCAS FAIR

The UCAS Fair offered a remarkable opportunity for Sixth Form students to explore their future career paths, providing an in-depth insight into various options in a fun and interactive environment. Held at the Custom House and the Excel Centre, the fair transformed into a vibrant hub where students could gather information and enjoy the experience simultaneously. Attendees were showered with freebies like tote bags, stress balls, pens, and notebooks, adding a tangible element of excitement to the event. However, the true value lay in the knowledge gained. Students delved into the specifics of different courses and discovered what each university had to offer. For those whose interests extended beyond traditional university pathways, the fair also showcased various apprenticeship opportunities, helping students plan their futures with greater clarity and confidence.



The professional atmosphere of the venue complemented the informative sessions, creating a memorable experience from start to finish. Students expressed their enthusiasm for the event, with many stating they would love to attend again. They left the fair feeling well-informed and confident in their decisions about which courses to apply for and what to expect from different universities, including their teaching methods, campus environments, and social settings. Overall, the UCAS Fair proved to be an invaluable resource, equipping students with the tools and knowledge needed to navigate their post-sixth form journeys with assurance and excitement.



## A MUSICAL JOURNEY: DRAYTON MANOR STUDENTS FIND INSPIRATION WITH THE MOZARTISTS

We recently had the pleasure of hosting a unique and inspiring event featuring guests from The Mozartists. The talented group included singers Rob and Georgia, and

composer Joe, who led workshops designed to immerse the students in the world of classical music and opera. The Mozartists conducted two dynamic workshops: the first for Years 7 and 8, and the second for Year 9. Each session was crafted to encourage creativity and engagement with the timeless works of Mozart.

In these workshops, students had the opportunity to compose a brief response to an Aria from Mozart's beloved opera, *The Marriage of Figaro*.



Following the performance, students collaborated with Joe and Rob on an exciting project involving writing lyrics and composing music. The workshops were a hive of activity, with students enthusiastically participating and bringing their unique perspectives to the creative process. The experience of getting into character and expressing themselves through music and lyrics was both enjoyable and educational, offering a new way to appreciate and engage with classical music. Students left the workshops with a newfound appreciation for opera and classical music, having had the chance to step into the shoes of Mozart's characters and tell their stories in their own words.



## CELEBRATING OUR BOROUGH LEAGUE AND CUP ACHIEVEMENTS

Congratulations to all the talented students who represented our school in the Borough League and Cup competitions this season! Their dedication and sportsmanship have truly shone through, leading to remarkable performances and impressive results across all age groups. Here are the highlights from this season's competitions-

### Under 13 1st XI League Division 2:

Our Under 13 team exhibited exceptional skill and teamwork, securing second place in



Division 2 of the League. Their strategic play was evident in every match, and their runner-up position is a proof to their hard work and dedication throughout the season.

## Under 15 1st XI League Division 2:

The Under 15 team emerged as champions in Division 2 of the League. Finishing in first place, they demonstrated outstanding performance and resilience. This victory reflects the hours of training and the unwavering commitment of the players and coaches alike.

## Under 18 2nd XI League:

Our Under 18 2nd XI team also had a fantastic season, finishing in second place in their league. Their ability to compete at such a high level against strong opposition is commendable. The players' determination and team spirit were crucial in securing their position as runners-up.

## Year 7 1st XI Cup:

The Year 7 team put forth a valiant effort in the Cup competition, finishing in second place. Their enthusiasm and potential were on full display throughout the tournament. Their achievement as runners-up is a promising indication of the bright future ahead for these young athletes.

## AN EXCITING SEASON AHEAD FOR OUR ROUNDERS TEAMS



We are excited to announce that students from Years 7 to 10 are competing in the Borough Rounders Leagues and Tournaments this year. With a strong turnout at Rounders Club every Tuesday, our teams are well-prepared and eagerly anticipating a successful season. The dedication and enthusiasm displayed by our students in training sessions have been remarkable. Rounders Club has seen impressive attendance, with players honing their skills and building strong team dynamics under the guidance of our committed coaches. This preparation is set to pay off as we head into the competitive season. The first League matches of the season were scheduled for Wednesday, 15 May, where our teams faced off against

Brentside High School. This opening match promised to be an exciting start to the season. Our players are ready to give their best performance, showcasing their talent and teamwork. We wish all our players the best of luck for the upcoming matches and the entire season. Go team!

## CRICKET SEASON KICKS OFF WITH EXCITING MATCHES AHEAD

This term marks the beginning of a stimulating cricket season as club training commenced at our school playing fields. Our cricketers have been diligently preparing, and the energy on the field was palpable. The Under 13 and Under 15 teams geared up for their first matches of the season against William Perkin. The Under 13 team took place on the field on 22 May, followed by the Under 15 team on 23 May. These matches were highly anticipated and set the tone for what promised to be a thrilling season. Our players have shown remarkable dedication in their training sessions, working on their skills, strategies, and teamwork. The commitment and effort put forth by both the players and coaches have been commendable, and we are confident that it will translate into strong performances in their upcoming matches.

## THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT

We would like to wish all our students and their families a wonderful holiday! We will be back with more updates and activities in the Summer Term. See you on Monday, April 15.

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END OF SUMMER HALF TERM - 24 MAY  
FIRST DAY SUMMER TERM - 3 JUNE

## EVENTS FOR THE FIRST TWO WEEKS BACK

Year 10 British Army Day (X Half) – 3 June  
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Year 10 human fieldwork to the museum of London Docklands- 4, 5, 11 June  
Year 6 Induction Meeting - 24 June  
Hanwell Trail for Year 7 - 26 June  
Year 6 Induction Day Rehearsals - 27 June  
Year 6 Induction Day - 27 June  
Year 11 into 12 Induction Day - 1 July  
Parent Event - 2 July  
UCAS Day - 3 July  
Sports Day - 5 July  
Year 8 Fun Day - 11 July  
Year 10 Physical fieldwork to the River Amersham - 11, 12, 17 July  
END OF TERM - 24 July

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