





Ealing Fields News



Headteacher's Welcome

We have enjoyed another busy term with lots to celebrate. Our girls' NFL flag team have started the new season brilliantly, we received the newcomers award in the National Reading Champions Quiz and almost half of Year 10 have completed their Duke of Edinburgh Practice Expedition. This term has also seen another ski trip and another Spanish exchange. I am grateful to all the teachers who offer up their weekends and half terms to provide such enriching experiences for the students.

In March, we hosted two author visits to celebrate world book day; John Silver gave a talk to all of Year 9 and 10 and Gita Ralleigh presented to Years 7 and 8. There were follow-up workshops on fantasy writing and poetry.

In addition to wider learning, students have been working hard on their studies as always. Year 11 have completed the practical element of both their Drama and PE GCSEs, and I am sure they have positioned themselves well for the written element of both courses.

I would also like to thank the PTSA for organising such a brilliant comedy night which raised just over £10,000 towards our student kitchen – we're almost halfway to meeting our target and so I have included the QR code again should you wish to contribute – any amount is welcome!

Finally, it was great to see so many of you at the Spring Concert last week which was a wonderful evening once again – the students had clearly worked very hard in preparing for the event.

I hope you all have a restful and rejuvenating Easter holiday, and I look forward to seeing lots of Year 11s attending the revision sessions in the first week of the break.

Ms J Trewin



Dates for Your Diary

Summer Term 2025

Tuesday 22nd April - Wednesday 16th July 2025

Tuesday 22nd April – All Years return

Friday 2nd May - Year 11 Final Day

Monday 5th May- May Day- Bank Holiday (School closed)

Tuesday 13th May – Twilight (Early closure)

Friday 23rd May – Sponsored Walk

HALF TERM- Monday 26th May- Friday 30th May inclusive

Monday 2nd June- INSET Day (school closed to students)

Monday 7th – Friday 11th July – Enrichment Week

Monday 14th July – Sports Day

Tuesday 15th July Meet the Tutor Day (School closed to students)

END OF ACADEMIC YEAR: Wednesday 16th July 2025 (Early closure)

McQueen and Chambers Enterprise Days

This term McQueen and Chambers have taken the lead on Enterprise days with a combined total of over £1700! The days have been full of amazing events, including just dance competitions, lucky dips, sponge the teacher, bake sales, how many sweets in a jar and of course non uniform. A really big well done to everyone who took part!



Spanish Spelling Bee

Year 7 students have been continuing to work very hard after their Q3 exams and have participated in a Spanish Spelling Bee this term. In each Year 7 group, students have competed against their classmates to spell the maximum number of words correctly in Spanish in one minute. The competition has been fierce, and students have embraced the task fully, resulting in some very impressive scores in each class. Next term, the winners of each class will compete against each other to select two finalists to go through to a Trust round against Twyford and Wiliam Perkin. Ealing Fields has won the title for the past two years and we are certainly hoping we can win a third time with our Year 7 superstar spellers! Well done to everyone in Year 7 for participating in the fun!

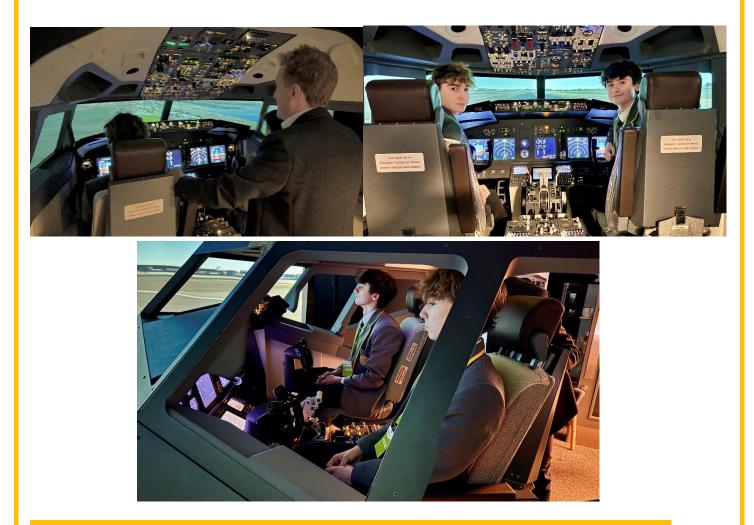
New Generation Film Workshop

Eight year 10s and year 11s have been making a film after school on Wednesdays using real TV film equipment- they have been trained in sound, lights and camerawork! This will be shown in assembly after half term!



University of West London Flight Simulator

Eight lucky students had the opportunity to go to the University of West London to fly their flight simulator! They had the opportunity to both take off and land the plane and hear from the head of the department! It was an incredible opportunity, and we are so grateful to the University of West London for such an amazing day!



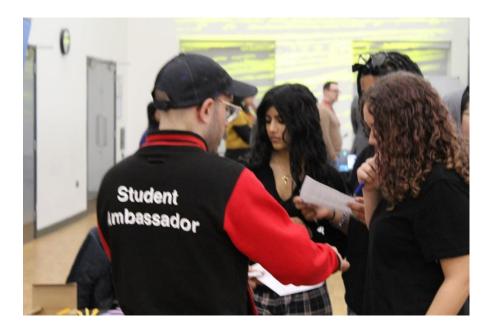
The Maths Challenge

The maths challenge was a great success this term with 61 out of 89 fantastic students receiving gold, silver and bronze certificates based on their success. 10 out of the 38 students who achieved gold were also invited to the next round of the UKMT Maths Challenge. We are proud of all students who took part in year 10 and 9.

The golden 10 from across the three classes, who took part in the next round of the maths challenge (the grey and pink kangaroo), took it on with great confidence tackling some very very difficult problems. We are yet to find out the results on the second round, but we have high hopes as a department.

Careers Fair

On the 6th March we had over 50 stalls for students to walk around and speak to different employers/universities/colleges. It was a fantastic event with students learning all about different opportunities available to them when they leave Ealing Fields. Every student in the school had the opportunity to speak to actors, journalists, nurses, doctors, lawyers, book editors, town planners, writers, engineers, musicians, skincare creators, politicians, accountants, construction companies, local nurseries and many more including speaking with some big companies such as Chelsea FC, Capgemini, BP, London Metropolitan Police, Capel Manor College, Uxbridge College, University of West London and London Metropolitan University and many more . The exhibitors were all super impressed with the students and spoke very highly of their questions. Some year 10 students even got extra work experience! It was a brilliant day of networking!





Career Speakers:

This term we've also had an amazing rotation of guest speakers coming to speak to students from Vets to Barristers to the Home Office to Politics to a fashion designer! All the students have learnt a lot about these different careers and asked great questions

History Scholar's Debate

This term the year 9 History Scholars debated Ada Lovelace on the motion: "The French Revolution was more significant than the Russian Revolution." The Ealing Fields term argued valiantly for the French Revolution being more significant, and it was almost impossible for the judges to choose a winner, although in the end the Ada team just edged it. However, the Ealing Fields team took a lot for the experience and can't wait for the summer debate against Twyford!

Ealing Teen Read

This term has been a busy one for the Library.

Students from Year 8, 9 & 10 continued to read the shortlisted books for **The Ealing Teen Read** this term in the run up to the Final, which we attended on March 18th. Students voted on their top 3 books in school, ahead of the Final, and their votes were pooled with the other Ealing schools taking part to award an overall winner. The Final was hosted by St Augustine's Priory on a gloriously sunny day, and we were excited to find out which book would win. We had the pleasure of hearing last year's shortlisted author Frances Hardinge talk about her self-confessed weird and wonderful books and shared our thoughts on the books we'd read with the students from the other schools attending. *Catch Your Death* by Ravena Guron was a runaway winner and everyone was happy with this as the book also got our Ealing Fields overall winning vote! A huge well done to all the students taking part who have made such a brilliant commitment to the award since November last year, attending regular meetings to share and discuss their thoughts. It's been fun and you have all been great ambassadors for the school.



World Book Day

World Book Day saw a whole week of events for students across the school with visiting authors, book related arts and crafts and dressing up! Students in Year 7 and Year 8 heard author and poet **Gita Ralleigh** talk about her journey to becoming a writer, the importance of diversity in children's literature and her love of fantasy. A smaller group of Y7 students enjoyed a fantasy worldbuilding workshop in the afternoon, while a group of Year 8's found their voice in a poetry workshop. Year 10 and Year 11 were inspired by author Josh Silver who spoke passionately about his route into writing from acting and the importance of mental health. In the afternoon students from both year groups enjoyed a GCSE creative writing workshop that focussed brilliantly on how to find a good ending!





We finished the term with two teams with students from Year 7 & Year 8 representing the school in **The National Literacy Trust's National Reading Champions Quiz.** The teams brought a huge amount of impressive book knowledge and an immense amount of team spirit to the Quiz, answering 75 questions on books, authors and illustrators from picture books to classics to young adult fiction. A brilliant morning was had by all and at the end our teams were awarded the Newcomer Prize! Congratulations to those that took part. You did Ealing Fields very proud!



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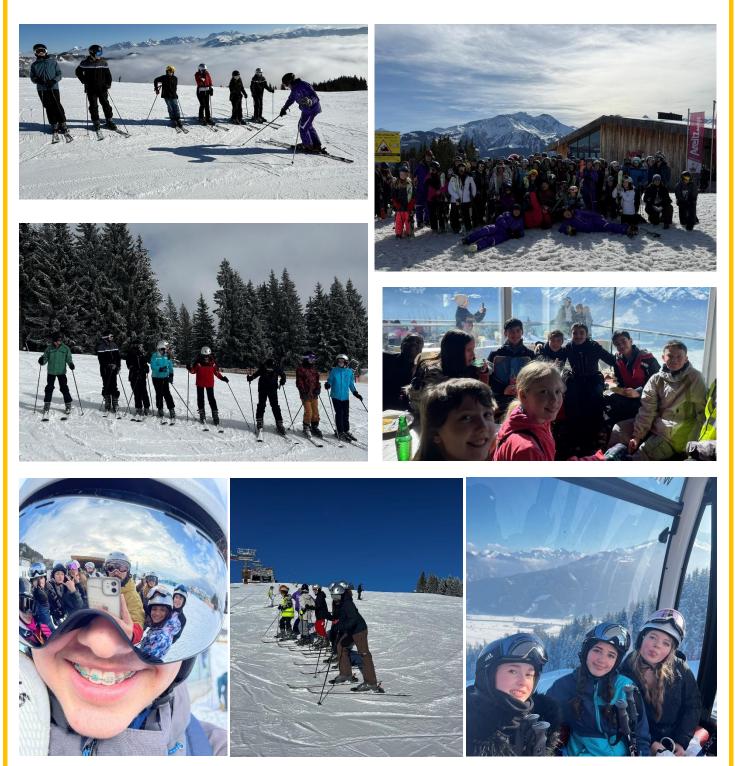
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Ealing Fields Sport

One of the highlights of this term was our annual ski trip that took place in the February half term. On the 15th of February, 48 students and 6 staff embarked on their 22-hour coach journey to Austria, to what only can be described as the ski trip that will go down in history. Many of us had not skied before and some had weeks of experience, but we all learnt so much due to the great instructors we had. While we were off the mountains, we were kept entertained with an evening of bowling, Tyrolean games, disco and even the opportunity to watch a professional ice hockey game. Thank you to all the staff that made this trip possible.





A sport that just keeps getting bigger and more popular at Ealing Fields is NFL flag football. Our girls' team is back to represent Ealing Fields in their third season of the Jets UK NFL Flag League where they are hoping for their third championship. It is a big ask for any team to do this, but the commitment and determination from our girls is second to none. Big shout out to six of our girls who have been trailing for the Great Britain U15 team.

We also field year 7/8 mixed and year 7/8 boys teams for NFL flag. Our year 7/8 mixed team won the reginal qualifiers and are going to represent Ealing at the regional finals in May. They are hoping to qualify for Nationals, which will be a great test for them. The U15 girls NFL flag is also qualified through to the regional finals in May.





Special shout out to 6 of our students who represented Great Britian at the World NFL Flag Super Bowl Games in Florida recently. They made up 6 out of the 10 players in the team. It was great to see lots of our footballers enjoy some competitive games this season as well. Special shoutout to the year 7 and 8 boys teams who are regularly getting 30+ players at trainings. Well done to coach Gargani for leading the team!



We also fielded a year 7 and junior girls football teams. These teams have so much potential, and it was great to see them on the field and scoring some goals!



In February, 15 students represented Ealing in the Ealing Borough Trampolining competition. We had separate teams in the Novice, Intermediate and Advanced categories. All three teams won gold in the team's category, and we also picked up some gold, silver and bronze medals in the individual categories. It was great to see students excel in a sport which some have only been learning for a short time.



Our netball season has come to an end, and what an unbelievable season it was. As it happened, year 7s, 8s, 9s and Seniors had undefeated seasons, with our year 10s only losing one game. Big shout to our U14 team who played at the County finals tournament – it is important to note that we were the only state school that qualified and played in the tournament. Huge shout out to Miss Finnegan and Coach Lou for driving our netball program.

<u>Year 7</u>

Game	Result
Elthorne	W 17 – 3
Drayton Manor	W
Ellen Wilkinson	W 14-2
Ark Acton	W
Twyford	W 12-6
Ada Lovelace	W 15-2

Year 9

Game	Result
Twyford	W 47-0
Ada Lovelace	W 39-0
Ellen Wilkinson	W 12-3
Drayton	W 7-4
Elthorne	W 33-3

Game	Result
Twyford	D 11-11
Drayton Manor	W
Elthorne	W 14-7
Ellen Wilkinson	W 13-1
Ada Lovelace	W21-4

Year 8

<u>Year 10</u>

Game	Result
Tywford	W 11-6
William Perkin	W
Ellen Wilkinson	L 18-3
Drayton	W

Senior

Game	Result
William Perkin	W
Greenford A	D 5-5
Greenford B	D 5-5



Our Year 7 and 8 Rugby teams continued this term showing excellent commitment to training. We finished the seasons off with fixtures against two very strong Twyford sides. It has also been great to see more and more of our students join rugby clubs outside of school. Both teams have won silverware this season, so keep a look out for these two teams next season!



Quick question – where will you find 40 students consistently on a Tuesday morning (7:30 am!!)? At the Sports Hall where you will see our sports hall athletics athletes! It has been great to see huge commitment and joy from this club this year. They achieved success when the year 7 boys won the borough championships and represented Ealing at the London Youth Games. The year 8 boys and girls teams came second at the West London Finals



From all of us in PE, we would like to wish everyone a Happy Easter break, and we look forward to seeing the students back on the sports fields soon in the summer term.





