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Celebrating Black History Month

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WELCOME

A message from the Headteacher Mrs & Mrs & McLaughlin

• ur Academy has just concluded a remarkably successful half term, and I am thrilled to see our achievements mirrored in the GCSE performance tables 2023. The exceptional work put in by our students, staff, parents, and the broader community has positioned us among the top-performing schools in the Borough.

This academic year has already seen us accomplish remarkable feats, with several standout moments. I'm particularly impressed by the commitment and resilience displayed by our Year 11 students during their PPE examinations. Our celebrations for Black History Month were a memorable highlight, as were the various engaging extracurricular activities taking place throughout our Academy. One of our proudest achievements is the consistently high attendance of our students, well above the national average. The More Able Masterclasses have been a valuable addition, fostering excellence in our student body

As we approach December, it is heart-warming to witness a multitude of students preparing for our High School Musical. Similarly, the enthusiastic participation in our sports programmes

and the evident joy students derive from their learning are sources of immense pride.

A special acknowledgment is due to our student leadership team, whose significant contributions are shaping the academy's life and playing a pivotal role in our continuous pursuit of excellence. Together, we are constantly striving to improve and build upon our best.

We hope everyone has a lovely half term break and we look forward to continuing on with the wonderful things happening here at The Gateway Academy next half term, including various trips and our assessments for Year 7 to Year 10 students.

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Headteacher - Mrs G McLaughlin



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IMMERSIVE FAMILY LEARNING EVENT

On Tuesday 7th November, we will be hosting families from all year groups at a family learning event. We are expecting approximately 300 people to attend this event. The evening will commence in the Revision Marketplace Café, where families can visit various market stalls to gain insights into how each tool can be used to support revision. Members of the student leadership team will be on hand to demonstrate different revision strategies. Families will have the opportunity to obtain free resources, including packs of flashcards and pre-filled pencil cases. They can even collect a free reading book from our suggested student reading book list.

Following this, families will attend English, Maths, and Science sessions where they will participate in tasks and discussions about how students are guided with revision in the classroom and how these strategies can be extended at home.



This event is just another example of how we are strengthening our relationship with our families and ensuring that we prioritise the parent-student-school triangle.



MASTERCLASS – MEDICINE

Our very own Mr Prince led a Masterclass on the topic of "How are new medicines developed?" Students were given the opportunity to attend and found this interactive and immersive talk highly enjoyable. The next Masterclass will be delivered by Mr Mitchell on 16th November exploring the link between the monarchy and literature during Shakespeare's time.

YEAR 7 NEWS

Ms L Bruce

What a wonderful first half-term we have had for the majority of our students. Most students have transitioned well into secondary school life and are thriving here. I would like to thank all the parents who have been and continue to support their children with the new way of life here at the





Academy. We are fully aware that it can be a significant change and it won't happen overnight for all students, but we will get there.

The students have been working very hard in their lessons, embracing the new challenges in Food Technology classes, tackling the new PE curriculum that differs from Primary PE, and handling their homework in Maths. On the whole, we have seen some amazing positivity, and I look forward to seeing this continue in the lead-up to Christmas.

All students will have assessments starting on 13th November. They have all been shown their assessment timetables and have spent some time exploring revision strategies. This will continue when we return. Please support your child and encourage them to start their revision early.

Wishing you all a relaxing half-term break, and we look forward to welcoming you all back in two weeks.



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	Period 5	7XHR	Computer Science
	Period 6	7XHC	History
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YEAR 10 NEWS

Ms A Shannon

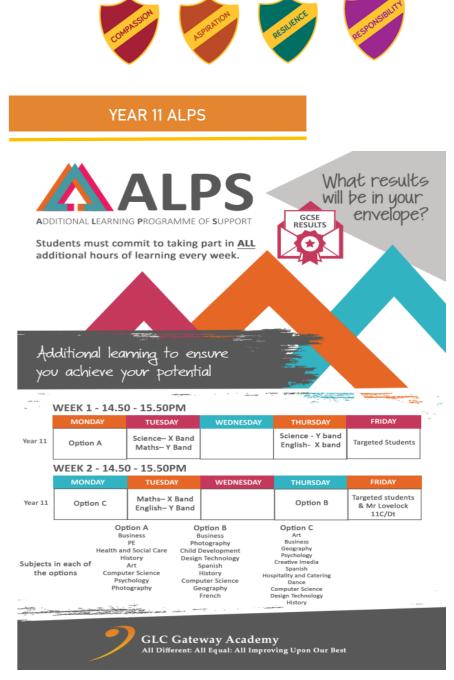
We've made it to the end of our first half-term in Year 10! It has been a busy half-term at the academy for Year 10. As you may have noticed in previous Gateway Times issues, there has been a lot happening academically, as well as during break times, lunchtimes, and after school for our students.

Students have participated in World Mental Health Day, during which they decorated the canteen with green decorations, enjoyed special green treats during break time, and received a wealth of information related to mental health and well-being. We've also had student performances in the canteen, along with numerous clubs, such as basketball, table tennis, chess, and the film club.

Year 10 has had the privilege of being involved in assemblies that have covered topics like Black History Month, online safety, mental health, and well-being. They have also taken part in a tutor group competition that runs each week. The tutor group with the highest achievement points, lowest behaviour points, and best attendance all contribute to a reward for the students, recognising their hard work and efforts.

Assessment fortnight is fast approaching for Year 10 (13th November). Students have spent time in their lessons covering the topics they will be tested on and completing formal assessments. We've provided students with a wealth of information on where to find revision resources, how to revise effectively, and how to make the most of their time to maximise their chances of success in their assessments. Please support your children in their revision efforts and help them achieve the highest grades possible. Students also have access to knowledge organizers for each of their subjects to check the topics they need to revise.

We would like to wish the Year 10 students a 'Happy Half Term' from the entire Year 10 team, and let's return in November ready and prepared for our upcoming assessments.



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Year 8 has been fantastic. The commitment all students have shown to improving upon their best is humbling, and it is an honour to be their Progress Leader. We have seen a sharp increase in positive attitudes to learning, resulting in many students exceeding their target grades and taking steps to embed this in their learning journey with us at the Gateway Academy. The use of academic journals has really showcased students who go the extra mile in their homework and work on their own initiative when researching new topics and planning their homework schedules. Attendance has steadily increased week by week and continues to surpass the national average, remaining the second highest among the Gateway Academy year groups. This truly showcases their enjoyment of school and their resilience in getting up and getting in, rain or shine. A massive thank you to all parents and carers for supporting their children in this way.

Reward points totals are now the highest among any year group and saw each tutor group compete to finish the term as winners. We had winners in the following categories:

- Attendance Winners - 8C, Miss Bruce

- Rewards points - 8F, Miss Curran

- Best classroom engagement - 8E

Well done to all. Next half-term is a fresh start for us all. Come back refreshed, recharged, and raring to go. You have already accomplished a lot this year, but there will be much more to come.











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ART NEWS

Arts & Crafts Club's Halloween competition!

The art club has been producing some fantastic art work this term, from plaster painting and bracelet making to autumn decorations. It is an amazing space for students to get together and create fantastic art work to take home and show their family and friends. With Halloween season approaching the art team decided to hold a Halloween competition by producing a poster with all the scary, gruesome and even cute elements of Halloween. With over 25 entries handed in, it was really hard to chose the top three posters. After lots of deliberating the 1st 2nd and 3rd places were announced in the last art club before the end of the half term and they were...

- 1. Alessia F Yr8
- 2. Sofia P Yr7
- 3. Aaliya A Yr7



YEAR 11 NEWS

Ms A Dixon

PARENTAL CALENDAR

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	Tuesday 24 - Friday 27 October 2023 Holiday School Years 7, 8 and 9 only				
	Mon	06-Nov	0815	All Years Start (Yrs 7-11)	
NOV	Tues	07-Nov	1630-1800	Family Learning Event	
	Fri	10-Nov	1055	GLC Remembrance Silence - Courtyard	
	Mon	Mon 13-Nov		Years 7 - 9 Assessments (for two weeks 13 November - 24 November) Year 10 PPEs (for two weeks 13 November - 24 November)	
	Thur	23-Nov	1600-1900	Year 11 Parents' Evening and Next Steps (1)	

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GLC AWARDS

We hosted the GLC annual awards ceremony . It was a heart-warming gathering to celebrate the numerous remarkable accomplishments of our young people throughout the academic year. While there is much to celebrate in all our academies, we chose to focus on 12 key categories to acknowledge the excellence displayed by these exceptional young individuals. .





Year 11s have ended the half-term on a high note. They have successfully completed two weeks of PPEs and conducted themselves in a professional manner throughout. Their exceptional work ethic and determination have been evident throughout the entire half-term, and we are incredibly proud of them. The attendance for the year group has been fantastic and continues to improve each week.

When we return, we have the Year 11 results session where they will receive their results from the most recent PPEs. Following this, we have the "Next Steps" evening on Thursday, 23rd November. Several local colleges and sixth forms will be present at the academy for students and parents/carers to discuss courses and more. This event is crucial for all students to attend, so please make a note of this date.

YEAR 9 NEWS

Ms B Mead

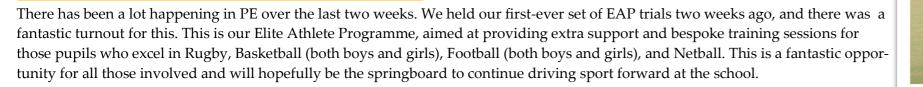
Well done to all for completing your first half term of Year 9. It has been wonderful to see how well you have all settled into the new school year.

In assembly this week, we were able to celebrate some brilliant achievements by some of our tutor groups. 9B was rewarded for earning the most positive points over the last half term, and 9A was rewarded for having the highest attendance percentage. We also had three fantastic Year 9 students who presented in assemblies this week: Mia B, Augustine A, and Lily-Sue H. They planned, prepared, and delivered an engaging presentation and activities based around Black History Month. It was wonderful to see them speak so confidently in front of the whole year group. Fantastic work, well done!

This week, throughout tutor time, we have been discussing and preparing for our first round of assessments which are fast approaching. Year 9 assessment fortnight will begin on Monday 13th November. The full assessment timetable has been posted on the Year 9 Google Classroom page. Please ensure you are preparing and revising for each of your assessments so you are ready to go. Remember to use your knowledge organizer and the revision techniques discussed in tutor time this week to support your revision. If you need any help or support, please speak to your class teachers or Miss Mead / Mrs Smith in the Year 9 office.

I hope you all have a lovely half-term break, and I look forward to welcoming some of you to October school next week! Keep up the great work, Year 9!

PE NEWS



Alongside this, there have been numerous fixtures taking place; pupils have been given the opportunity to compete in events they have never done before, and it has been a pleasure to see them thrive in these diverse environments. Year 10/11 competed in the prestigious Lee Valley indoor competition, facing last year's national athletics champions and multiple schools that reached the national final. Again, exposure to the very best of school sport is vital to ensure that our pupils receive the same opportunities as others, regardless of school or background.

Our year 8 boys' rugby team has competed in the first round of the Essex Festival and has qualified for the finals day, taking place on Tuesday, 7th November at The Brentwood School. This is an amazing achievement, considering they have only really played rugby this year. To add to the good news in rugby, our year 7 boys played their first-ever fixture against Barking Abbey School, securing a great win but, most importantly, developing a love for the sport. There is real potential there, and it will be fantastic to see how they develop over the years.

Our netballers have been competing in county and national competitions and have represented the academy impeccably, showing real potential as they move forward. Finally, Harry T competed in the Essex Golf championships, playing against the very best schoolboy golfers at Langdon Hills Golf Club. This was an amazing opportunity and a truly valued experience for him.

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Fridays

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15th December

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- Trousers
- Socks
- Pinafore dresses

Clean, good condition school uniform donations accepted during our events only unless otherwise stated on our page. Follow us on facebook: "The 180 Project"

An event run by The 180 Project, part of Community Church Registered charity no. 1062301. Tel: 01375 484 101



What is Black History Month?

Black History Month is a time for reflection and positive changes for the future. During the event, people can celebrate the outstanding contributions that Black people have made to society across the globe, both today and historically.

What is the theme for this year?

Each year, every President that has been in office in the United States of America has validated a theme for the event. The theme that will be happening this year in October is 'Black Health and Wellness.' This will put a spotlight on Black medical professionals throughout history, and through the diaspora of the African people.

This theme will also highlight the importance of the people who have set up medical organisations, that counteract the ripple effect of discrimination felt at mainstream medical facilities and institutions. Focussing on the progress made over the years can help people to think about the future, and what more can be done to stop inequalities that some Black people are currently facing. The theme can also help people to think about their current mental health and wellbeing, and know where to seek support if they need it. Black History Month can also give opportunities to discuss Black famous inspirational people throughout history, that future generations can look up to.

SAFEGUARDING OUR CHILDREN

At The Gateway Academy our Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL) is Mrs Bryant, and our Safeguarding Officers are Mrs Newton and Miss Jeffery. Students can contact any of our Safeguarding Team during the school day where they have concerns or need support:



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Mrs Kerry Newton -

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PARENTAL CALENDAR

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As well as other valuable information, announcements, letters home and uniform can be found on The Gateway Academy website http://www.theglc-

gatewayacademy.org.uk/ Please check this regularly for any updates.

Walk Online Roadshow for Parents, Carers and Practitioners Wednesday 22nd November 2023 - 20:00 till 21:30

Thurrock LSCP have offered the Walk Online Roadshow for all Years 5s. We are pleased to be able to offer a session for parents, carers and practitioners. This session explores show parents, carers and practitioners can support their children to navigate the online world. Visit the website to access the link. Please note that this session is for over 18s only.

THURROCK LOCAL SAFEGUARDING PARTNERSHIP



Miss Laura Jeffery-

laura.jeffery@theglc.org.uk



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Thursday 14th September 2023 Thursday 7th December 2023

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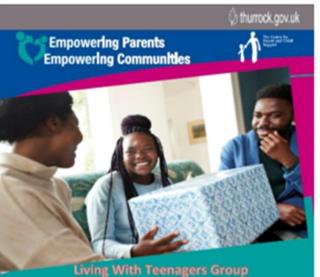
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Gateway Academy Teacher Recruitment Fair

 Date:
 Tuesday 14 November 2023

 Time:
 5pm – 7pm

 Location:
 Gateway Academy, Marshfoot Road, Tilbury, Essex, RM16 4LU

Teach at The Gateway Academy Secondary School for these compelling reasons:

Exceptional Staff Dedication: At The Gateway Academy, staff attendance consistently exceeds 97%. This high level of commitment and dedication from our staff ensures a stable and supportive work environment.

Strong Staff Retention: With staff retention rates consistently above 80%, The Gateway Academy is a place where teachers find job satisfaction and opportunities for growth.

Outstanding GCSE Results: The Gateway Academy 2022-2023 GCSE results were significantly higher than the national average. Our students' success reflects the dedication and expertise of our teaching staff.

Professional Development Opportunities: We prioritise the growth and development of our staff. The Gateway Academy offers numerous professional development opportunities, workshops, and training programs to help teachers excel in their careers.

Innovative Teaching Methods: Our academy encourages innovative teaching methods and embraces modern pedagogical approaches. This enables teachers to engage students in creative and effective ways, ensuring a dynamic and enriching learning experience.

Inclusive and Diverse Community: The Gateway Academy is proud of its inclusive and diverse student body. Teaching here offers the opportunity to work with students from various backgrounds, promoting cultural awareness and understanding. We are 'all different: all equal, together improving upon our best'.

Join our dedicated team of staff at The Gateway Academy Secondary School and become a part of a highly committed professional team who work together to shape the lives of the young people within our care.

To book an appointment email us at $\underline{hr { { \ensuremath{\mbox{e}theglc.org.uk}}}$ – walk ins are welcome.



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GLC RECEPTION OPEN DAYS

GATEWAY PRIMARY FREE SCHOOL



WEDNESDAY 29 NOVEMBER 2023 9:30AM & I:30PM

HERRINGHAM PRIMARY ACADEMY





LANSDOWNE PRIMARY ACADEMY

THURSDAY 30 NOVEMBER 2023 9:30AM & I:30PM

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GLC Primary Recruitment Fair

Date:Thursday 30 November 2023Time:4:30pm - 6:00pmLocation:Herringham Primary Academy

St Mary's Road, Chadwell St Mary, Essex, RM16 4JX

We are looking for passionate and enthusiastic staff who are ready to make a positive difference to our young people and to support our mission of developing active and thriving citizens within a diverse, truly fair and equal community. #jointheglctrust

Drop in to The Gateway Learning Community Recruitment Fair:

Register your attendance via our Google form: https://forms.gle/gjeQ1DBfpNuw4Dfm6

Walk-ins are welcome Scan below to visit our Vacancies page:



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