

WELCOME

A message from the Head of School

Mrs G McLaughlin

It has been a great start back to this term and I am delighted that we are continuing to go from strength to strength. Our staff and students are exceptional people and to see the wonderful things happening across all aspects of Academy life makes me feel incredibly fortunate to be part of such a special community.

I am becoming more and more concerned about our students' use of mobile phones and we are looking at our policy this half term. I will keep you updated with any changes.

Yours sincerely

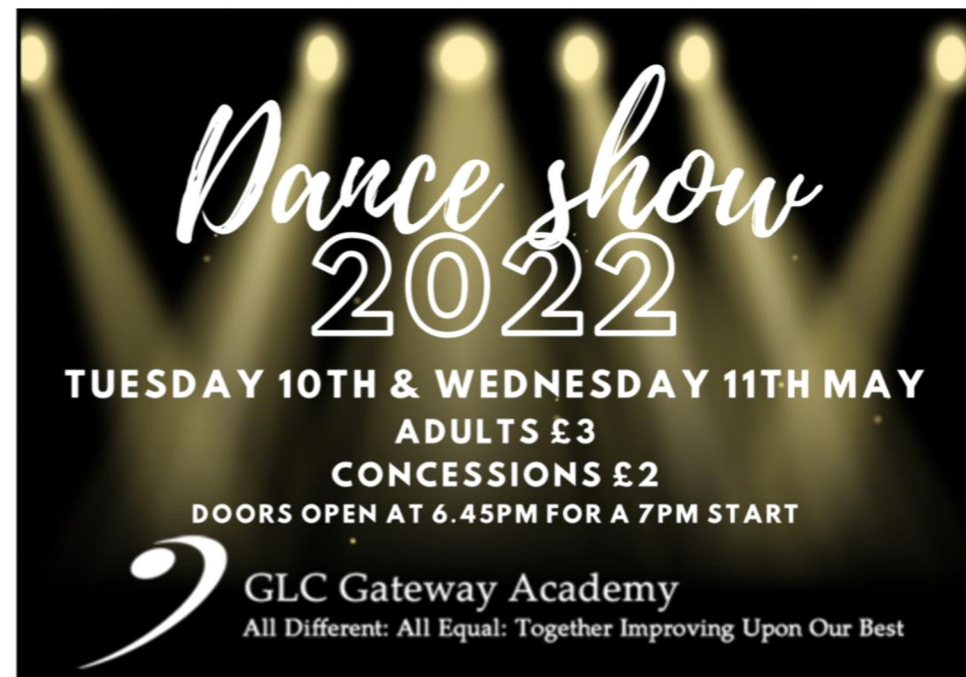


A reminder that the timings of the day are changing from September 2022 and it is our plan to incorporate many more extra-curricular activities after school for our students to get involved in.

DANCE SHOW

Students have been working exceptionally hard this week in lessons and in after school rehearsals in preparation for our annual dance show. This will be taking place on Tuesday 10th and Wednesday 11th May. This is a fantastic opportunity for you to see the excellent work our dancers are creating at The Gateway Academy. If your child is taking part in the dance show, tickets are now on sale via ParentPay and are £3 for an adult ticket and £2 for a child's ticket. On ParentPay, after selecting which date you would like, please identify how many adult and child tickets you require in the 'add notes' box. Tickets will then be distributed by your child's dance teacher.

We can't wait for you to see the passion, hard work and dedication our dance students have been showing!



Dance show 2022
TUESDAY 10TH & WEDNESDAY 11TH MAY
ADULTS £3
CONCESSIONS £2
DOORS OPEN AT 6.45PM FOR A 7PM START
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Parental Calendar

The Parental Calendar for 2021-2022, (<http://www.theglc-gatewayacademy.org.uk/56/announcements/announcement/193/announcement>) as well as other valuable information.

WE WILL#

Our Year 9 team is fortunate enough to be involved in various projects this term.

Our #WeWill students have been working exceptionally hard in their projects with Eve Wright to accentuate what we stand for at The Gateway Academy: All Different, All Equal. We look forward to the end results of this project.



EASTER SCHOOL

Mrs K Kitsiou

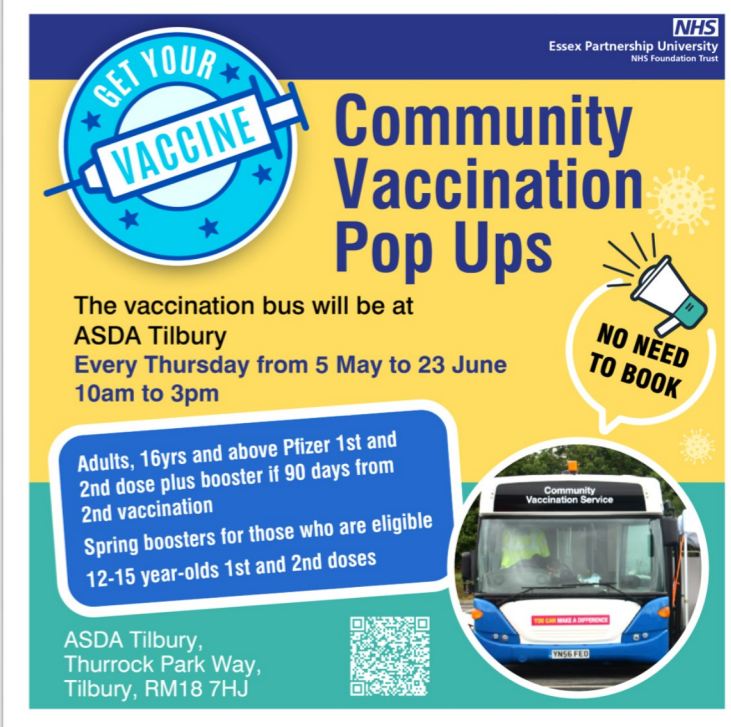
Easter School was a huge success with 51 Year 11 students benefiting from the sessions on offer.

Students took part in various sessions, starting with Mathematics and English and finishing with cooking, sports and even Karate. The 'Only Way is Inflatables' was also one of the activities



the students got to take part in. The finale was a day trip to Stubbers where students experienced a wide range of outdoor activities.

Below: Pictures of Easter School. More on page 2



GET YOUR VACCINE
Community Vaccination Pop Ups
 The vaccination bus will be at ASDA Tilbury Every Thursday from 5 May to 23 June 10am to 3pm
NO NEED TO BOOK
 Adults, 16yrs and above Pfizer 1st and 2nd dose plus booster if 90 days from 2nd vaccination
 Spring boosters for those who are eligible
 12-15 year-olds 1st and 2nd doses
 ASDA Tilbury, Thurrock Park Way, Tilbury, RM18 7HJ

SCHOOL TIMES CHANGE

The timings of school day, with effect from September 2022 are shown here. Please note that we have extended the school day for Year 7, Year 8 and Year 9. There will also be additional learning periods for Year 11 students and a wide range of extra-curricular activities for students to get involved in.

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THE GATEWAY ACADEMY DAY 2022 - 2023		
	YEAR 8 AND YEAR 10	YEAR 7, YEAR 9 AND YEAR 11
08.15	Period 1	Period 1
08.45	Period 2	Period 2
09.45	Period 3	Break 09.45 - 10.10
11.15	Period 4	Period 3
12.15	Period 5	12.15 - 12.40 - Lunch
13.45	Period 6	Period 5
14.45	Year 7 & Year 8 Dismissal	
14.50	Year 9, Year 10 and Year 11 Dismissal	

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OUR VALUES

We are **resilient** and **hard-working**

We are **respectful** and **ambitious**

We show **self-belief** and **gratitude**

Learning is prized.



NEED SUPPORT?



If I need help
 Make sure you have identified a number of staff that you would speak to. This may be your teachers, progress leader or lead coach. Choose someone that you can talk to if you are struggling. We are still here to listen and help.
 If you need help but cannot speak to us, the following WEBSITES can be helpful:
 Childline, keeth, CAMHS Resources, DASH, Green Spaces, Mind, Samaritans
 If you need support from our well-being team you can get a referral from your year group google classroom.
 If you are worried about the safety of yourself or someone else then you should contact the school at cp-gateway@theglc.org.uk

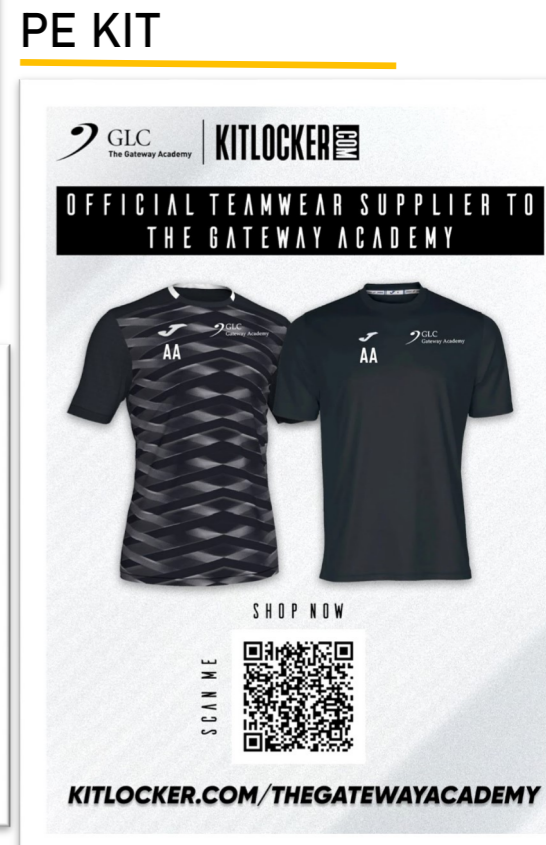
RESPECT PROJECT

Some of our students visited Wales with the **Respect Project** and have done exceptionally well. They climbed the Dragons Back, which was tough but they all completed the task. They also visited Pen Y Fan and we look forward to hearing all the tales from Wales.



GLC Teaching and Development Website

For further information about teaching and development across the GLC, please see www.glcteaching.co.uk



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YEAR GROUP NEWS

YEAR 7 Miss R Mead

Welcome back Year 7! What a fantastic first week we have had. We have seen some brilliant lessons as well as some fantastic opportunities for our year 7s. Students know and are showing the school values in lesson and around the academy.

On Friday 22nd April we were lucky enough to host and watch a fantastic performance of Hamlet performed by The National Theatre. Students were exceptionally behaved, engaged in the performance and they asked some excellent questions to the performers.

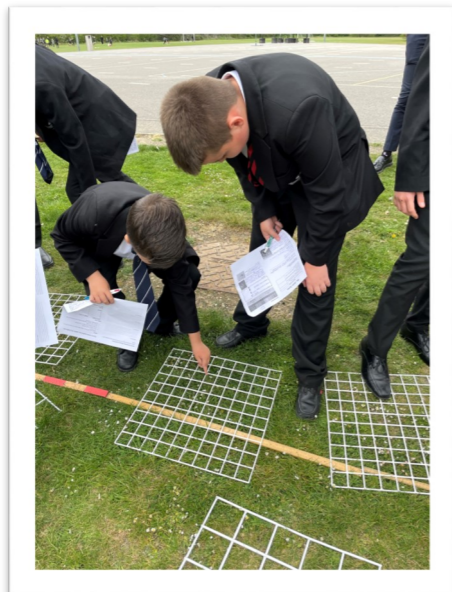
Students in Miss Gazzard's science class have also been busy studying, completing experiments and analysing Ecosystems.

In technology, students have been very busy making phone holders and cooking jam tarts.

And in dance students have been working on how to create their own pieces of choreography.

A reminder to all year 7s to please ensure your laptops are charged in the evenings so these are ready to go for the school day. We only have one full term left in year 7 so we need to continue to push ourselves to work to the best of our abilities, be kind to each other and to show all of the school values.

Keep up the great work Year 7!



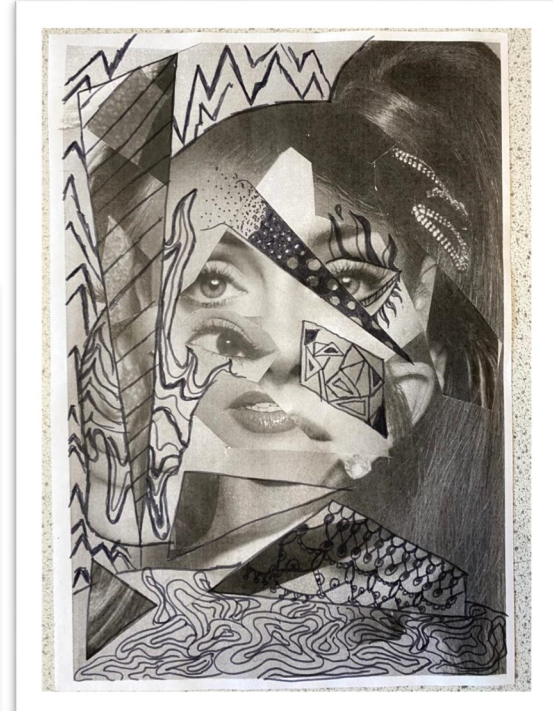
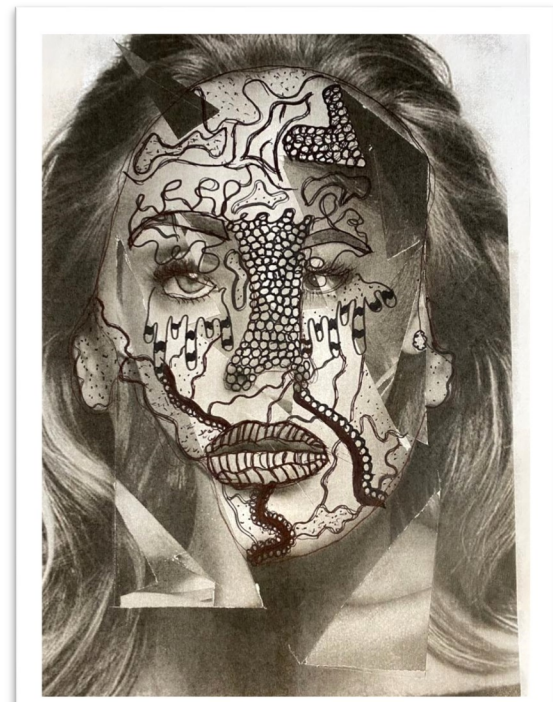
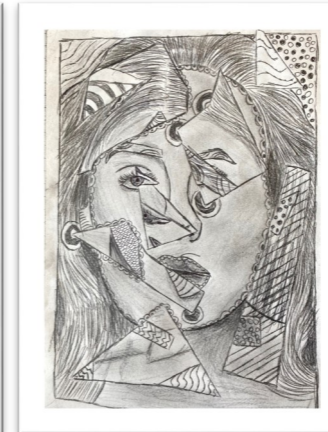
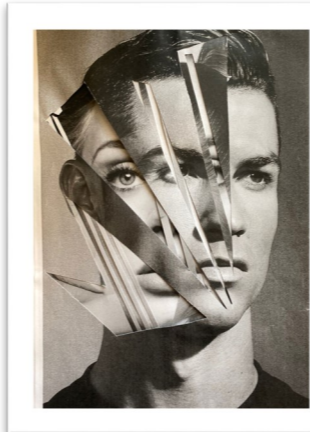
YEAR 8 Ms A Shannon

Welcome back Year 8 and well done for returning to school and settling straight back into your learning.

We have lots of exciting things to look forward to this term, we have the 'Bikeability' scheme starting with Mr Scott after school on Mondays. Some of you have been invited to attend this amazing opportunity so make sure you are there every week.

Tutoring is continuing this term with over 30 students invited each Tuesday with some of you completing your tutoring during the school day. Lots of sports clubs are being offered this half term with a huge focus on Athletics; please have a look at the extra-curricular timetable to find out what clubs you want to attend, not forgetting rounders every Tuesday for the girls to come along and train and prepare to compete in Borough competitions.

The 'Gratitude Project' is what we are going to be focusing on during our tutor time this term and I'm looking forward to seeing as many of our students helping out in the community and doing all they can to raise money for charity.



There has been some excellent work taking place in the Arts department before Easter and I have taken some photos to share with you to see the work some of our amazing students have produced.

Keep up the great work Year 8 and let's enjoy our last term before Summer!!

YEAR 9 Mrs U Steenkamp

Welcome back after your Easter holiday. I am extremely proud of our Year 9s' results and we hope to celebrate the exceptional progress made by certain students by having a Movie Night – a letter will be sent home. Thank you to all parents/carers for attending our Parents Evening on 28 April, it was lovely meeting you in person this year!

YEAR 11 EASTER SCHOOL PHOTOS



YEAR 10 Mr N Concannon

Year 10s attended a performance of Macbeth on Friday 29th April 2022; it was a fantastic opportunity for their learning to come to life - students loved it. Some Year 10s took part in a Jack Petchey mentoring workshop on Friday 29th April 2022 with some excellent work produced on the day.

Congratulations to Riley Whale who has signed a contract with West Ham United under 16s and has also been nominated as captain for the forthcoming season; Riley is a terrific young lady and a fantastically talented footballer.

There have been some excellent performances in athletics this week; a particular mention to Daniel Ovcinikov for outstanding performance in long distance running

Well done to the most recent winners of student of the week, Tegan Heath and Daniel Coles.

YEAR 11 Mrs A Dixon

Year 11! You are in your final weeks. Now is the time to really put the work in! Some key dates below:

Year 11 shirt signing - Thursday 23rd June

Graduation Ceremony - Friday 24th June 14.00 – 15.00 drinks and nibbles, photos 15.00 – 15.30.

Prom – Monday 27th June. Ye Olde Plough House.

Good luck to all the students sitting their GCSE speaking exams on Monday 9th, Tuesday 10th and Wednesday 11th May.

Exams for all years 11 students begin 16th May, any support you need please come and see any member of the year 11 team.

Below: Trip to Stubbers during Easter School



VACANCIES

Working with us across the GLC

GLC Gateway Academy: Lead Practitioner in Maths

Type of Position: Lead Practitioner in Maths

Subject: Mathematics

Start Date: September 2022

Closing Date: Midday on 17th May 2022

GLC Gateway Academy: Lead Practitioner in Science

Type of Position: Lead Practitioner in Science

Subject: Science

Start Date: September 2022

Closing Date: Midday on the 17th May 2022

GLC Gateway Academy: Teacher of Drama

Type of Position: Classroom Teacher

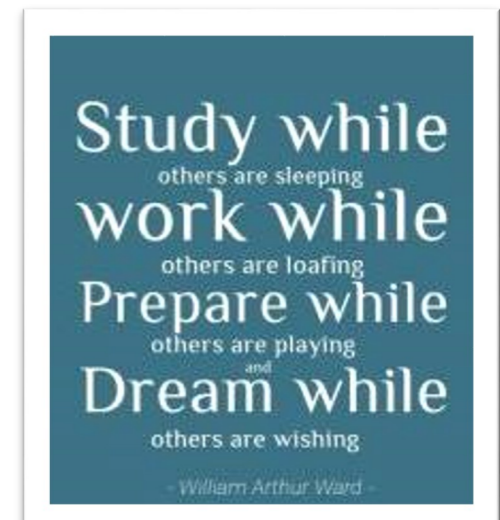
Subject: Drama

Start Date: September 2022

Closing Date: Midday on the 17th May 2022

Further information can be found :

<http://www.theglc.org.uk/189/joining-our-team>



Gratitude is at the heart of everything!

PE NEWS

Riley Whale has had her contract extended at West Ham and has been made captain for next season. A huge achievement, well done Riley!

Year 8 boys' football team made the semi-finals of the District Cup only to lose to unbeaten Harris Riverside. The boys pushed them really well, particularly in the first half where we could have gone in ahead at half time.

Year 7-9 Girls' Football has made great strides this school year with a fantastic turnout to clubs after school with Mr K.

U16 boys' basketball have qualified for the District Final which will be played later this term! Well done boys, one game to go!

Abou Diakite has had two fantastic rugby trials at SEEVIC College where he hopes to study after he leaves this year and go on to play for their Rugby Academy in the National League.



BREAKFAST CLUB (7.30-8.10am)

DON'T FORGET: At The Gateway Academy, we offer FREE breakfast for all our children. This includes a variety of cereals and toast. Juice every Tuesday and Thursday and even hot chocolate on a Monday, Wednesday and Friday in the winter months.

Feel free to encourage your child to eat breakfast and kick start the day with a nutritious and positive meal.

STUDENT CELEBRATION

On Sunday 24 April Milly Askew and her horse, Stella (show name Othilie Jolie) entered the Chelmsford and District Riding Club showing competition.

This was their first time competing in showing as a team and they came away with a 2nd in ridden novice junior and a 1st in ridden plaited.

The judge also gave them some positive comments saying 'they are a cracking team in the making and it was a pleasure to judge them'. Well done Milly and Stella!



REWARDS

Year 9 students enjoyed their McDonald's rewards for displaying our values such as working relentlessly to achieve progress and spreading the magic of gratitude.



STUDENT LEADERSHIP

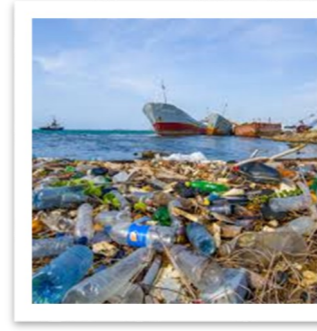
By Alex Nita-Morariu.

As an Academy we should be looking after our community and environment.

Recently it has been noticed that during break times and lunch times rubbish is being left on tables and on the floor and we need to be wary of the impact this is going to have on our school and the environment we live in.

By putting rubbish in the bin, the process of recycling can take place which is a really important aspect for the environment as it reduces the need for extracting, (mining, quarrying and logging) refining and processing raw materials all of which create substantial air and water pollution. As recycling saves energy, it also reduces greenhouse gas emissions, which helps to tackle climate change which is a serious issue and matter in the 21st century and beyond.

500 million tonnes of plastic are produced annually worldwide and each year around 8 million tons of plastic ends up in our seas and oceans and as a consequence, it is believed that by the year 2050 the oceans could contain more plastics than fish. Plastics in all forms, straws, bottles, packaging and shopping bags, can all be recycled. It is believed that as much as 90% of the rubbish that is floating on the ocean surface can affect marine life and therefore end up in the food that we eat.



We need to remember that it is all our responsibility to make sure that we look after our planet, not just for your family of today but for your family of the future generations too.

Here are some ideas we can all try to reduce plastic pollution:

- Use reusable water bottles
- Avoid plastic carrier bags
- Use a bag for life
- Do not litter
- Try choosing paper over plastic
- Try glass containers for food storage
- Recycling

Students, over the next half term look out for our recycling initiatives that are going to be put in place - you could be in for a chance to earn some rewards.

PLEASE SHARE

Please feel free to share any extra-curricular achievements with the Head of Year in order for us to celebrate our students.

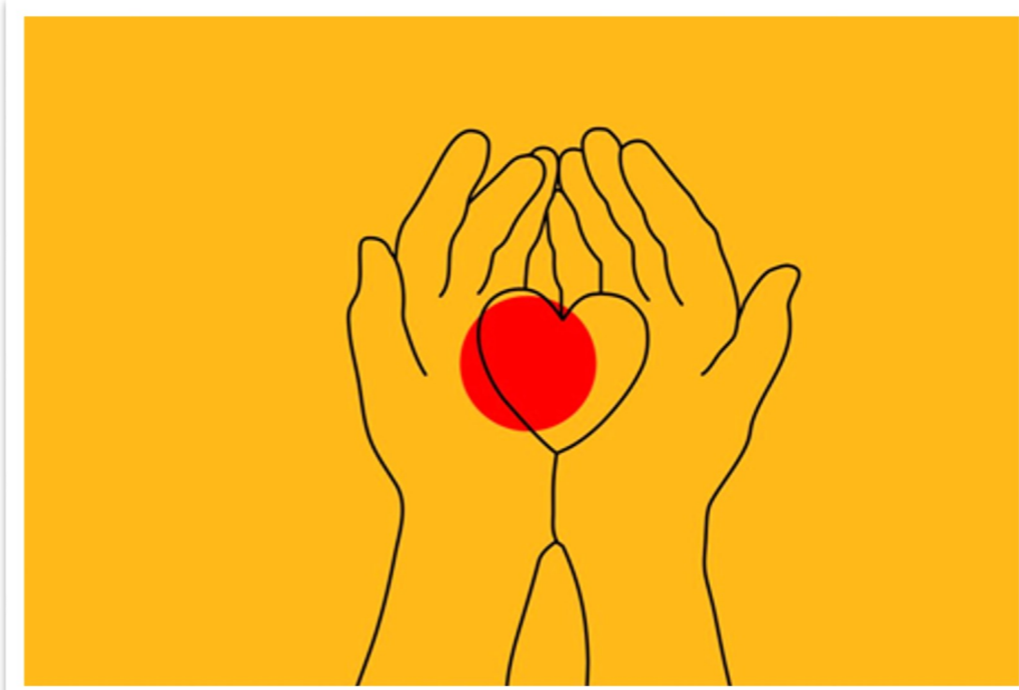
This half term we will be focusing on Oracy within classrooms and we encourage students to become more confident in articulating their learning within lessons. We will celebrate excellent examples with parents at the end of this half term.



GRATITUDE IS FOR EVERYONE

As an Academy we have started our **Gratitude projects** in each tutor group and we are now in the planning stages of this project which will last until the end of year. Leading on the project is Mrs Steenkamp. 'Gratitude is one of our school's values and as a Year 9 team, we want to embed it and become the beacon year group to pass the torch to other year groups' - Please feel free to get involved in this project by communicating with your child or contacting the school. For more on the positive effects of showing gratitude and my thoughts around it, please visit this blog:

<https://www.glcteaching.co.uk/post/gratitude-is-the-best-attitude>



Let's have a wonderful

Summer Term