

Alumni Requests

As we reach the end of another busy term, in addition to the usual school news, we have a few requests for our alumni:

Firstly, can you help with our SLT assemblies in the next academic year? As you may recall these

include a Bible text and a modern example. The theme is Running with Perseverance. A range of alumni careers would enable us to demonstrate that pathways and positive decision making really do lead somewhere. Find out more and sign up [here](#).

Secondly, do you know anyone considering entering the teaching profession? Working as a teaching assistant gives a brilliant insight into education and makes a real difference to children's lives. We are recruiting for several positions for September start. More details on our [Vacancies](#) page.

Lastly, please forward the link below to anyone you are still in touch with and ask them to sign up so we can keep in touch with our alumni <https://twyfordacademies.org.uk/twyford-trust-alumni-form>

MFL Project Update

Our partnership with The Cam Academy Trust and Oak National Academy continues to go from strength to strength, with significant milestones achieved in recent months.

We are proud to now offer over 1,000 lesson resources available for download (<https://www.thenationalacademy>), spanning three languages at KS3 and KS4 and French and Spanish at KS2. Find out more about [this project](#).

Staff News

We are saying goodbye to several senior staff this summer: Ms Denby and Ms Waspe are both moving on from William Perkin and Mr Douglas and Ms Deacon (formerly at Ealing Fields) are leaving Twyford. We are extremely grateful to them for their significant contributions and very sorry to see them go and wish them all the best in their new roles.



Dame Alice Hudson
CEO

Harmony in Diversity Concert

On Tuesday 24th June, Ealing Music Service presented a special celebration of music in Ealing with their 'Harmony in Diversity' concert at the Royal Albert Hall. Students from Twyford CofE Academies Trust performed in a number of parts of the concert:

Singers from Twyford and Ealing Fields sang in a massed choir of 1000 children, and took a leading role in the world premiere of 'Ada in Ealing', a new work by local composer Laura Rossi, with lyrics by children's author and Questors theatre alumnus Michael Rosen.

Four students from Ada Lovelace acted as the Narrators and were able to welcome them both to the school ahead of the concert.

Additionally, the Samba Band from Ealing Fields, and a mixed Djembe group from Ada Lovelace and William Perkin performed in a special work called 'Around the World in 80 Days' by Stefan Defilet which included music from Senegal, India and Latin America.

There were also students from all four Trust schools performing as members of the Ealing Youth Orchestra and Cadenza Ensembles.

The concert was an incredible experience for all involved.





Twyford Sports Awards

Students were celebrated for a range of sporting achievements including Ealing borough winners in athletics, netball, cricket in different age groups. We were honoured to have inspirational and incredibly talented Tyrese Johnson-Fisher as our guest speaker for the evening, who spoke passionately about his pathway to success.



Christian Aid's 80th Anniversary Service

Students from Twyford Church of England High School joined a global congregation at Westminster Abbey, for a special service to mark the 80th anniversary of international development agency Christian Aid.

The event involved some 2,000 guests, from staff and supporters to church leaders and charity partners from around the world, who came together to reflect on achievements of the past eight decades, give thanks, and recommit to the charity's mission to end global poverty.

The service opened with an uplifting performance of "We are marching in the Light of God" led by Twyford's Sacred Choir with the Kingdom Choir and Emmanuel Smith. Later in the service they returned with a newly reimagined version of "When I Needed a Neighbour" written by Sydney Carter for the charity's 20th birthday.

Sixty years on, the hymn has been re-imagined with the help of Rev Ally Barrett who has written new lyrics reflecting issues in the world today with an arrangement by Marsha Morrison and Marc Morrison from The Kingdom Choir. Choir conductor Karen Gibson MBE posted a [video on Instagram](#) about the event.





First Lego League update

Our team did themselves proud at the National Final of this competition in Harrogate.

They learned lots from the 67 teams from across the UK, many of whom had made it to the finals many times before.



SIAMS Inspection



In a new school, ethos builds gradually and is the result of multiple acts of many people from all across the school community. As this is Ada Lovelace's first SIAMS report, we have extracted some of the quotes we are particularly proud of from the report below.

'The school's clear Christian vision is well thought out, drives decision making and is evident in the flourishing of students and adults'.

'The ambitious, engaging curriculum, including the pastoral programme and wider learning provision, is carefully planned to meet students' needs. Consequently, it offers a rich learning experience that is shaped by the aspirational vision'.

The full report is published [here](#).



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Students from Holy Family Catholic primary school demonstrated their German progress to the famous *The Gruffalo* illustrator Axel Scheffler during a visit to their school on 10th June. Students performed German music and songs and spoke to him in German. Ms Lyon was present on the day and was so proud of the students German speaking ability gained through our ongoing KS3 project with the Goethe-Institut.



Three of our Y12 Digital T Level students (recent alumni of Ealing Fields) were selected for the prestigious 6-week work placement at IBM. Over the course of the placement they have put the technical skills learnt on the T Level course into practical use such as generative AI, SQL and backend development. They were tasked to develop an application and follow the process through from designing, coding, testing to user acceptance testing.

We are launching Accounting T Level in September and looking for additional placement opportunities for students in this and our Digital Software Development and Laboratory Science T Levels. Email office@adalovelace.org.uk if you are able to help.





IBM Workshop

Year 10 participated in a workshop delivered by IBM in May. Focussing on the importance of presenting skills/nonverbal communication skills to get one step ahead of their peers, they learnt how to be aware of their body language, posture, eye contact, voice, appearance and facial expressions. The workshop was very well received and we are grateful to IBM for developing the relationship with the Trust to include us.



VE Day 80th anniversary

On Thursday 8th May 2025, marking the 80th anniversary of VE Day, Ealing Fields students attended and contributed to a ceremony to commemorate SOE agent and wartime hero Odette Sansom. English Heritage unveiled a blue plaque on the house in Ealing where she had lived prior to the outbreak of the Second World War. On her return from active duties in France she became the first woman to be awarded the George Cross.



Double NFL Flag Champions

On Tuesday, 17th June 2025, Ealing Fields proudly had two teams competing in the national finals of the NFL Flag Championship. We are thrilled to announce that both our Under-15 girls' team and our Under-13 mixed team emerged victorious in their respective tournaments and are now both national champions!

The Under-13 mixed team will go on to represent Great Britain in a tournament in Ohio, USA later this month, while the Under-15 girls' team will represent Great Britain in the European Championships held in Paris at the end of September. Huge congratulations to both teams.





Founders Day

This year we focused on “All the Small Things” and welcomed keynote speakers Prof Ray Owens from the Rosalind Franklin Institute and Dr Rebecca Jeffery, a post-doctoral researcher both from Oxford University. Other highlights of the day included “Snot, Sick & Scabs” a workshop from Centre of the Cell at Queen Mary’s University and a visit from Animals UK who brought a chameleon, a skunk, a tarantula, a tortoise and a “little owl”

with them for students to handle and study. We also had a very interactive talk from Professor Hal Sosabowski on “Science and the Law” drawing on one of his many specialisms, forensic science. Other presenters came from the University of West London, Imperial College, London School of Health & Tropical Medicine, the Sainsbury Wellcome Centre, Synthoma, Harbour Energy and the Canals & Rivers Trust.

Special mention goes to Nancy Shehata, one of our own alumni, who returned to WP from Kingston University to talk about her studies in automotive engineering including her work on the “Formula Student” team designing a racing car. The big finale was an explosive show from the Royal Institution in the PC.



Barclays Knight-Stokes Cup launch

On Thursday, 26th June two outstanding cricketing students from William Perkin, Veer Patel and Veer Pawar, were invited to Lords Cricket Ground for the launch of the new National State School Cricket competition – the Knight-Stokes Cup. They were in vaunted company with such sporting legends as Michael Vaughan, Mark Nicholas, Jay Boothroyd and Matt Dawson in attendance as well as our very own Head of Cricket, Sajid Mahmood. Sajid was part of an esteemed panel that were asked for thoughts and opinions on the new competition and how it would positively affect cricket development in state schools.

In addition to this, both Veers and Sajid along with the Trust Director of Sport, Dave Sargent, were all featured in a promotional video that was shown on the BBC and Sky. The video can be seen here, [KS Cup V4 on Vimeo](#), and shows how valued and prominent William Perkin CofE High School has become with regards to state school cricket on a national level.

It was an outstanding day out with the students relishing the opportunity to talk to some of the greats in the prestigious ‘Lords Long Room’.





Our first cohort graduate

As temperatures soared to 33°C on Monday 30th June, we gathered to celebrate a milestone that marks both an end and a beginning - the graduation of our 2024–2025 trainee teachers. With 108 trainees recommended for QTS and two thirds of them opting to take PGCE in addition, this exceptional cohort leaves not only with professional qualifications but also with friendships, memories and wisdom that will last a lifetime.

Welcome to our 2025-26 cohort

In early July, our 2025 Initial Teacher Training (ITT) cohort marked the beginning of their journey into one of the most transformative and rewarding professions - teaching - as they met their fellow trainees for the first time at Induction. Our Secondary trainees (Days 1 & 2) and Primary trainees (Days 3 & 4) were immersed in the vision, culture, expectations and foundational skills that will guide them through the ITT year and shape them into outstanding educators.

We're delighted to have seven alumni training with us next year: Emily Aimable-Lina, Julia Kuswik, Amber Alleyne, Ayla Issa, Kamal Romain, Mazin Mohammed and Zoe Owusu, who shares a little of her journey below.

"Since finishing school I completed a first-class degree in Economics at the University of Essex and worked for four years as a Renewals Manager in a commercial analytics role. Teaching has always been a passion of mine, and in my own time, I've supported young people through tutoring. After stepping away



from tutoring due to work commitments, I realised how much I missed the opportunity to inspire students, boost their confidence, and support their academic and personal development. Teaching allows me to combine my love of learning with my desire to make a meaningful difference."

Do you or anyone you know want to be part of our 2026-27 cohort? Applications to train to teach with us open in October but you can [register your interest](#) now.



Primary graduation



Secondary graduation



Primary induction



Secondary induction

