



CARSHALTON HIGH SCHOOL FOR GIRLS

CHSG GOLD NEWSLETTER



Excellence: everywhere, every day

January 2025



Dear Parents/Carers,

Firstly, a very Happy New Year to you all. We are so excited to welcome the students back to what promises to be another exciting and jampacked term.

Welcome to our CHSG Gold Newsletter for the Autumn Term and the first edition of the school year. This newsletter is to recognise and celebrate all that students have achieved over the last term.

The students really have had a fantastic term and have been involved in a huge number of competitions, performances, events and celebrations which we are delighted to share with you.

They have also continued to thrive academically with some excellent results in their exams. It has been wonderful to see their effort and dedication to their learning. We wish Year 8 and 9 good luck with their upcoming exams next week.

I would like to say a huge congratulations to everyone who has received Golden Tickets, Subject Certificates and Stars, as well as all of those whose teachers nominated them for Every Day Star awards at the end of term. We hope to recognise everyone's efforts within and beyond the classroom, as well as outside school. If there is something you would like to share for our next Gold newsletter, please contact either your daughter's Head of Year or Mrs Zghari, our Communications Manager, at Izghari@carshaltongirls.org.uk.

I hope you enjoy the newsletter!

Miss Jones
Assistant Headteacher



Golden Tickets

Teachers award ONE Golden Ticket each lesson. This can be for excellent work, effort, attitude to learning or improvement in class. The Golden Tickets are rewarded at the end of each lesson and the reward is celebrated. The winner of the highest number of Golden Tickets each term wins a £10 Amazon gift card.



Congratulations to the following students who achieved the most Golden Tickets in their year in the Autumn Term:

Year 7	Adhira P, 7B2	248
Year 8	Hanishga P, 8B2	216
Year 9	Manya M, 9G2	203
Year 10	Teodora A, 10R2	143
Year 11	Jazbah T, 11R2	98
Year 12	Chloe L, 12G1	67
Year 13	Amber T, 13Y1	62





Golden Tickets

Afternoon tea

The top ten Golden Ticket winners in each year group were invited to our autumn term afternoon tea. Students enjoyed sweet treats and music during afternoon tutor time. Well done to all students who have received an invite to the Golden Ticket Afternoon Tea, the next event will be held in the spring term.





House Achievement Points Stars

Each term, we give out certificates and badges for students who have received their Bronze, Silver and Gold Star awards in recognition for the number of House Achievement Points (HAPs) they have gained. We look forward to giving out more stars, to be worn on blazers, later this term. A huge well done to all our star winners.

HAPS	Gold 150+	Silver 100+	Bronze 50+
Year 7	23	119	128
Year 8	14	61	154
Year 9	6	31	139
Year 10		8	117
Year 11			50
Total	43	219	588



House Events update

House Events	Date	Red House	Yellow House	Green House	Blue House
European Day of Languages	Sept	10	20	5	15
McMillan Coffee Morning	Sept	5	15	20	10
Black History Month Competition	Oct				
CHSG Geographical Society Logo	Oct	20	5	10	15
Wear it Pink- Breast Cancer	20th Oct	10	20	5	15
Divali Photography	Nov	15	10	20	5
Day of the Dead Make-Up	Nov	5	20	15	10
Christmas Hampers	Dec	10	5	20	15
Total points for Whole year		75	95	95	85

School Values



At CHSG there are five school values. We believe that these values contribute to ‘Cultural Capital’ that will equip our students to become future citizens of the community. They will enable the students to champion change in society and be guided by a strong sense of discipline and moral purpose. Students are rewarded with House Achievement Points reflecting when they particularly display any of the School Values.

We are currently reviewing our school values to ensure they truly reflect the needs and experiences of our students along with the priorities for both parents and staff. Please do have your say about school values by [completing this form](#).



Every Day Star Recognition

At the end of each term, we as a school like to celebrate the excellence we see in our classes by issuing an Every Day Star reward which is emailed to parents. Below are some of the lovely comments our students have received from their subject teachers throughout the Autumn Term.

Year 7

"P is a lovely, well mannered student who is keen to take part in discussions, being consistently inquisitive and generally a warming presence in the classroom. She makes it clear to those around her that taking risks in the classroom is a valuable trait to have, which creates a positive learning environment for herself and others around her "

"L is an enthusiastic student who is always keen to share ideas, works well with others, and contributes well in class discussions. Her kindness to others does not go unnoticed. She has worked really hard this term, and is a positive role model to those around her. Well done L, keep up the good work! "

"I very much appreciate F's cheery disposition and positive attitude in English lessons. She is attentive to the ideas of others and made some interesting contributions to discussions. I particularly enjoyed her reflections on the characters in The War Horse play. "

Year 8

"Amazing work this entire half term, beautiful presentation in your workbook and most importantly, you smashed your mid-unit assessment! You were able to analyse writers methods in detail by zooming in

on specific words and reinforced this with comments on structure! I've been blown away by your effort and progress, keep it up! "



"S has worked really hard in her football lessons this term. She always arrives with a positive attitude to learning, works really well with those around her, and contributes well in class discussions. S's passing and awareness of the game has really improved. Well done S, keep up the good work!"

"E never backs down from a challenge. There have been some tricky tasks in our history unit, and E has shown consistently that she is willing to take risks. This trait means that the learning environment around her is one where others know that it is okay to make mistakes, and encourages others around her to take risks. This is very much appreciated and will continue to serve her well."





Every Day Star Recognition

Year 9

"S has been fabulous in English so far - she is constantly providing a thoughtful answer to the questions and challenges we discuss and engage with. She hasn't hesitated to read or to provide a response when questioned and this positive engagement will take her far. She has been an absolute pleasure to teach and I know will continue to do fantastically well."

"L is a super focused student who always goes above and beyond in her work. She has great enthusiasm for the subject and has already begun thinking beyond the specification and has made some very valuable contributions to lessons. She should keep up the great work and continue to be an amazing role model for her peers!"

"H has a real passion for learning and this is shown in her Geography lessons especially. H is always eager to learn more and this is evident through the questions she raises, and her extended prose in responses from questioning. Keep up the good work!"

Year 10

"M's participation as well as academic ability is fantastic. She consistently makes it obvious that she is present, engaged and challenging herself. Her knowledge is exceptional, and the effort she consistently puts in serves herself well, as well as the class - showcasing how to think like a historian, being critical and making links with prior knowledge."

"A is a reliable and hardworking student who will always give everything a go. She gets on with her work well and will always give

great contributions when called upon. She is never afraid to try and is a pleasure to have in class! She has great enthusiasm for the subject and is always eager to do well. Keep it up!"

"L has a hugely positive attitude in Media lessons, she works hard and has produced some excellent work this year. It's really pleasing to see how her approach to work has matured as she's moved into Year 10, I'm really pleased she has made such a good start to the year."

Year 11

"Well done to E who works so hard every single lesson, always does the right thing and does so with a smile. It is a delight to teach her, and I remain incredibly impressed with her progress in such a short period of time. She is an example to other students, and will do incredibly well. It is amazing how far she has come in learning English and also adapting to a new way of studying. I am so proud of her."



Every day star



Every Day Star Recognition

"A has consistently shown her willingness to attempt every activity to the best of her ability. She never backs down from a task, and genuinely puts in her best effort at all times. She never lets 'not knowing' an answer from stopping her from giving it her best shot, and this certainly does not go unnoticed and will serve her well in future lessons. "

"L's hugely engaged in Media lessons and always ready with a highly insightful contribution that helps move the whole class's learning on. I continue to be incredibly impressed with her maturity, commitment and enthusiasm. This is particularly impressive as she started the course later than other students. She's doing really well in Media Studies."

Year 12



"S-M is always very focused and attentive in lessons and will always have great contributions when cold called upon. She gives 110% to everything she does and is very diligent to ensure she has completed all work to the highest possible standard. She is well organised and an asset to the class!"

"I has made a really great start to Child Development in Year 12. It is evident from her work that she is keen to do well and has begun to secure her knowledge around

the context begin discussed. It has been a pleasure to teach her, keep it up!"

"Well done to E for an amazing performance on the recent UKMT Maths Challenge, She has done incredibly well, and has achieved the best mark in the school. I am very proud of her."

Year 13



"B deserves recognition for being such a great student. She works hard and is always resilient. Her efforts are paying off and she is seeing much-deserved success. As well as being hard-working, B is an absolutely wonderful human being who is kind and compassionate to everyone around her. Keep it up!"

"Well done to J so far this year. I wanted to award her an Everyday Star recognition for her continual commitment to her studies, her reliability and her maturity when it comes to her work. She is a pleasure to teach and these qualities will really be useful when she begins university life. Well done again!"

"F is a pleasure to have in class. She is always focused and gets on with work without any issues. She will ask for clarification when she needs it but will always give everything a go, and isn't afraid to contribute to class discussions, even if she is not 100% sure! Keep up the great work ethic"



Academic Distinctions

Academic Distinctions are awarded to students who have done really well in the subject. This is for consistency or for a student who has shown really strong recent improvement and excellence in a subject.

Well done to the following students for their academic distinctions in the Autumn term.

Year 7

Nusaibah A	7B2	DT
Aaima A	7G1	RE
AmeliaB	7Y1	Citizenship
Emily B	7B3	Geography, Computer Science and Physics
Sophie B	7R1	Biology
MaddyB	7G3	French
MeganC	7B2	Art
Daisy D	7G2	PE and DT
Vivian E	7B3	Computer Science and Chemistry
Chloe E	7Y2	Dance
Nicole G	7Y2	History
Frances H	7Y1	Biology and PE
Halle H	7G2	DT
Maghisha I	7B1	English
Daniella J	7Y2	Computer Science
Sarah J	7Y1	RE
Lillian K	7B3	Music
Chelsea K	7G1	English
Eleanor K	7R2	French
Lucia L	7G3	Art
Jessica-Rose L	7G1	DT
Olivia M	7R1	Chemistry
Annabelle M	7G1	Geography
Sophie O	7B2	History
Akua S	7Y1	Citizenship
Elise S	7B2	Music

Aisha S	7Y2	Drama
Preila V	7Y1	Drama
Abby W	7B1	Physics
Marni W	7B1	Dance
Ece Z	7B1	Art

Year 8

Keera B	8Y2	Computer Science
Darcy B	8Y1	DT
Lilly B	8R3	Religion
Amelia D	8R3	Dance and Geography,
Amelia D	8B1	PE
Maryam E	8B2	Maths
Anaiah F	8G2	Drama
Anna G	8R3	Biology and Chemistry
Isha J	8R2	Religion
Sierra J	8R2	Maths
Alexis L	8B1	Geography
CeciliaL	8Y3	French
Isabella L	8R2	Physics
Amelia L	8R2	Music and Physics
Marli L	8R2	Chemistry
Amelie P	8Y3	PE
Janisri Sai P	8B1	Music
Poppy R	8R2	History
SuvethaR	8B1	Spanish
Mathuraa S	8Y3	Computer Science
Isis S	8Y1	Citizenship
Sharni S	8G1	Drama
Hollie T	8R1	History and DT
MollieT	8G2	English
Zehui Z	8Y1	Biology



Academic Distinctions

Year 9

Princy A	9Y1	Business
Aliyana A	9R1	Geography
Hibbatul B	9B3	Physics
Zoe C	9Y2	Animal Care Chemistry
Esme C	9Y2	Biology
Rhia-Mai D	9B1	Dance
Lilly H	9Y1	PE and Spanish
Alice J	9G1	Dance
Saanuja J	9Y2	Religion
Thiviya K	9R2	PE
Falisha K	9B3	Sociology
Tukshika K	9B3	Sociology
Jasina K	9G2	Sociology
Sumayyah K	9B1	Religion
Tanu K	9Y2	Biology
Yvette K	9B3	English
ArchitaaK	9R2	Hospitality & Catering
Kayla L	9B3	Drama
Naeto O	9Y1	Chemistry and Physics
Anaika P	9Y2	Textiles
Sophie P	9Y1	Animal Care
Anaiya P	9G1	DT
Ameya P	9Y2	French
Luxsana R	9B3	Business
Charlotte R	9R2	History and Music
Lexie R	9R1	History
Fatiha S	9B2	Geography
Tasmia S	9R1	Sociology
Shore S	9G1	Music
Maisie T	9B1	Child Development
Varshni T	9G2	Citizenship
Avnee V	9Y1	Drama
Amirah Z	9Y2	Child Development

Year 10

Tracey A	10Y2	French
Emma A	10R1	Computer Science and English
Laura B	10G2	Animal Care

Sabahat B	10R1	Religion
Sophie C	10Y2	Music and Physics
Isabella D	10G2	Sociology
Millie E	10B1	Drama
Jean F	10B2	Drama
Martha-Scarlet G	10G2	Child Development and Chemistry
Bethia G	10B2	Textiles
Sofia G	10Y1	Spanish
Caitlyn H	10R2	Child Development
Leyla K	10R2	Religion and Biology
Dharuna Sri K	10Y1	Physics
Zahra K	10Y2	Hospitality & Catering
Riya L	10Y2	Biology
Eva L	10G1	Physics
Kendra M	10B1	History
Leila M	10R1	Maths
Grace M	10R1	Animal Care
Esther O	10Y2	Geography
Candace O	10R1	Physics
Alex P	10R2	PE
Sophia P	10Y2	Business
Eva P	10Y1	Computer Science
Aishwarya R	10R2	Sociology
Taliah R	10R2	Physics
Imogen R	10Y1	Geography
Lottie R	10R1	History
Sofia S	10R2	Maths
Martha S	10B1	Music
Sankavy S	10G2	Art
Olivia S	10B2	Dance
Abishanaa T	10B2	Citizenship
Sreiya U	10G1	Business
Emily W	10G2	Textiles
Nina Z	10Y2	Chemistry

Year 11

Naima A	11G1	Geography
Niamh A	11G1	French
Skye B	11R2	Drama
Caitlyn B	11Y2	Child Development
Scarlett B	11R1	PE



Academic Distinctions

Yi Nuo C	11B2	Business
Arshia F	11R2	Religion
Kamira H	11B2	Drama
Aaminah H	11R1	Music and Sociology
Jamika J	11B1	DT
Imogen L	11B2	French and English
Larena L	11Y2	Spanish
Niamh M	11G1	Music
Summer M	11G1	Dance
Olivia P	11Y2	Religion
Nicol R	11Y1	Geography
Olivia R	11Y1	Physics
Jolene S	11B1	Photography
Skyhii S	11G1	Chemistry
Gabriella T	11Y1	Sociology
Polly T	11Y2	History, Biology, Chemistry and English
Emily U	11Y2	Dance
Taya W	11R2	History
Lillie W	11G1	Citizenship
Chloe W	11Y1	Child Development
Joyce W	11Y2	Biology, Business and Physics

Year 12

Precious A	12R1	Philosophy
TanzeelaA	12G1	Psychology
Sharon C	12R1	Biology
Matilda C	12Y1	Geography
Izzy D	12R1	Child Development
Millie G	12Y1	Law and Criminology
Karnika G	12G1	Chemistry
Rida H	12B1	Business
Manishi J	12R1	Physics
Zoe J	12Y1	Health & Social care
Zeynep K	12B1	Business
Chloe L	12G1	PE

Mariam O	12Y1	Politics
Teeya P	12B1	Geography and Biology
Hatti P	12Y1	Sociology and English
Fatima R	12R1	Politics
Imani R	12B1	Sociology
Aatiga S	12G1	Health & Social care
Eliza S	12Y1	History and Chemistry
Ezel S	12R1	Physics
Grace S	12G1	History and Criminology
Jasleen W	12G1	Philosophy
Karolina W	12B1	Child Development
Malika Z	12Y1	Geography and Law

Year 13

Mathuraangany A	13G1	Health & Social care
Maria A	13R1	Business and Psychology
Connie B	13B1	History
Thanika B	13R1	Biology
Andželika C	13R1	Philosophy
Emily C	13B1	Sociology
Rebecca D	13R1	Law
Ananya M	13R1	Criminology and Psychology
Namya P	13G1	Business
Abbie P	13R1	Sociology
Karthiha R	13Y1	Biology and Chemistry
Sophia R	13R1	Politics
Beatrice S	13G1	Philosophy
Humda S	13Y1	Chemistry
Ceren T	13B1	Criminology
Amber T	13Y1	History Physics
Caitlin W	13B1	Politics English
Katie W	13R1	Health & Social care and Physics
Daisy Y	13G1	Law



Subject Achievements

Psychology

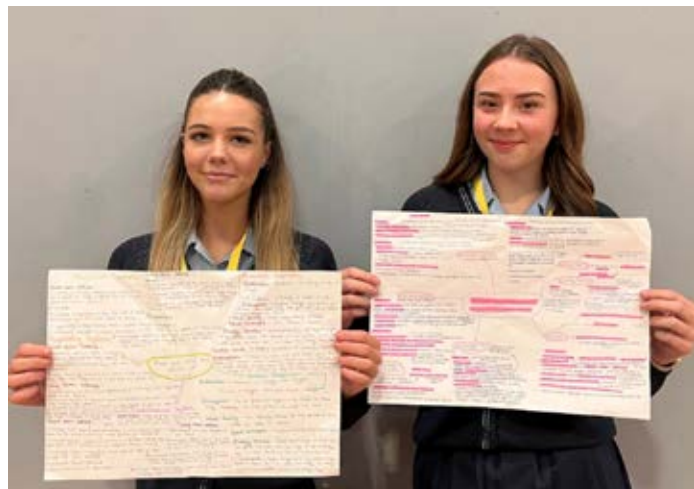
Congratulations to Elif, Tanzeela, and Sharon on your outstanding results in the recent Year 12 Psychology mocks! Your hard work, dedication, and determination over the last term has paid off, and these achievements are a testament to your efforts. Be proud of what you've accomplished, as it sets a strong foundation for even greater success in future assessments. Well done, and keep up the fantastic work!

PE

The PE Department would like to celebrate the success of a number of Year 10 students. These students have been identified by their class teachers for their consistent hard work, enthusiasm and engagement this term. All of them achieved excellent scores in their Autumn examination.

Kendra M
Phoebe H
Marnie C

The Year 11's had the task of mind mapping the short and long term adaptations that take place to each of the system of the body during exercise as part of their end of unit revision. Here is an example of Evie C and Abi P in Year 11's outstanding work.



Football

The u16s football team have had a fantastic few games so far this season. Starting off strong against Cheam High School and winning 10-1.

Their next game was against Oaks Park in round 2, where the girls were 2-1 up but in the last 5 minutes Oaks Park scored, meaning it went onto penalties. The team's morale stayed high and their support for one another was exceptional. Alex P-A - (10R2) made some excellent saves, and Lola N - (10B1), May R - (10Y2) and Lexie D - (11B2) scored some fantastic goals. The end result was 3-2 on penalties resulting in the girls going through to the final round. I am so proud of the team and how well they have played so far this season and supported one another. Keep up the good work girls!

List of students from left to right:
Chloe D - 11R2, Georgia J - 11Y1, Abi A - 10G2, Kendra M - 10B1, Bianca TP - 10Y1, Laney G - 10R2, Lexie D - 11B2, Taliah R - 10R2, Isabella G - 10R1, Alex P-A - 10R2, Lola N - 10B1, May R - 10Y2

Dance

The dance show students have been working exceptionally hard in their rehearsals. They have demonstrated commitment, enthusiasm and dedication towards all aspects of the show. Students have shown leadership by creating some of their own dances, as well a great and effective team work, with all dance students coming together as a community. We are really excited to see the final product and to celebrate all the students hard



Subject Achievements

work and talent in the dance show, taking place on Thursday 30th January 2025. We hope you can join us to celebrate this exciting and memorable event!



Cheerleading Club.

Well done to Aisha S, Emily N, Tanya B, Kemi O, and Jemimah K for their hard work, dedication, enthusiasm and passion in Cheerleading Club.

The girls have been working hard towards their performance for the dance show and have really demonstrated excellent rehearsal discipline and commitment to the performance. Kemi and Jemimah are great role models for the Year 7 girls and have demonstrated fantastic leadership in Cheerleading Club.

The PE and Dance department are looking forward to watching all the Cheerleading Club girls shine on stage at the dance show on the 30th January which they have worked extremely hard towards. Well done!

PE – Trip Review

On Tuesday 26th of November, we visited Chelsea FC Stadium (Stamford bridge) with our BTEC sport class. We left school at 12pm and got a train to Fulham Broadway. We then walked down to Stamford bridge, where we took advantage of the many photo opportunities. We started our stadium tour at 13:30

where we were greeted by our tour guides and got the chance to take a photo with 2 of the trophies. The stadium tour took 60 minutes. Within the tour, we sat in the Matthew Harding stand and got to know everyone taking part. Whilst sat here we learnt that Chelsea has heating underneath the pitch which prevents it from frosting over. From there we went to look inside the press room and got 'interviewed' as well as being able to take some impressive pictures.



Next, we went to the away changing rooms where we saw other players shirts who have had the honour to play at Stamford bridge. These included, Wayne Rooney, David Beckham, Ronaldo and Messi.

In the home changing rooms we saw both the men's and women's shirts. It was inspiring to see how women's football has evolved. We saw women's team shirts including captain Millie Bright and goalkeeper Hannah Hampton. From the men's team shirts we saw Cole Palmer, Cucurella, captain Reece James and Nicolas Jackson.

We then got the opportunity to walk through the tunnel and go out to sit in the dugout and take some more photos.

At the end of the tour, we went into the museum and look at the history of the Bridge. We were able to watch short documentary clips and watch games from the past.



Subject Achievements

We had a fabulous time and believe that it has helped us with our course work and provided us with information that we needed to get our work to the top bands.

Lois & Chloe

History

Outstanding Attainment in Year 7

The History Department would like to celebrate the success of a number of Year 7 historians. These students have been identified by their class teachers for their consistent hard work, enthusiasm and engagement last term. All of them achieved a score of above 80% in their autumn examination.

Aaima A	Eleanor K	Trudy P
Vivian E	Karina L	Imaan R
Sophia E	Aesha M	Preila V
Eshaal F	Sophie O	Marni W
Sarah J	Adhira P	

Outstanding Attainment in Year 10

The History Department would like to celebrate the success of a number of Year 10 historians. These students have been identified by their class teachers for their consistent hard work, enthusiasm and engagement last term. All of them achieved a score of above 90% in their autumn examination.

Eliora A	Atreyee D	Kendra M
Emma A	Isabella D	Arputha R
Eleanor D	Ava-Rose E	Lottie R
Caoimhe A	Irza K	Martha S

Outstanding Attainment in Year 11

The History Department would like to celebrate the success of a number of Year 11 historians. These students have been identified by their class teachers for their consistent hard work, enthusiasm and engagement last term. All of them achieved a score of above 85% in their autumn examination.

Erin B	Suveatha J	Polly T
Molly J	Larena L	Chloe W

Outstanding Attainment in Year 13

The History Department would like to celebrate the success of a number of Year 13 historians. These students have been identified by their class teachers for their consistent hard work, enthusiasm and engagement last term. All of them achieved a score of above 70% in their autumn examination.

Connie B	Elise G	Amber T
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Outstanding contribution to extra-curricular activities - Hatti P (12Y1) and Katie S (12Y1)

The History Department would like to recognise the contribution made by these two Year 12 students to our highly successful CHSG History Podcast, available now on the CHSG History YouTube channel. Hatti and Katie were both founding members of the podcasting team and have already contributed two excellent podcast broadcasts in their series on Russian tsars. Their research is meticulous, their scripting is precise and their delivery is engaging. They have also supported younger students in the research and writing of their own successful podcast slots.

Geography

The Geography Department always like to share and celebrate the achievements of our students. One way we do this is by celebrating success in their End of Term Assessments by sharing student examples of exam answers. This can be one particularly good answer where a student has excelled in the different Geography disciplines and skills. The students are all awarded a Golden Ticket and their success celebrated as a class. For our Autumn Term Assessments, we celebrated the following students:

Year 7:

Afiya	Aaima A	Jadziya
Areeba	Preila	



Subject Achievements

Year 10:

Imogen	Shabnam	Abishanaa
Lola	Colette	Aishwarya
Imani	Zahra	
Grace	Sankavy	

Year 11:

Nadiyah	Isabella	Annette
Melanie	Hafsa	Nicol
Trista	Evie	Georgia
Isabella	Katie	Emily
Chloe D	Heidi	Annabelle
Arshia	Harishni	Mesaal
Yi Nuo	Zoe	Joyce
Savannah	Lauren	
Yaa	Natasha	

Congratulations to everyone, we look forward to celebrating even more student success stories in the Spring Assessments

Biology

A huge well done to Teja and Karthiha in year 13 who achieved A grades in their Autumn biology mock, which was a very challenging paper.

Arianne and Teya are showing great initiative in biology in year 12 and are in the process of setting up a medical society, which will be a great space for like minded budding scientists to share their thoughts/ work techniques.

A massive well done to Joyce W, Polly T, Annabelle B and Melanie L in year 11, who all achieved incredibly impressive result in their Autumn biology mock and are clearly making efforts they should all be proud of.

Health and Social Care

Health and Social Care students have been very busy and special mention must go to the students who attended London South Bank University just before Christmas. Our students were keen to take part in a



range of exercises, led by a Mental Health Nursing lecturer, a Learning Disabilities Nurse and a Senior Midwife. They were enthusiastic and were excellent ambassadors for our school.



Year 12 Health and Social Care students deserve a special mention for their excellent questioning of visiting speakers. Melissa M was particularly impressive with her insightful questions when a paediatric nurse, district nurse and adult nurse came into school to speak about their roles.





Subject Achievements

Child Development

Our Child Development pupils have been working very hard and we are very proud of them all. Chloe W, Millie C, Nicole N, Sakeena R and Phoebe J in Year 11 deserve special mention this term for their outstanding effort and achievement in their Child Development assessment work. They have worked very hard and their efforts have paid off. Mia A in Year 10 Child Development must also be mentioned as she has shown outstanding determination to do her very best in everything she has done.

Animal Care

Over the last term Year 9 and 10 Animal Care students have shown their passion and dedication to the subject by producing some outstanding work. Students then had the opportunity to meet some wonderful animals from the wild that they have never seen up close, and some even had the opportunity to handle them.



Year 10 hit the ground running by beginning their next piece of controlled assessment and were looking at the different types of environments which are needed to ensure all of the animals welfare needs are met and that a pet animal can live as naturally as possible. I want to congratulate each and every single student within both year groups as you have all achieved so much.

The Animal Care team also deserve credit for their fantastic work in taming our school hamster, Little Moe.

Art

This term has been a truly exciting and inspiring time for our art students! Year 8 had the opportunity to visit the Royal Academy of Arts to explore the incredible Michael Craig-Martin exhibition,

followed by a hands-on workshop that sparked their creativity.



Meanwhile, Year 7 and 8 students created wonderful work that explored the formal elements of art and refined their observational drawing skills. Year 11 got underway with their externally set task, demonstrating impressive dedication and artistic growth.

Our KS4 photography students also had the chance to learn about darkroom processes, gaining valuable experience in traditional photographic techniques. We are incredibly proud of the hard work and enthusiasm shown by all our students in the art department!

MFL

Larena L is a student of MFL in Year 11. During her previous 4 years with us, she always showed incredible commitment and always gave her best. This year, however, all the stars seem to have aligned and the work she is producing is of such level that her teacher is giving her extension work from A Level content and she is mastering it. It is only through her resilience, her love for the subject and her motivation that she can write long texts with very few errors, use very complex structures combining all different tenses, and even allows herself to throw a joke or two in her essays in her MFL exams. She is a shining example of how passion can lead to success in a subject – she is a true linguist.



Subject Achievements

We, at MFL, want to congratulate all those students that are making a great effort in their lessons. We want to mention especially Larena L for her outstanding consistent attainment in Year 11, as she nearly gets 100% in all her Spanish exams.

Also, Zoe M in French because she managed to be three grades above her Year 11 target proving her unquestionable resilience. Olivia M. in Year 7 Spanish needs celebrating as well, as she is the only student in Year 7 in MFL that has got a full 100% result in her exam demonstrating her excellence.

And finally, Amber S in Spanish Year 8 has to be the highlight of after school effort for MFL. She has an unbelievable streak of 857 days doing Spanish with Duolingo. Who can beat that?

Congratulations to all our MFL Superstars. Bravo!

English

The English Department is proud to acknowledge the exceptional achievements of the following scholars who achieved the highest marks in the Autumn examinations:

Chelsea K	Imogen L	Caitlin W
Mollie T	Polly T	Emma A
Yvette K	Hatti P	

National Poetry Day 2024 saw students from Year 7 to Year 13 submitting their own poems to a competition 'Write a Selfie' in which they were challenged to write a poem reflecting their identity.

Some wonderful poems were shortlisted by the English department who were all impressed by the quality of work, proving that children are just as much writers as adults and you don't have to be a grown-up to be a writer! The winner was Tharuka (Year 12) who wrote a beautiful poem about spirituality. Well done Tharuka!

Media

Year 9

All students have settled in well to GCSE Media Studies but there's been some particularly insightful work from Kayla L and Claudia C. Manya M is also always ready to share great ideas with the rest of the class.

Year 10

Year 10 have also been working very hard, with particularly insightful work from Jean F, Raisa B and Zainab A. Claudia W and Millie K also always make positive contributions to lessons.

Year 11

Year 11 have really excelled themselves and have been incredibly mature in their approach to work and enthusiastic about the content they are studying. Imogen L is producing excellent analytical writing both in and out of the classroom. Many others are doing similarly well including Kamira H, Larena L, Amelie B, Olivia R, Chloe D, Ines RG, Annette U, Daisy L, Maisie S and Sophia T.

Year 13

Year 13 Film Studies students are now fully engaged with their coursework productions - they are planning and filming their own films. All students are doing a great job, with some particularly impressive storyboarding work from Nuha H and Abbie P.

Drama

Year 11 and Year 10 have been working incredibly hard and have all given outstanding effort in lessons developing their monologues and duologues and devised performances all ready to perform as part of their GCSEs at the end of January.

The SIX cast have been working their socks off to create HER-story and put together the performances of SIX.

And finally, we had excellent performances from students outside of school. A fantastic performance of Annie played at the Epsom Playhouse before the holidays which was a joy to watch. We love hearing and watching the performances outside of school so do let us know what you are doing/performing.



Jack Petchey

Achievement Award Scheme which recognises outstanding young people.

We know there are many young people who deserve recognition. These awards are for those young people who have gone above and beyond what might be expected of them. Young people achieve in lots of ways, including by overcoming personal challenges and adversity, achieving sporting and musical success as well as by volunteering and making a difference within their community.

The Achievement Award Scheme is not intended solely to recognise young people’s academic achievements. The Achievement Award Scheme is a scheme for young people and is intended to be run by young people. At the very heart of the Achievement Award is the fact that by making the nominations and selections themselves, young people recognise the hard work and efforts of their peers.

Well done to the following students who received Jack Petchey awards last term.

- Lillian J - year 8
- Lois C - Year 12
- Chloe L - Year 12

We look forward to more nominations this term!

“We have both been rewarded with a Jack Petchey certificate because of our hard work with all vocational subjects. We have shown reliability, commitment and leadership within our schools’ community. We have both been awarded £300 each to reward ourselves for our hard work and the positive impact that we have had on our school’s community. With the money, we are spending it on things we are passion about as well as rewarding ourselves. The first thing we are hoping to do is complete a first aid course. This is because we are sports students and will benefit in many ways from having this qualification.

Another way we are spending the money is going on a Wembley stadium tour. This is going to help us complete our course work and gain a deeper understanding of what goes on behind the scenes. The last thing we would like to do is reward ourselves with a trip to Alton Towers. We are choosing to do this because it is something that we enjoy and gives us a break from doing schoolwork.”

