

## COVID-19 COMMUNITY SUPPORT

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## LIBRARY NEWSLETTERS

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

[ER Library Newsletter](#)

[SA Library Newsletter](#)



## Message from the Headteacher



Photo: Mr Gerard McKenna BSc(Hons) NPQH

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a year!! It really has been the most extraordinary year in my teaching career. In between lockdowns, home learning, lateral flow tests, face coverings and teacher assessed grades; we even had an Ofsted inspection. Unfortunately, I am unable to disclose the outcome of the inspection until the report has been published, but myself and the Governors were very pleased with the confidential feedback we received from the Lead Inspector last week.

Thank you so much for your tremendous ongoing support. We have learnt so much and adapted incredibly well over the past 18 months. We should all be incredibly proud of the way our students and our community has overcome these challenges with tremendous initiative, determination and resilience!

Good luck to our Year 11 and Year 13 students who will receive their GCSE and A Level results in August. We wish them all the very best with university, apprenticeship and college applications as they progress to the next stage in their education.

Please make sure you and your children take some time off and get the summer break you richly deserve. Hopefully things will begin to return to normal over the summer. As things stand, we will be inviting students to come to the school to take a lateral flow testing **from Tuesday 31 August**. We will keep a close watch on national guidance and local news and inform you about any changes to our procedures ahead of our September return.

## Important Calendar Dates

- Wednesday, 01 September 2021
- Thursday, 02 September 2021
- Friday, 03 September 2021
- Monday, 06 September 2021
- Monday, 25 October 2021 to Friday, 29 October 2021
- Monday, 22 November 2021
- Friday, 17 December 2021
- Staff Training Day (No students in school)
- Staff Training Day (No students in school)
- Year 7 & 12 Induction
- Autumn Term begins for all years
- Half Term
- Staff Training Day (No students in school)
- Last Day of Term



## Duke of Edinburgh Gold Award

Congratulations to Ms Edwards and Ms Ernestine and to our 24 enthusiastic year 12 students for a fantastic Duke of Edinburgh Gold Award expedition to Wales. A compelling account of their experience can be read [here](#).

## Alperton Achieves Flagship School Status for Inclusion for the second time



We are proud to announce that our school has achieved IQM Flagship School status again. IQM Flagship School award recognises those unique schools who played a strong leadership role in developing inclusion best practice in their school or a network of schools. It promotes equal opportunities for all pupils, regardless of their age, gender, ethnicity, attainment and background. An inclusive school is defined by Ofsted as one in which the teaching and learning, achievements, attitudes and well-being of every student matter.

[Click here to read the full article posted on the IQM's website.](#)

## Our Year 12 students trying their kayaking skills for the first time



Congratulations to our LS9 students who enjoyed their last forest school session at the end of June. They were joined by some keen members of the Level 2 program and thanks to Miss Zaraat's support they were able to try kayaking for the first time.

The students taking part in the forest school sessions with Phoenix Centre have really grown in confidence and self-esteem and have learned many skills such as building fires, how to make wooden furniture using ropes and sticks, tree swings, creating an obstacle course, making woodland shelters, identifying wild flowers, finding items in the woods on a scavenger hunt and playing a lot of hide and seek!!! It was an amazing opportunity for this group. Many thanks to all staff who helped organising the event.

## Medics Bulletin

Please click on the image below to check out the latest edition of the PiXL Medics Bulletin for information and advice about getting into Top Universities.



## GCSEPod – Summer Learning Programme

From 26 July and over the course of 3 weeks, students and parents are invited to participate in engaging & interactive webinars and interviews with subject specialists, resources, podcasts and more. Please click on the poster below to find out more.



## Summer events & activities in Brent





## Careers Magazines

Please check our [Careers page](#) on the website for a collection of electronic magazines for parents. Below you can download a guide for the summer holidays.



## Safeguarding Newsletter

Please check out below the summer edition of our Safeguarding Newsletter



## Domestic Abuse Support in Brent

**Scared? Controlled? Don't know where to turn?**  
Call Advance on 07398 454898

**WHO ARE ADVANCE?**  
Advance is an independent, chartered charity that supports women who have experienced domestic abuse living in Brent.

**WHAT IS DOMESTIC ABUSE?**  
Domestic abuse is any incident or pattern of incidents of controlling, coercive, threatening behaviour, violence or other forms of abuse between intimate partners, ex-partners or family members.

**WHAT CAN ADVANCE DO?**  
Advance is here and ready to support you! We can help you understand your options and your legal rights. Talk to the police for you, help with other housing, and help you with making your own decisions.

**WHAT CAN/ACCESS OUR SUPPORT?**  
All adult survivors (Brent and beyond), their children and teenage girls. Anyone who has experienced domestic abuse and is living in Brent.

If you would like to talk about your situation or someone you know, please contact us on 07398 454898 or [brent.admin@advancecharity.org.uk](mailto:brent.admin@advancecharity.org.uk)  
We are open 10am-6pm, Monday-Friday.  
IN AN EMERGENCY, ALWAYS CALL 999.

## A very successful and engaging first ever Week of Activities at Alperton



Many thanks to all teachers and staff for the commitment, resilience and hard work in planning and delivering a fantastic week of activities at the beginning of July. All students showed a lot of enthusiasm and it was nice to see how engaged they were in learning new skills.

On Monday students were involved in department-led Character Education events. Year 7 engaged in a creative Paper Lantern workshop, our Y8's took part in an informative FGM presentation by ARC and Year 9 students explored the concept of Pressure and Hydraulics through the assembly of a model excavator. Year 12 students were given the opportunity to experience the game of Ultimate Frisbee, an activity led by Mr. Lazaroo and a group of volunteers from the local community.

On Tuesday and Wednesday, our Year 7-10 students enjoyed two packed days of competitiveness, encouragement & team work during our Sports Days. Everyone performed brilliantly and it was great to see both staff and students having so much fun. On Tuesday we also organised an inspirational Careers Day for our Year 9 students, giving them the opportunity to expand on their problem solving, communication and enterprise skills.



On Wednesday our Year 7's participated in the 'Soap Box Challenge', a fun and creative workshop that engaged students in designing, manufacturing and marketing a soap product, whilst learning about teamwork, creativity, enterprise and business skills. Their final prototypes were amazing!

On Thursday our Y8's enjoyed a fantastic Army Day with Army In London. Students were working in teams, engaging in lots of interactive activities whilst exercising their problem solving and organisational skills. During the week our sixth formers worked on their personal development skills, began preparing their UCAS applications and enjoyed a fun and adventurous trip to Thorpe Park. Many thanks to all staff, particularly to Ms Edwards and Ms Hirani for organising such a successful and inspiring week.

## ACS students performe at the unveiling of the Art Mural in Alperton



Last Sunday, a group of Alperton students representing ACS Music, made our community proud by performing at the unveiling of the Art Mural in Alperton, which was designed and influenced by a number of our students.

The students performed on the Dhol drums, played the piano and sang for an audience of almost one hundred people. They performed with a lot of confidence and skill and were very well received by the audience. Well done to all students for representing the first community performance of the year with many more to come next year. Thank you to Ms Ernestine for organising this great event.