

Make the Leap...

Issue 13



Introduction

Welcome to the 13th issue of 'Make the Leap', the Ada Lovelace School magazine.

The school magazine is curated by Miss Sullivan, Head of Art, as well as Maya in Year 12 and features several submissions from staff and pupils. If you have any ideas or submissions for future issues please email:

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Here at Ada Lovelace we aspire to be ready for life in the 21st Century. Like our name sake we aim to be bold and imaginative, seizing opportunities to problem solve and think differently. We aim to continually improve ourselves and the wider world.

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What are your goals for this year?

My goal is to improve my boxing skills, as I do boxing club. - Maleehah

I want to achieve better music grades because I enjoy doing music.
- Summer

I want to improve and continue my footballing success this year by attending more trainings. - Holly

To go to a Stray Kid's concert
Listen to Stray Kids' new debut
- Alaia

My first goal is to improve my grades in Geography and RE because I didn't get the grades that I wanted. My second goal is to convince my mum to take me to my favourite singer's concert in July. I also want to get better at my piano skills
- Elyse

I want to be above track in English. I want to try to make some money too.
- Adam

My goal is to improve in Science as I find this subject the most challenging.
- Anon



Lego League tournament champions!

We are beyond proud of the Ada Lovelace students who took part in the First Lego League regional competition at the weekend, hosted at Bechtel offices in London.

It is the first time Ada Lovelace High School had entered the competition and so we were genuinely shocked when the Championship winner was announced and it was us!



Each team had to present an Innovation project, present on the design evolution of their robot, explain how the team had embodied the 'Core Values' during the design process and compete their robot in three rounds of the timed competition. Ms Young, Head of Computing and Girls STEM Coordinator at Ada Lovelace put together the team and expertly guided them through the process.

She commented that the team worked together superbly, listening carefully to the feedback given after the first round, modified the code and adjusted positions. The team were thrilled to achieve full marks for all the challenges they had programmed. The students involved were Olivia, Isobel, Alice, Emma, Zane, Gergely, Zac. And also not able to attend on the day, but helping with the preparation were Hussain and Ella.

Ada Lovelace High School Chair of Governors Emma Harniman, was volunteering at the event on the day. She commented that "They were amazing advocates for themselves and the school, and I felt like a very proud parent!"

Having won the Regionals, our team of students are now invited to the Nationals which take place in May - we will update you on their progress! Our thanks go to Ms Young for guiding the team through this experience and for providing consistent support and expert advice all the way through.

Make The Leap Role Models:

Magazine Club reflected on the people who inspire them:

One of my role models is **Ashleigh Neville** because she inspired me to play football and always keeps going. - Holly



I think one of my role models is **my mum**! She's a very positive person and also is very good with memory and organisation and I simply think she's a great person to be around which is why I hope I can be like her. She's also a person I've stayed with for my whole life so that's also a factor. <3 - Irina



My role model is **Billie Eilish** because she works hard and therefore had 5 grammies and an Oscar by the age of 22. I also REALLY love her music, and her life story is one of resilience and VERY hard work creating songs with her brother. She is basically really thoughtful and inspiring also because she values and appreciates her fans. - Elyse



One of my make the leap role models is **Carlos Alcaraz** a Spanish tennis player.

The other make the leap person is **Emma Raducanu** tennis player for England - Maya



My role model is **my mum** because she helps me with expanding my imagination and always makes me feel better about my Art. - Kaja

Sporting achievements

It has been another amazing term for sporting achievement at Ada Lovelace!

Some of the highlights have been:

Ms Moran: I am delighted to share that the Year 7 girls' football team became borough champions in April after a fantastic 3-0 victory over William Perkin! Stand out performances: Aimee's leadership was outstanding - a very talented player who guided and encouraged the team to victory. They couldn't have done it without her.

Issy, scored the crucial opening goal and was voted player of the match by the opposition team - exceptional work rate from start to finish.

Captain: Aimee Bruce

Goal scorers: Issy, Zeniya and Holly

PoTM: Issy

Mr McCutcheon: 4 students attended a Y11-13 LTA tennis match on Wednesday against Highgate Private School. Bearing in mind there is a Y9 and 3 Y11s, you would be forgiven for thinking we were at a disadvantage, as they were up against some Y13s and Y11s. However, we came away 10-2 winners with 5 superb victories.

Karim winning his singles 6-0

Adonias winning his singles 6-2

Julius winning his singles 6-1

Lara winning her singles 6-4

Karim & Adonias won their doubles 6-0

Julius & Lara narrowly defeated in a tie break 6-7.

Karim might just be the best tennis player I have ever seen at school level, every forehand was in, in the corners and his forehand were 100% winners.

A big victory for the Y9 football in January!

3-0 winners v Featherstone which marked their biggest margin of victory ever as well as their first clean sheet this season. It was a game we controlled largely (in the second half). 1-0 up at half time after a brilliant flick on header from Abdallah. Second half started bright with Karim hunting down their keeper to force him into a mistake to make it 2-0. Abdallah finished the game off with a brilliant strike from 25 yards out. They now sit top of the league with a 100% win record with only two teams left to play.

Goalscorers: Abdallah (2) Karim (1). **Player of the Match:** Abdallah

Every single player played their part, be it Abdelrahman & Cohen playing two positions, Viktor and Jawad's goal saving tackles, Abdallah's goalscoring – every single one of them would be receiving a commitment to learning score of 1 if such a thing existed!

Ms Cole: The Year 7s were exceptional role models for Ada, battling the pouring rain and freezing wind. Blood, sweat and tears were shed but it was all worth it in the end as they came away with silver medals in the Year 7 Netball Borough Tournament.

Ms Moran: I'm delighted to announce the Year 7 girls football team won their semifinal match against Greenford 6-1!

We were missing two crucial players due to illness, including our captain Holly however the girls really stepped up and played fantastically well with no subs.

Captain: Lina. **Goalscorers:** Lila (2), Aimme (2) and Zeniyah (2). **PoTM:** Lila

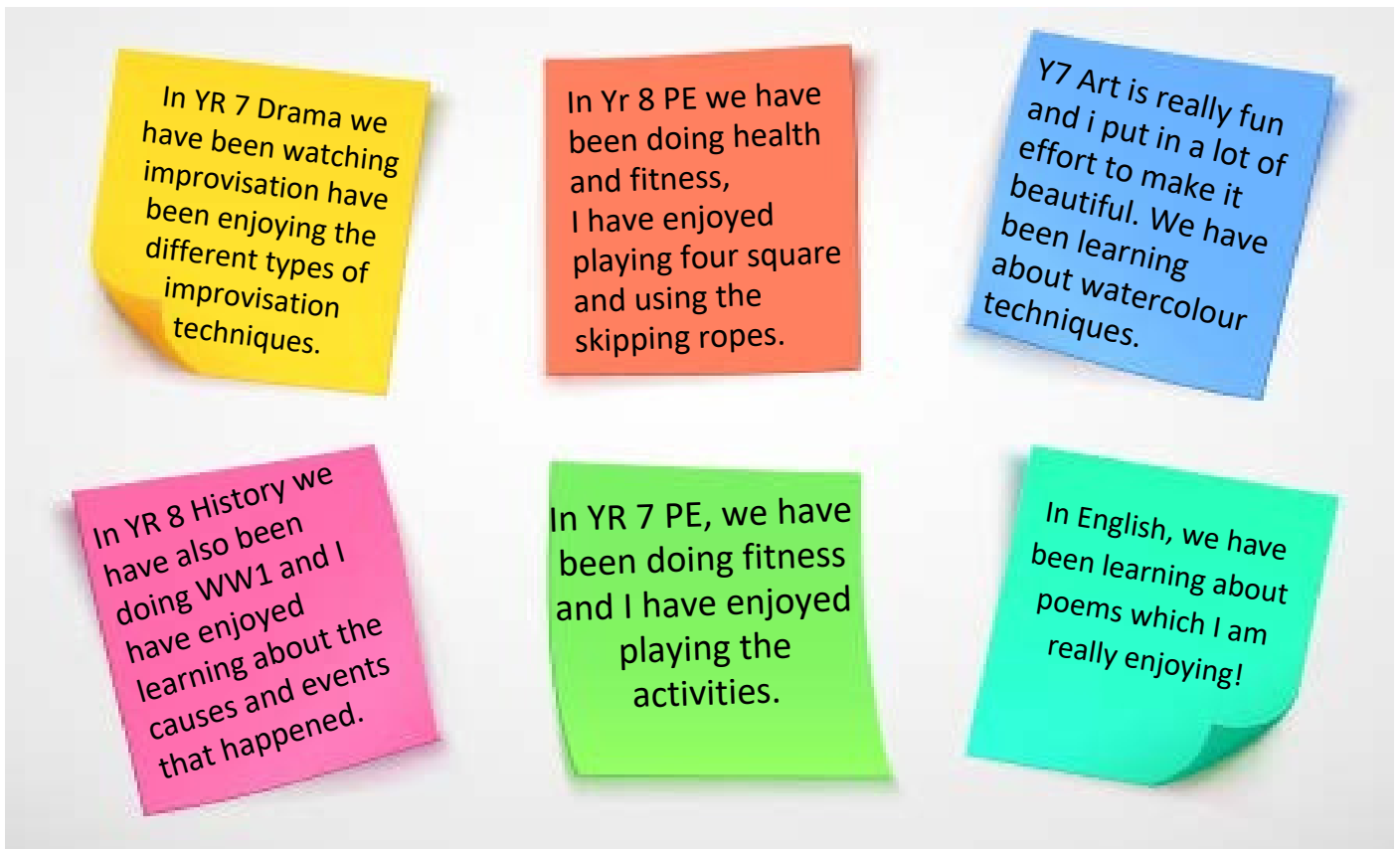
Mr McCutcheon: Ada are the Ealing borough Basketball champions! Thank you to all staff that came down to support them, you could tell on the faces of the students, they really appreciated the support shown! Off they go to the London Youth Games now.





Term highlights

Pupils' reflections on what they've enjoyed the most this term:



Professional Blues Workshop with Mississippi MacDonald

Ada Lovelace welcomed Oliver "Mississippi" MacDonald – a singer, guitarist and songwriter from London. MacDonald is a rising star, having been honoured with a session by Cerys Matthews on her BBC Radio 2 Blues show and championed by Mojo.



We treated our wonderful Year 8 cohort to a masterclass in Blues music; linking to our KS3 Music curriculum. MacDonald was accompanied by Mr Cundall, one of our wonderful Peripatetic teachers and our very own Year 8 student drummer Nicholas. Students heard songs from the greats: BB King, Jimmy Reed and Albert King as well as getting an insight into the history and context of Blues music!

Secretary of State for Education visit

We were honoured to receive a visit from The Secretary of State for Education, the Right Hon Bridget Phillipson last month. The visit was scheduled on the back of the exceptional results which the school achieved in the summer. We were delighted that The Secretary of State for Education could speak with some of our KS3 and T Level students about the development of soft skills across the curriculum and pastoral programmes, and also a number of our staff and the teaching school hub, Teach West London.



Arabic Reading Competition

Thames West Language Hub organised for Ada Lovelace students to take part in the Arabic Reading competition. Students recited poems in Arabic and then reflected on the poem's meaning. The competition was judged by William Perkin and Twyford 6th formers. Congratulations to our 3 winners, who will now participate in the competition round in May, organised by the Arabic teachers' council.



LDBS Annual Service at St Paul's Cathedral

Students from across the Trust attended the London Diocesan Board for School's Annual Service at St Paul's Cathedral. The service celebrated the work of all Church of England schools in London and recognised the impact of CofE schools over centuries.

Students added their school logo and founding details to the London Diocesan Board for Schools timeline. The theme of this year's service was 'Strength Beyond Time: The God of Eternity'.



MFL

German play participation

On Wednesday 5th March, Ada Lovelace hosted the Onatti Theatre company to perform a play in German for Year 8 students from Ada Lovelace and Year 9 students from William Perkin and Twyford High Schools. Students enjoyed the performance of *Auf dem Campingplatz* which was performed entirely in German and so really tested their comprehension skills and ability to work things out from context.

We are particularly proud of our two Ada students who were invited onto the stage for the duration of the play, becoming a part of the troupe. Their pronunciation in German was faultless and they were even able to improvise in the foreign language! Thank you Onatti for visiting our school.



German Exchange

Ada Lovelace hosted students from our German partner school for our annual German exchange this week. We welcomed students and teachers from the Johannes-Kepler-Realschule in Bayreuth. Students enjoyed a week visiting London sights such as Covent garden, British museum, Buckingham palace and the Tower of London, as well as spending a day in school at Ada Lovelace. We are now looking forward to our return visit in May!

Creative corner

Oofer's Adventure: Scratch game project

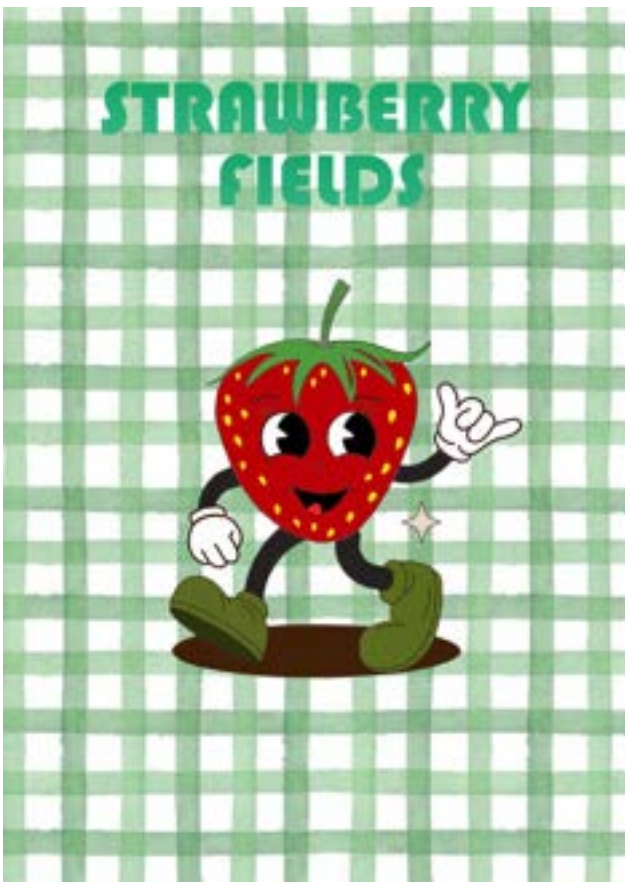
Check out Leon's (Year 9) unique game made on scratch using his own character designs. He has developed through a comic series seen in previous 'Make The Leap'.

<https://scratch.mit.edu/projects/1070454484/embed>





**Photoshop skills
by Maya (Year 7)**



**Photoshop skills
by Holly (Year 7)**

POKEMON!!!



I first found this card in a random Pokémon pack from Japan. In Japanese the name is...



In English the name is Chien-Pao. idk if that's right, I'm just following the internet.

THE CARD

The level and health: This card is an EX and a basic with the health of 220.

Type and weakness: The type is water and the weakness is metal.

Ability: Shivery chill, once during your turn, if this Pokémon is in the active spot, you may search for 2 water basic energy cards, reveal them and put them into your hand. Then shuffle the deck.

Attack: You need 2 energy cards. You may discard any amount of water energy cards from your Pokémon. This attack does 60 damage for each water energy card discarded.

by Maleehah (Year 7)

Bugsy Malone

Drama production

As the lyrics in the final song of the show say 'You give a little love and it all comes back to you'. Below are some photos of our hugely successful production of 'Bugsy Malone', and this remarkable team did just that! After 7 and a half months of rehearsal, involving nearly 100 Ada Lovelace students, 15 members of staff and over 10 members of our brilliant PTA. This vibrant, energetic and splurge-filled show was performed to over 200 primary school students and over 600 family and friends of the students across three evenings.

Congratulations to all involved: 'You could have been anything that you wanted to be' and you decided to be a brilliant cast and crew!



Summer Arts Festival

One of the highlights from the Summer term was the Summer Arts Festival, which featured an array of performances in the PC including student rock bands, classical ensembles and solos.

The Art and Graphics exhibiton inside showcased a range of Year 9-11 work from this year to inspire the future generations! The Summer fun continued with our wonderful PTA serving refreshments and the ever popular ice cream van in the playground.



Ukraine fact file

By Sophia (Year 7)

Famous Ukrainian writers and about them

- Serhiy Zhadan- Ukrainian poet, novelist, essayist, musician, translator and social activist.
- Oksana Zabuzhko- Ukrainian novelist, poet and essayist.
- Yuri Andrukhovych- Ukrainian prose writer, poet, essayist and translator.
- Andrey Kurkov- Ukrainian author and public intellectual who writes in Russian and Ukrainian.
- (deceased) Taras Shevchenko- was a Ukrainian poet, writer, artist, public and political figure, folklorist and ethnographer.



Traditional Ukrainian dishes

Some traditional dishes I have made are borsch, varenyky and holubtsi. These dishes are quite special to my family and Ukrainian culture. There are different recipes for these dishes and different people make these foods in different ways.

Borsch



Facts about Ukraine

- Located in Eastern Europe.
- Second largest country in Europe in terms of total area- spanning 603.55 square km.
- The capital city is Kyiv.
- Has population of around 38 million people.
- The president is Volodymyr Zelensky
- The national traditional dish is red borscht



NATIONAL DAY



VALENTINE'S

PANCAKE



ST. PATRICK'S
etc



International Celebration Days

Magazine Club researched into their favourite international celebration day, did you know all of these?!

National Peanut Butter Lovers Day: One way people celebrate this (March 1st) is by sharing peanut butter combos and recipes. - Irina

Valentines' Day, 14th February. A fun fact about Valentines day is the first Valentines letter was written in 1415. - Summer

Valentine's Day wasn't romantic until the middle ages! - Alaia

Pancake Day is on the 4th of March and it is a great day because you can eat pancakes all day! - Maleehah

2nd March is World Book Day. 100 different countries celebrate world book day, and the first celebration of world book day was 23rd April 1995. We celebrate it to acknowledge our favourite authors and our favourite books and its characters. - Elyse

World Nutella day 5th of February, I like food! - Maya

CARROT CAKE IS ON 3RD OF FEBURARY

1 FACT IS THAT IN 1814 THE FIRST CARROT CAKE RECIPE APPEARED IN FRANCE - Adam

My favourite day is Groundhog Day because groundhogs are cute! - Holly

National Lost Penny Day has been connected with the birthday of Abraham Lincoln, the 16th President of the United States of America. Celebrated every February 12, the day has its association with Abraham Lincoln because it is his picture that has been on the penny since 1909. The first-ever U.S. penny was designed by Benjamin Franklin in the 1780s, and since then, billions of pennies have been minted. - Ligia

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Artwork by Jana (Year 11)

