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### **DEEP LEARNING DAY**

The focus of Deep Learning Day on Thursday this week for years 7 and 8 was Political literacy. The aim was to explain democracy to the students and develop their knowledge of the UK parliamentary system.

Year 7 events included a speaker from the Green Party – Stephen Taylor; Liza Kela Collins talked to students about the Compassion in World Farming Movement and how the food choices we make influence the world plus teacher led sessions on the nature of democracy in the UK, the nature of society and how it operates and "Animal Parliament" – looking at "Animal Farm" and the difficulties of running a democracy.

Another speaker for the Green Party – Dee Searle talked to the students in Year 8 about political literacy and views of the Green party; a Quilliam Foundation speaker spoke about the dangers of radicalisation and how to prevent it and there were teacher led sessions similar to year 7. Year 11 had special study sessions to prepare them for forthcoming GCSE exams.



### **Filming at WES**

On Deep Learning Day the boys were met at the school gates by a small film crew, which then came along to film the various events throughout the day to film. There will be a couple of other days of filming in order to produce a short film about the school and our community.



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## China Trip 2016

Mr Forrest and the students going to China next week have been very busy fundraising. We are very pleased that the Old Elysians' Club Committee and WESPA as well as the China Tea House in Covent Garden have made donations to *China Trip 2016*.



### **Sports News**

**Dodgeball Competitions continue next week for Year** 10 on Monday in the Sports Hall.



An extract from Burnley Football Club's website this week regarding a recent William Ellis student:

### **Olomowewe joins clarets:**

Burnley Football Club is delighted to announce the signing of powerful centre half Taofiq Olomowewe. The 6ft 3" defender, 19, who joins until the summer of 2017 after impressing on trial, will link-up with the Development Squad.

Development Squad manager Michael Jolley said: "Taofiq is a terrific character with real potential, who has been here for a little while on trial.

"We are delighted to have him here and hopefully he will have a good career at Burnley."

http://mobile.burnleyfootballclub.com//news/article/olomowewe-joins-clarets-3009254.aspx

## **YEAR 7 Volcanoes**

Some of the volcanoes before eruption last Friday:



Volcano winners were:

Lauderdale House – Jeremiah Quarshie Fenton House – Freddie Cendrowicz Burgh House - Alex Spence Keats House – Rio Ali Willow House - Jack Espiner



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# Last chance to apply for a Camden Scholarship

The **4**<sup>th</sup> **April deadline** for the Camden Scholarships programme is fast approaching and this is your last chance to secure a fully or part-funded degree for your child. If you have already applied to UCAS, you can still apply for a Camden Scholarship provided you live in Camden.

Camden Council is working in partnership with <u>Anglia Ruskin University,London</u> and <u>HULT</u> <u>International Business School</u> to offer Camden school children a range of part and fully-funded scholarships to help them realise their full potential.

With tuition fees increasing, the scholarships provide a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to transform your child's career prospects without getting into debt. (The Hult undergraduate scholarship is worth  $\pm 90.000$ ). Read our <u>case studies</u> to find out more.

The offer includes part-time options for some courses and the opportunity to study overseas. The scholarships are offered from Year 12 upwards but are also available to residents of any age with minimum B/CC A level grades or BTEC equivalent. Both institutions are located in Camden and qualify for UK student loans to support living cost

For more information, phone: 0207 974 1388

To apply simply download the application form at: <u>www.camden.gov.uk/camdenscholarships</u>.

We will also need two written references from a teacher or from a part-time job.

Deadline: 4 April 2016

## **Staff News**

Ms Malik, English Teacher will be leaving at Easter to work at a school nearer home. We send her our best wishes.

This Friday the school has been busy interviewing for her replacement and we will let you know who has been appointed in the next newsletter.

## **Office Request**

A reminder that all requests for Exceptional Leave should be made using the Exceptional Leave form on the school website, or from the office, rather than by letter.



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## School Events week commencing 21<sup>st</sup> March:

Monday – Thursday – Breakfast Club: 8am, Homework Club: 3.15pm, with City Year

Monday – Year 9 Options forms to be returned to school, World Poetry Day, KS3 National Gallery Trip: All Day, Camden Music Concert at Royal Albert Hall with rehearsals 2.30-6.30pm and concert at 7pm, Year 10 Inter-house Dodgeball: 1.15pm, Duke of Edinburgh Award session: 3.15pm, Drawing Club for NASA Poster competition, LRC: 3.15pm, Year 11 Action Tutoring: 3.20pm

Tuesday – Ski Trip Departs: 3.30am, Year 7/part Year 8 Trip to Unicorn Theatre: All Day (Year 7 Timetable suspended for day) Year 10 Peer Mentoring: 8am, Tree of Life Workshop: 4.30pm

**Wednesday** – China Trip Departs from Heathrow: 8am, WBA Project: 8.50am, Construction Taster Event at Westminster Kingsway: 1pm, Somali "Young Leaders" Workshop: 3.15pm, Year 7 Basketball fixture, ABS: 4pm

Thursday – Years 7-11 will be dismissed at 12.15pm (end of period 3) and to be off-site by 12.45pm.

Easter Holiday: Friday 25<sup>th</sup> March – Friday 8<sup>th</sup> April. Ski Trip returns 29<sup>th</sup> March. China Trip returns 5th April. Students return to school on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> April at 8.30am (Week A).

### **DIARY DATES**

EASTER HOLIDAY (25 <sup>th</sup> March – 8 <sup>th</sup> April) GCSE Easter Revision Classes		
Summer ter	m starts	Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> April, 8.35am
Canteen me	eeting	Wed 13 <sup>th</sup> April – 6pm
School close	ed to students for staff professional trainin	g Wed 20 <sup>th</sup> April: all day
Governors'	School Improvement Committee	Thu 21st April: 5.30pm
WESPA mee	eting	Tue 26th April: 6pm
Internation	al Evening	Wed 27 <sup>th</sup> April: 6pm
Governors'	Personnel & Resources Committee	Wed 4 <sup>th</sup> May: 5pm

# WESPA INDOOR CAR BOOT SALE THIS SATURDAY (19<sup>th</sup>)

#### Uniform Swap and Recycle

WESPA will be running the very successful school uniform *Swap and Recycle* stall at the Table Top Sale on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> March.

Please bring your outgrown uniform along to swap at the stall on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> March.



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