

ACS PARENTS NEWS

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MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

Dear Parents and Carers,

On Monday evening we welcomed our incoming Year 7 cohort to our school. The Year 6 Induction Event was extremely well attended by the parents of the primary school children who have been allocated a place in our school for September 2019. It was very pleasing to find out how popular we have become – we are very fortunate to be full with waiting lists in all year groups.

Thank you for your support during Year 9 Options Evening. I am so pleased that our Year 9 students are taking this process so seriously - it is a very important time of their life. These choices are likely to impact on A Level choices, university applications and potential careers.

Alperton welcomes its prospective new Year 7 students to the school

On Monday we had the wonderful opportunity to invite to our school our prospective new year 7 cohort to meet with our staff and take advantage of their guidance and assistance with the application process. We had a large number of parents and students attending the event to secure their place in our school from September 2019.

Parents were impressed with our school facilities and knowledgeable staff and were happy to have chosen Alperton as the best place for their child to continue their education. We look forward to welcoming our new students in September embarking on a seven-year journey with us.



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'If at first, you don't succeed, try, try again' (William E. Hickson, Educational writer)
'If at first, you don't succeed, dust yourself off and try again' (Aaliyah, singer)

It is no coincidence that two very different individuals have similar quotes. The art of bending and not breaking, 'bounce-back-ability' and thick skin are always recognised as great attributes of successful human beings. Difficulties will come, just like the hurricanes which rage the oceans and coastlines of many islands. Palm trees are a great example of this, they don't break at such times, but as the challenge of the howling winds arrive, they bend gracefully to the rhythm of the ocean waves and regain their elegant postures, bamboo trees show bounce-back-ability by regaining their positions as if never once moved. However, both also hold images for me of sunshine, warmth and good things in life.

This is the art of being **RESILIENT**, remember this as a key ingredient in success - don't break, bend and sway with the changes of life.

Eco schools news



The Eco committee is getting ready to get involved in some major events coming up in March. On 22 March is **WORLD WATER DAY** and the **GREAT BIG CLEAN**. On that week, the Eco Committee will deliver a special Assembly to promote those two environmental events and will take this opportunity to share its Action Plan with the whole school. In order to support

WORLD WATER DAY, extra PSHEE lessons planned by the Eco-Coordinator will be delivered to raise awareness of the importance of saving water. On 22nd of March, the Eco Committee will join the Global Litter Less Campaign by taking part to the largest ever school litter pick. The member of the Eco Committee will clean up the canal near Sainsbury and we are looking for some Eco volunteers to pick up litter in the playground on that day at lunch time. All volunteers will get 15 achievement points as well as an early lunch pass. If interested, please tell Ms Paoletti or any member of the Eco Committee.

Successful National Careers Week



Last week (4th - 8th March) was National Careers Week and here at Alperton Community School we ran a number of events and activities in order to support this event. On Monday during form time, students explored the importance of Labour

Market Information when making decisions about career choices. Comparing careers against one another and against the national average enabled students to easily see if a certain vocation is in growth or decline. Activities continued during form time throughout the week where all students designed a careers information app targeted to year 6 students. Talks were also held throughout the week, from a quantity surveyor, the university of Essex and Quintain and a building contractor working on Wembley Park site. Many thanks to all students and staff for their effective participation which ensured all events were a success.

Alperton students take part in the Magistrate Court Competition

On Saturday 9 March, our Year 9 students took part in the Magistrate Court Competition at Willesden Youth Court. Alperton Team 1 won both their prosecuting and defending rounds, while Alperton Team 2 won their defending round and got a split decision in their prosecution round with the judge favouring the defence. Both teams did extremely well and two of our students won individual prizes based on their performances. The students really enjoyed the experience and it was a great opportunity for them to learn new skills.



Dates for your Diary

ALL	Tuesday 2 April - All students Celebration Assemblies
11	Wednesday 3 April - Year 11 Year 11 Targeted Parents Evening
ALL	08 April - 22 April All students - Easter Holiday
12 13	Thursday 25 April - Year 12 & 13 Year 12 & 13 Parents Evening
7	Thursday 2 May - Year 7KLN PQ R Year 7KLMPQR Parents Evening
7	Thursday 9 May - Year 7STV WXY Year 7STVWXY Parents Evening
8 9 10	Thursday 16 May - Year 8,9,10 Year 8, 9, 10 Steps to Success Evening

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Words of the Week

