

Ealing Fields News



Associate Headteacher's Welcome

It gives me great pleasure to write the welcome for this, my first, newsletter as your headteacher. It's quite something to pick up the reins of a school in the summer term because there is just so much going on! It was wonderful to see so many Year 11s feel their hard work had been rewarded as they left the exam hall and to celebrate with them in style at their prom last month. This time of year also sees Year 11 handing over the mantle of student leadership to the current Year 10s and I offer all those with new leadership roles my congratulations and gratitude for the service they will offer to their community next year.

The first half of the summer term culminated in the school production – the brilliant High School Musical. All students and staff worked incredibly hard to put on two sell-out evening performances as well a matinee for local primary school children. The joy of the cast and crew backstage after the final night was palpable and I would urge *even* more students to join in next year!

In addition to the school production, this term has also included the sponsored walk, numerous sporting fixtures, sports day, work experience and enrichment week. Students in all year groups have really made the most of the opportunities this very special week affords, and I am very grateful to the staff who planned, led and participated in trips and workshops, especially the residentials – these experiences are the memory-making moments of school life.

I would like to wish all members of staff who are leaving the Ealing Fields family at the end of this year all the very best for the next chapter in their careers and thank them for their contributions to the Ealing Field community. Finally, I hope you all have wonderful summers.

Staff News

As the end of the academic year draws to a close, we bid farewell to several staff members. Many thanks to all of them for their hard work and dedication. We wish them all the very best for the future and in their promotion opportunities elsewhere.

Staff Leaving

Maaria Amjad Science Teacher

Harry Barber RE Teacher

Florence Glanfield Head of Music

Lucy Walling English Teacher

Megan Trace KS4 Geography Teacher

Kiran Nahal Head of Computing

Mark Bedford Head teacher (Moved to Twyford)

Pip Deacon Assistant Headteacher (moved to Twyford)

Ellie Williams English Teacher

Sue Hugill HLTA

Ross Tyrie Humanities Teacher

Catherine Lyon MFL Trainee Teacher

We'd also like to thank some temporary staff who have been with us for the year: Lena Shah – MFL, Brook Hughes – Science, Max Mussared – PE.

We look forward to welcoming several new staff members in September. We are delighted to have them joining the Ealing Fields High School staff team.

Rebecca Page Science Teacher

Matthew Ashcroft Maths Teacher

Charlotte Styles History Teacher

David Wise RE Teacher with KS3 Ethics Responsibility

Miranda Parker English Teacher

Mayuri Rathod KS4 Maths Coordinator

Rebecca Sivalogan KS3 English Coordinator (from Ada Lovelace)

Francesca Smith English Teacher

Marina Garcia Jaubert MFL Teacher

Courtney Guy 2ic Female PE Teacher

Claire Galligan Cover Teacher

Liam Ward Science Teacher (Maternity Cover) – From William Perkin

Zara Tobias-Tyrell Head of Music (From Twyford)

Enterprise Days and Sponsored Walk

We have seen a variety of fundraising events over the course of this year on our enterprise days and sponsored walk. Thanks to the generosity of all staff and students involved we have successfully raised over £10,000 for charity. This term has seen our final two fundraising enterprise days. In the first half of the summer term Chambers raised a grand total of £625.74 for Mary's Meals, a charity which sets up school meals programmes in some of the world's poorest communities in order to support children gaining an education. Our final enterprise day was for The British Red Cross for McQueen. They raised an impressive £608. 47 to go towards the vital humanitarian work which this charity carries out. Well done to all the students and staff who donated generously and took part in the fundraising activities— special mention to Mr Reci and Mr Santos for bravely volunteering for 'Sponge the Teacher' most recently!

On the final day before half term holiday in May, the entire school took part in our 'Sponsored Walk' round Blondin Park. We raised almost £6,000 which has been distributed between our Twyford Trust school link in Mozambique, The British Red Cross Turkey & Syria Earthquake appeal and also The Blondin Consortium. It was a very enjoyable sunny day and all our students brought energy and enthusiasm to their fundraising efforts.

Byron	Ealing Soup Kitchen	£790.80
Chambers	Mary's Meals	£625.74
McQueen	British Red Cross	£608.47
Perceval	Cancer Research UK	£1,159.24
Springfield	Young Minds	£735.50
Yeats	Motor Neurone Disease Association	£889.61



School Vegetable Garden









There is a section of the grounds that has been left to Ealing Fields students to design and maintain. There are 5 raised beds and an open area next to the boundary wall. We have paved this area to make it usable and have begun the construction of a bug hotel. We enjoyed a variety of daffodils in the spring which were planted before Christmas and will reappear each year. Art Intervention students have worked hard clearing the raised beds of weeds and planting shrubs, herbs, fruit and vegetables. The Facilities Team have been studiously watering the area and we have had great success in already harvesting radishes, kale and courgettes. Later in the Autumn we will be harvesting carrots, beetroot and onions as well as more courgettes and kale. Strawberries are growing but have been enjoyed by the snails and pigeons! Everything harvested has been used in the café for school meals. The PTSA have so far funded the planting and we have secured further funding from Innovate, our catering providers, which may see us expand to having a small greenhouse. This would allow students to plant from seed and provide a year round commitment to gardening. It's been brilliant to see the space utilised and enjoyed. Students have been enthusiastic to learn the basics of growing vegetables as well as appreciating the sensory qualities of other shrubs and flowers. Our Year 8 Art Club has also made use of the garden as a source of inspiration. We look forward to giving you more updates in the future.

School Production: High School Musical



On Wednesday 24th and Thursday 25th May, Ealing Fields hosted its annual school production – which this year was Disney's High School Musical. Over 40 students had been rehearsing all year and put on three fantastic performances – one to students from local primary schools and two to packed out audiences of friends, families and teachers.

We are immensely proud of all the students who contributed both on stage and as part of the technical team. High School Musical proved to be a crowd favourite all thanks to the cast and crew who did an absolutely brilliant job. Throughout the process of putting the musical together we saw such hard work and dedication from those involved; we were super impressed with students learning lines, songs and dances as well as acting with kindness and compassion towards one another at all times. The whole cast numbers really showcased the amount of talent we have here at Ealing Fields, a staff favourite was 'Stick to the Status-Quo' where the cast exuded character, excitement, and energy. It has been a pleasure working with such remarkable students this year and we can't wait for next year's production! Stay tuned for details of which show has been chosen...

Goodbye Year 11: Shirt-signing









On Thursday 11th May, our school community (students, parents, carers and teachers) came together to celebrate the incredible journey and achievements of our Year 11 cohort. Emotions ran high as we reflected upon the countless memories (which included a 15 minute video!) from Year 7-11. The evening captured their first steps into Wyke Gardens to the confident strides they now take towards their futures. The celebration service served as a poignant reminder of their growth and resilience and it was truly a wonderful evening enjoyed by all.

Following on from the celebration service, Friday 12th May marked their very last day at Ealing Fields. The day started with a formal celebration service which was led by Father David, this gave the students an opportunity to reflect on their time at Ealing Fields. We then marked the day by a cherished tradition of shirt signing, the students had already started to design their shirts at home by writing their names on the back – they were a work of Art! Filled with laughter, tears and heartfelt exchanges, the atmosphere was brilliant!

Well Done Year 11, we are so proud of you! You will be missed dearly, but we know that you will always carry the lessons you learned here with you, and that you will continue to make us proud. We know that you will go on to do amazing things, we will always cherish the memories we have

made together.

Goodbye Year 11: School Prom in Photos













Oxford Inspire Scholars

The Oxford Inspire Scholars from Years 9 and 10 visited St. John's College Oxford for a day of seminars, tours of colleges and a chance to talk about university life with current Oxford students. They took part in an Oxford-style seminar on the philosophical questions posed by AI in the world of art and enjoyed lunch in the hall of St. John's.







Year 10 Step-Up Careers Fair

The Year 10 trip to the Step-Up Expo at Olympia London allows the students to access and explore a range of career sectors, post-16 colleges, sixth forms and apprenticeship providers as well as allowing them to attend talks on topical issues for young people today and advice on how to navigate young adult life. It is great that the whole of Year 10 is able to access this resource and we hope to take future year groups going forward.

Debating at Ealing Fields

History Scholars

This year the year 9 history scholars took the Trust History Scholars championship, winning debates on a variety of themes, such as "Religion has been the main cause of war" and "The USA was to blame for the Cold War." Congratulations to all who took part!

Debate Club

Throughout the year, students in Key Stage 3 and 4 have been attending debating club which is held weekly in the school's oratory. Many of these students have also one on to represent Ealing Fields in the Debating For Everyone Junior & Middle School Shields. They have done us proud, speaking eloquently, arguing cleverly and securing notable wins over schools such as Harrow and Godolophin & Latymer. Three of our Year 8 debaters, Daniel Lennon, Dhilan Nichani and Aiden Pattani, finished third overall in the Junior Shield event — a fantastic achievement! A special mention also needs to go to Martha-Rose Blackman, Miriam Ilderton, Maya Jain and Sophia Jain who did a brilliant job as judges throughout the junior competition. Debate Club will be back next year so do come along and give it a try!



History Tours at Ealing Fields

On Friday 19th May, 90 students from Little Ealing Primary School came to visit Ealing Fields for a historical tour of the amazing buildings on our site. Over three sets of 30 minute tours, the students learnt about the history of Senior House (previously known as Place House). They also visited the Oratory and got to see the famous fireplace in the Training Hub. The site dates back to the Civil War so the 90 students got 400 years of history in half an hour; from Charles II to Dusty Springfield to Mr Woodham in a builder's hat. Two of our Yr 7 students have written up a report which will feature in the next edition of The Promethean.



Year 7 Trip to British Film Institute

In May, a group of Year 7s travelled to Waterloo to attend an 'Introduction to Shakespeare Through Film' workshop at the BFI. They had the chance to get up on stage and read some of Shakespeare's most famous scenes and monologues and got to watch and analyse a variety of interesting film interpretations of key scenes, looking at colour, lighting and music. It was a wonderful opportunity to see Shakespeare in a new light, and one that differs from the traditional classroom approach.





Year 8 Trip to Wallace Collection

Y8 went to the Wallace Collection in Manchester Square to have a private guided tour around the galleries, and to practice their creative writing in response to certain artistic stimuli. They learned all about the myths of Persephone and Father Time, and had great fun 'free writing' to detail their emotional reactions to some of the artwork. Overall, a really fun day out that was both educational and engaging!

Duke of Edinburgh Award



The first weekend of July saw 60 Year 10 students embark on their Duke of Edinburgh expedition. They have been working up to this all year, regularly committing to clubs each week and undertaking training to lead to this two-day hike. All groups made it to the campsite nice and early on the Saturday and began to set up their tents and start cooking — pasta pesto was the dinner winner! An early-rise for all those involved on the Sunday (some earlier than others...) and set off for their last day of hiking. All groups made it back safe and sound, and they all worked so well together, demonstrating the teamwork and resilience needed to complete the Award.







Enrichment Week: A special thank you





Thank you to the University of West London for hosting amazing workshops for our students to help them acquire new skills such as cooking and for providing them with the opportunity to discover the world of Aviation. We want to thank all of the staff at UWL especially Elitza Iordanova for organising and running these workshops and for providing such enriching activities.





Ealing Fields Sport

720

That is how many (approximately) individual sports clubs we have offered to students throughout the year. It has been great to see students enjoy their sports. Some of the sports may have been new to them this year, some they may have continued on from their primary school or the previous year. Whatever sport it was, it was great to see all students' progress through the year.

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That is how many fixtures we have played this year! What an achievement this is for our students, PE staff, and wider school body. It has been great to see so many students pick up a bat, ball, and racket for the first time, and donned the grey and gold and represent Ealing Fields.

Here is just a small snippet of what the summer term had in store for the PE/Sports Department.

Girls Cricket Top in the Borough and County

Well done to our U13 girls Cricket team. They qualified for and played in the U13 regional indoor cricket finals in April, for the first time. This is a huge achievement! They then went on to win the Middlesex outdoor competition in May, and then went on to win the U13 Ealing Borough Cricket League, by never losing a single game. This is a team to look out for, as they continue to seek for more silverware to add to the trophy cabinet. Wee done team!







Picking up Medals in the Athletics

Ealing Fields fielded a team in both the Ealing Borough Junior and Senior Athletics Championships this year. On both occasions, over 30 students competed against the other secondary schools in Ealing, at Perivale Athletics Track.



Well done to all students that participated, and donned the grey and gold. This was the most success we have had to date! We picked up:

- Gold in the Junior Boys Javelin: Well done Theo
- Gold in the Intermediate Girls 100m Sprint and Silver in the Intermediate Girls Long Jump: Well done Kalina. Kalina also qualified for and competed at the Middlesex Athletics Champs.
- Silver in the Intermediate Girls 1500m race: Well done Amy
- Gold in the Junior $4 \times 100 \text{m}$ Sprint relay: Well done Johnny, Seb, Aiden and Issac.
- Gold in the Junior Boys Javelin: Well done Johnny
- Gold in the Junior Boys 100m and 200m Sprint: Well done Seb. Seb also competed at the Middlesex Athletics Championships, and came 3rd!
- Gold in the Junior Girls Javelin: Well done Caitin. Caitlin also competed at

the Middlesex Athletics Championships, and also won GOLD!!!!

- Silver in the Junior Girls 100m Sprint: Well done Sara
- Gold in the Junior Girls 200m Sprint: Well done Hannah
- Gold in the Junior Boys Triple Jump: Well done Elijah. We believe this may have also been a record breaking Jump!
- Silver in the Junior Girls Long Jump: Well done Freya
- Silver in the Junior Girls Shot Put: Well done Molly

On top of all these medals, for the first time ever, the Year 7 girls won overall as a team. Well done to all those that

competed at the Borough Championships, and also the Middlesex Championships.







Creating Leaders through Sport

In core PE lessons, every student has been developing their leadership skills. They learn leadership styles, and how to deliver coaching sessions, and every student has been able to deliver a small lesson to primary school students at Mount Carmel. It has been great to see students step into this leadership role, and many have taken to it like a fish to water.

This summer, we teamed up with Middlesex to create a leadership opportunity for some of our year 10 students. 20 students helped officiate cricket matches, at this year's London Dynamos Cricket tournament, held at Gunnersbury Park. The organisers were very impressed with the student's ability to independently lead the cricket matches,



so primary school students were able to have a successful day of competitive cricket.

Rowing gets stronger with every stroke

Well done to our Junior and Senior Rowing teams. This summer, they competed at the Hounslow Regatta. The seniors won their team event, by some considerable boat lengths. The juniors competed for the first time, and came 4th! Well done both teams! You have shown such a big improvement, and it is great to see the rewards are coming in.







Rounders

This summer, we fielded Rounders teams in years 7, 8 and 9. It was great to see students enjoying yet another sport on offer here at Ealing Fields. Special thank you to Miss Gelderblom for assisting with the Rounders clubs this term – these teams would not be able to run without you:)





Boys Cricket

This summer, we fielded Boys cricket teams in years 7, 8 and 9. For some, this is the first time a cricket bat has been held, or a ball has been bold. We are looking to progress onto next year, from what each team has learnt this year.







We are off to the Super Bowl

Well sort off... This year a new sport started at Ealing Fields. Our very first NFL flag football team. Moreover, we did not just take part, we just gone and won it! The girls finished the season 12-0, and have now qualified to play a representative team from Germany, at Tottenham stadium, playing in front of thousands of fans as a curtain raiser for an official NFL game. Well done to this huge achievement. It was great to see the smiles on their faces, as they collected this HUGE trophy.



Special Shout Outs

Special shout out to Caitlin and Molly, who has been selected for the Ealing Representative team. Bear in mind, they are still year 7s, this is a massive achievement. Well-done girls, all that hard work in trainings are paying off!

Well done to Sara, who after competing at the Middlesex Athletics Champs, then won the club championships in her Gymnastics Club that same evening. Well done Sara that shows real commitment and resilience.





Sports Days – a great way to finish the year

As we bring this academic year to a close, it was fitting to finish with the biggest sporting event in the calendar. Year 7, 8 and 9 students arrived at Osterley Athletics Centre, and fiercely competed for the Ealing Fields Sports Day shield.





It was great to see all students giving it there all for their teams. As it was, just one team has the chance to take the trophy for another year. Well done to Springfield for winning this year's sports day. Please see the standings below.

	Rank
Byron	2nd
Chambers	6th
McQueen	3rd
Perceval	4th
Springfield	1st
Yeats	5th

On the following day, we then competed at the Twyford Trust Athletics Championships. Our students donned the grey and gold once again, and restarting that completive fire within. This was not just another sports fixture, but also a rivalry that has been years in the making. Our students competed in a range of events that included Javelin, Sprints, High Jump, Long Jump, Long Distance running, Relays etc. Along with the Twyford Trust Cup, the winners also had the bragging rights for the following year. As Ealing Fields has been growing in size, and that we are competing against much larger schools, were are not 'meant' to win. However, this year was a turning point. Of all the year



7s, we won. Out of all the girls, that's right, we Won. However, we just narrowly came 2nd to Twyford who were the overall winners. Well done to all our students who ran, jumped, and threw their hearts out. They all played to that gold standard that we expect, and they expect of themselves. Please see the standings below.

Year 7	Ealing Fields
Year 8	Twyford
Year 9	William Perkin
Girls Overall	Ealing Fields
Boys Overall	Twyford
Overall Champions 2023	Twyford



Well done to all students for their successes this year in sport. We look forward to next year! Thank you, from Team PE.