

ACS PARENTS NEWS

Monday 29 April - Friday 03 May - Issue #25

Dates for your Diary

7	Thursday 9 May - Year 7STVWXY Year 7STVWXY Parents Evening
8 9 10	Thursday 16 May - Year 8,9,10 Year 8, 9, 10 Steps to Success Evening
9	Wednesday 22 May - Year 9 Y9 NPQR Literacy Drop Down
9	Thursday 23 May - Year 9 Y9 STVX Literacy Drop Down
ALL	27 May - 31 May All students - Half Term

Library Newsletters

Click on the images below to see this month's editions of our ER and SA Library Newsletters, packed with interesting information about books and library events.

SA Library Newsletter

ER Library Newsletter



Message from the Headteacher

Congratulations to Ms Kobika Balasingam who has been shortlisted for "New Teacher of the Year" in the TES School Awards 2019. The winner will be announced during a special ceremony and dinner at the Grosvenor House Hotel in Park Lane on the evening of Friday 21 June 2019. Fingers crossed for another ACS success – good luck Ms Balasingam!

Thank you to all the parents who met with staff during Year 7 Parents' Evening. Well done for an excellent turn out - a number of teachers I spoke to had a 100% turn out. A reminder that Year 7STVWXY Parents' Evening will take place on Thursday 9 May from 5:00pm-7:00pm at our Ealing Road site.

Please see below a summary of the arrangements for Years 11, 12 and 13 during the examination season:

Year 11 study leave will only be granted in exceptional circumstances. Ms Rufo will communicate names of students allowed on study leave this week. This means almost all Year 11 students will be in lessons / pre-exam revision sessions until half term. We will continue pre-exam sessions for Year 11 after half term.

Year 12 will not be sitting AS examinations. This is to give teachers time to cover a significant portion of the A2 specification before the summer break. Lessons will continue as normal until the summer break.

Year 13 will continue in lessons until half term. Teachers will be available to support students with their revision in normal timetabled lessons after half term.

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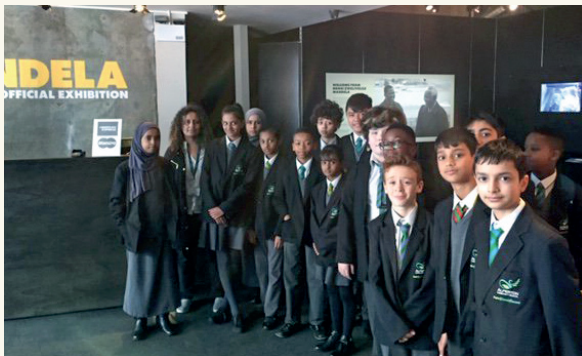
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When J.K. Rowling was searching for a publisher for *Harry Potter and The Philosopher's Stone*, she could not afford a computer or the cost of photocopying the 90,000 word novel. She manually typed out each version to send to publishers and it was rejected dozens of times. A small London publisher finally gave the novel a second chance after the CEO's daughter fell in love with it. We are often faced with things that do not go our way. It might be a test score that is not what we hoped, a match that should have been an easy victory, or a topic we simply cannot understand. It would be easy to just ignore our failures - but we can also choose to build our RESILIENCE by being determined to find ways to learn from our mistakes and do better next time.

Alperton students visit The Official Nelson Mandela Exhibition

On Tuesday 26 April, one hundred and twenty Alperton students had the privilege of visiting The Official Nelson Mandela Exhibition currently taking place at Leake Street Gallery, London. The exhibition gave the students an insight into the personal life of the world's most iconic freedom fighter and political leader. Through the numerous galleries and artefacts on display, the students were taken back in time to the

rural childhood home of Nelson Mandela, and follow him through the years of struggles against apartheid regime and the global celebration of his release after 27 years in prison. The students found the exhibition truly inspirational and educational and were deeply impressed by some of the items on display. "The artefacts were so lifelike that it felt like I was standing next to Nelson Mandela himself."



Summer Term Clubs and Activities

Our school runs a variety of fantastic clubs before school, at lunch and after school. These clubs give students the opportunity to make new friends, learn new skills and gain confidence. Below are some of our most popular clubs this summer. To see our full range of clubs and activities, please click here.

 Breakfast Club	 Kendo club	 Table Tennis	 Geography	 Duke of Edinburgh
 Literacy	 Photoshop club	 RAK club	 Homework club	 Map Club

Sky Ocean Rescue #PassOnPlastic competition

Sky Ocean Rescue organised an exciting blog competition for students age 11-16 to express their views on the state of our oceans, for a chance to spend a VIP day at Sky Academy.

The entries submitted by our students have been published on the BBC Young Reporter blog. Please click on the right-hand side image to see their entries.

ECO CLUB AND BBC YOUNG REPORTER

Oceans are important to all of us... and they're in danger. If nothing changes by 2050, the amount of plastic in our oceans could weigh more than all the fish!

People have the power to make a difference and every voice counts... We want to hear yours!

What is the #PassOnPlastic blog competition?
It's a challenging yet playful competition that allows you to express your views on the state of our oceans. Use your creativity and communication skills to write a blog for those in charge of the ocean. Offering views from your school and spreading the message about the importance of protecting our oceans... and encourage others to #PassOnPlastic.

How do I enter?
Write a blog post of at least 100 words to be published on our blog. The top 10 entries will be featured on the BBC Young Reporter blog. The competition ends on 30th April. The winner will receive a VIP day at Sky Academy. Good luck!

What is the prize?
The winner will receive a VIP day at Sky Academy. The runner-up will receive a VIP day at Sky Academy. The top 10 entries will be featured on the BBC Young Reporter blog. The competition ends on 30th April. The winner will receive a VIP day at Sky Academy. Good luck!

Tips to help you create your entry

What is a blog?
A blog is a great way to express your ideas and opinions about an issue, or even to encourage other people to do something about it.

What makes a good blog?
A good blog should clearly convey your passion for the subject and read as though it came from the heart.

- Creative
- Interesting/read
- Well thought out
- Well written (without spelling or grammatical mistakes)

Think about the people you want reading your blog and you want them to be able to read it.

DEADLINE: Friday 30th April

sky ocean rescue

Ramadan 2019

Click on the image below to see the letter for parents with important information about Ramadan 2019.



Words of the Week

WORDS OF THE WEEK
ACADEMIC WORD LIST

WEEK BEGINNING

06 May 2019

- institute
- invest
- itemise
- journal
- maintain

ACS Food Bank Service

Alperton Community School are pleased to be starting a 'Food Bank' service. If your child receives free school meals and you are struggling to provide food at home, a free box of food might benefit you. If you would like more information about this service and how to receive help from our Food Bank, please email j.powell@alperton.brent.sch.uk for more information and we can confidentially help you out. We understand this is a sensitive matter and we will ensure every effort is made to provide this service discreetly and of course without judgement.