

ACS PARENTS NEWS

Monday 16 September - Friday 20 September Issue #3

Dates for your Diary

ALL	Wednesday 25 September - All Open Evening - Early finish
13	Monday 14 October UCAS Early Bird Deadline
ALL	21 October - 25 October All students - Half Term
11	Thursday 31 October - Year 11 Sixth Form Open Evening - Parents and Students
ALL	Friday 22 November Academy Day. School closed.
ALL	Monday 2 December Staff Training Day - No students in school
ALL	23 December - 03 January All students - Christmas Holiday

Words of the Week



WEEK BEGINNING

23 September 2019

maximise

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negate

outcome

partner



Photo: Mr Gerard McKenna BSc(Hons) NPQH

Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers

On Friday, all of our school community participated in a highly enjoyable Extended Learning Day. Among the many activities taking place, students participated in wellbeing carousels, a soap box enterprise, a stock market challenge and a mental health workshop. The sixth form students used the time to prepare their UCAS statements, which are key to the success of their university applications.

Thank you to the parents and carers who attended our Parent Information Event on Wednesday 4 September 2019. If you were unable to attend the event or would like a recap, an information pack can be found [here](#) and the calendar of events for each year group [here](#).

OPEN EVENING

WEDNESDAY 25 SEPTEMBER, EALING ROAD, 6PM-8PM



Excellent GCSE Results at Alperton

- 20% of students achieved the top grades (9-7) in English and maths.
- ACS students obtained 57 Grade 9 results across the new qualifications, putting us into the top 4% of results in the country.
- Students achieved 10 Grade 9 results in English and 9 Grade 9 results in maths. Across the sciences, 15 students achieved the highest possible grade.
- In 2019, 60% of students made better than expected progress in English and over 50% of students made better than expected progress in maths.

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BECOMING A PARENT GOVERNOR?

Please click on the flyer to the right to find out more information.



Silver Duke of Edinburgh students go on a practice expedition to Ashdown forest



Our Silver Duke of Edinburgh students took part in a practice expedition in the Ashdown forest at the end of July. The expedition lasted four days and it went extremely well. The three teams worked well together to navigate the routes and demonstrated their ability to camp independently, with maturity and great organisational skills. Many thanks to Miss Ruxton, Mr Hughes, Miss Cooney and Miss Leppard for supervising the trip. The assessed expedition in the New Forest went excellently; the groups walked from the seaside at Hurst View campsite all

the way to Holmsley campsite. Walking 20 miles over three days with all the camping equipment, food and camping stove is a fantastic achievement.

The assessor was very impressed with our students and I hope they can complete their Volunteering, Physical and Skill sections in order to achieve the full Silver Award, which is internationally recognised. Fingers crossed the students will be eligible and keen to pursue the Gold level afterwards, which will take us to the Lake District and Peak District during the Easter and summer holidays. Many thanks to Mr Jonathan Crowley, our assessor, Mr T Alloway and Miss McDonnell for all their support.



ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BECOMING A PARENT VOLUNTEER

We are currently looking for parents to volunteer at the school. Your skills and experience can be very useful to us, so if you wish to dedicate some of your time to the school, you can help out either on a regular basis (e.g. at Breakfast Club or Lunchtime) or on a single occasion, such as joining educational trips and visits.

If you would like to get involved, please contact Ms Murphy:

Tel: 0208 902 2038

Email: k.murphy@alperton.brent.sch.uk

ELD 1 - Wellbeing

Our first ELD this year was excellent. Students took part in a wide range of activities and workshops focused on wellbeing and personal health. Please click on the image below to see photos from the event.



Parent Pay Account

Please remember to check your child's Parent Pay account every Friday to make sure it is topped up for the following week. To find out more information about this service, please click on the image below:



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RESPECTFUL

Being **RESPECTFUL** means that we are polite, considerate and appreciative. We are **RESPECTFUL** to each other and to our environment. It is particularly important that we care for our learning environment. We have been very fortunate, we have been blessed with the gift of a new school. The new school is not just for us, but for future generations of our community. This means we have a duty to be particularly **RESPECTFUL** of our school environment. One way we can all be **RESPECTFUL** of the school environment is to uphold our ban on chewing gum. Students are not permitted to chew gum at any time.