



WELCOME

A message from the Headteacher

Mrs G McLaughlin

Our 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.

Thank you for your unwavering support.

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

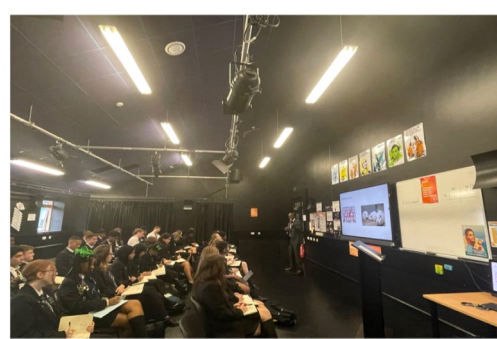
Ms L Bruce

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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Year 7 Assessment Timetable			
Monday 13 th November 2023 - Friday 24 th November 2023			
The timetable below shows when each assessment will be completed, please highlight your exam using your class code			
Date	Period	Class	Subject
Monday 13 th November	Period 2	All 7Y	Design & Technology
	Period 2	7XHL	History
	Period 3	7YHR	History
	Period 3	All 7X	Maths Paper 1
	Period 4	7YHC	Geography
	Period 5	7XHA	History
Tuesday 14 th November	Period 5	7XHR	Computer Science
	Period 6	7XHC	History
	Period 2	7YHA	Geography
	Period 2	7YHC	History
	Period 2	7YHL	Spanish Listening
	Period 3	All 7Y & 7X	English
Wednesday 15 th November	Period 5	7YHR	Geography
	Period 5	7XHA	Spanish Listening
	Period 6	7XHC	Spanish Listening
	Period 2	7YHL	Geography
	Period 2	7YHC & 7YHR	Spanish Listening
	Period 4	All 7X	Science
Thursday 16 th November	Period 5	All 7Y	PE
	Period 6	7YHL	History
	Period 6	7XHC & 7XHR	Geography
	Period 6	7YHA & 7XHL	Spanish Listening
	Period 2	7YHR	History
	Period 3	All 7Y	Maths Paper 1
Friday 17 th November	Period 4	7YHC	Religious Studies
	Period 6	7XHA & 7XHL	Religious Studies
	Period 4	7YHA	History
	Period 5	7YHL	Geography
	Period 5	7XHR	Spanish Listening
	Period 2	All 7X	Design & Technology
Monday 20 th November	Period 3	All 7Y	Science
	Period 3	7XHC	Computer Science
	Period 4	7XHA & 7XHL	Computer Science
	Period 5	7YHL	Religious Studies
	Period 2	7XHL	Spanish Writing
	Period 3	7YHL	Computer Science
Tuesday 21 st November	Period 3	All 7X	Maths Paper 2
	Period 4	7XHA	Geography
	Period 6	7YHC	Computer Science
	Period 6	7YHR	Spanish Writing
	Period 6	7YHA	Religious Studies
	Period 2	All 7X	PE
Wednesday 22 nd November	Period 3	7XHC	Spanish Writing
	Period 4	All 7Y	Maths Paper 2
	Period 6	7YHA & 7YHL	Spanish Writing
	Period 6	7XHR	Religious Studies
	Period 2	7YHA	Computer Science
	Period 2	7YHR	Religious Studies
Thursday 23 rd November	Period 5	7XHR	Spanish Writing
	Period 5	7XHC	Religious Studies
	Period 6	7XHA	Spanish Writing
	Period 2	7YHR	Computer Science
	Period 2	7YHC	Spanish Writing
	Period 2	7YHL	Spanish Writing



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YEAR 10 NEWS

Ms A Shannon

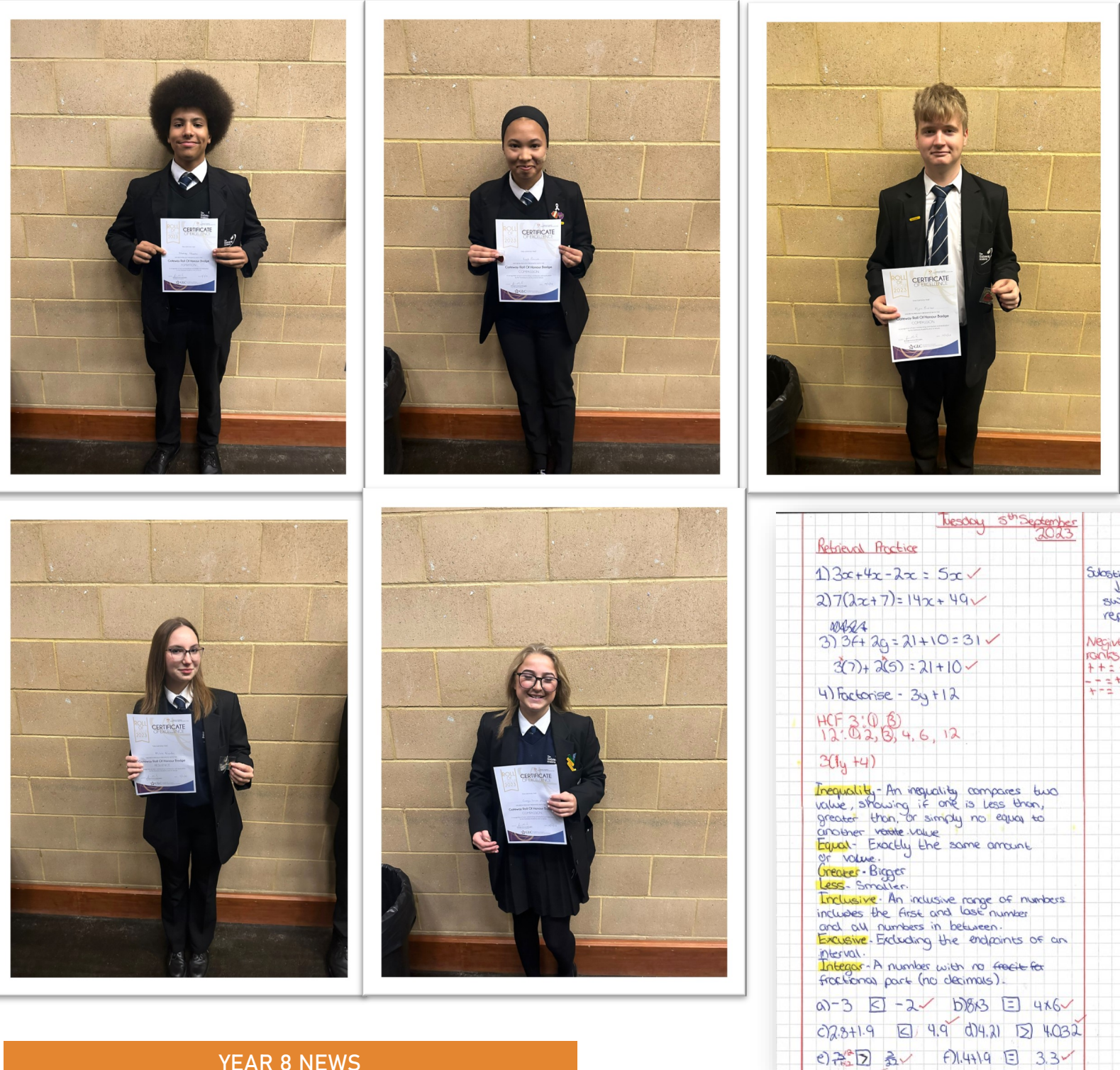
We've made it to the end of our first half-term in Year 10! It has been a busy half-term at the academy for Year 10. As you may have noticed in previous Gateway Times issues, there has been a lot happening academically, as well as during break times, lunchtimes, and after school for our students.

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.



YEAR 8 NEWS

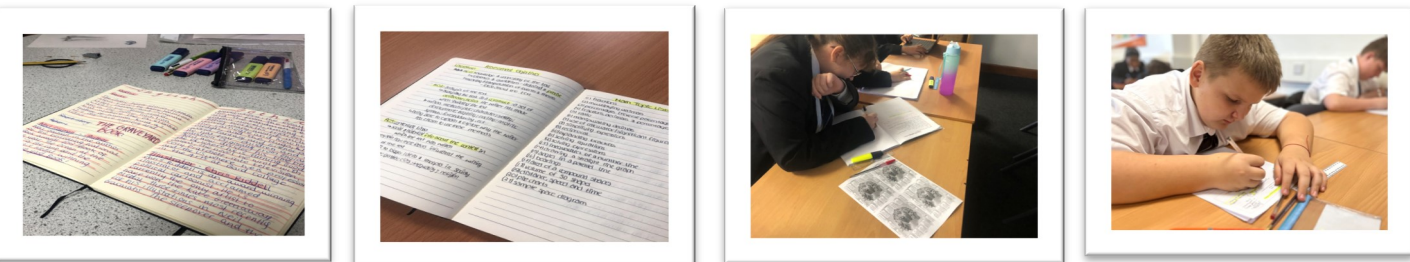
Mr M Scott

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.



COMPASSION

ASPIRATION

RESILIENCE

RESPONSIBILITY

YEAR 11 ALPS

What results will be in your envelope?

GCSE RESULTS

Students must commit to taking part in ALL additional hours of learning every week.

Additional learning to ensure you achieve your potential

WEEK 1 - 14.50 - 15.50PM				
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Option A	Science- X Band Maths- Y Band		Science - Y band English- X Band	Targeted Students

WEEK 2 - 14.50 - 15.50PM				
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Option C	Maths- X Band English- Y Band		Option B	Targeted students & Mr Lovelock 11C/Dt

Subjects in each of the options

Option A
Business
PE
Health and Social Care
History
Art
Computer Science
Psychology
Photography

Option B
Business
Photography
Child Development
Design Technology
Spanish
History
Computer Science
Geography
French

Option C
Art
Business
Geography
Psychology
Creative Media
Spanish
Hospitality and Catering
Dance
Computer Science
Design Technology
History

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STANDARDS OF WORK AT THE GATEWAY

Below, we have shared examples of the high-level work produced at Gateway. In this issue, we are showcasing work from mathematics. It's simply exceptional.

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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

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

There has been a lot happening in PE over the last two weeks. We held our first-ever set of EAP trials two weeks ago, and there was a fantastic turnout for this. This is our Elite Athlete Programme, aimed at providing extra support and bespoke training sessions for those pupils who excel in Rugby, Basketball (both boys and girls), Football (both boys and girls), and Netball. This is a fantastic opportunity for all those involved and will hopefully be the springboard to continue driving sport forward at the school.

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.

PARENTAL CALENDAR

** MONDAY 23 OCTOBER - FRIDAY 03 NOVEMBER 2023 - HALF TERM HOLIDAYS **				
Tuesday 24 - Friday 27 October 2023 Holiday School <u>Years 7, 8 and 9 only</u>				
NOV	Mon	06-Nov	0815	All Years Start (Yrs 7-11)
	Tues	07-Nov	1630-1800	Family Learning Event
	Fri	10-Nov	1055	GLC Remembrance Silence - Courtyard
	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. .



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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.

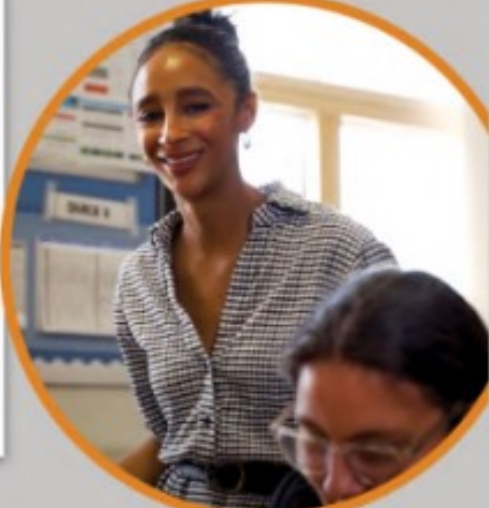
Professional Development Opportunities: We prioritise the growth and development of our staff. The Gateway Academy offers numerous professional development opportunities, workshops, and training programs to help teachers excel in their careers.

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 hr@theglc.org.uk – walk ins are welcome.





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Christmas

IN THE CRUISE TERMINAL & CRAFT FAIR

SUNDAY 19TH NOVEMBER 2023 | 11 AM – 4PM

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COFFEE, TEA, SHERRY & MINCE PIES

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GLC RECEPTION OPEN DAYS

GATEWAY PRIMARY FREE SCHOOL

WEDNESDAY 29 NOVEMBER 2023
9:30AM & 1:30PM



HERRINGHAM PRIMARY ACADEMY

WEDNESDAY 29 NOVEMBER 2023
9:30AM & 1:30PM



LANSDOWNE PRIMARY ACADEMY

THURSDAY 30 NOVEMBER 2023
9:30AM & 1:30PM



TILBURY PIONEER ACADEMY

THURSDAY 30 NOVEMBER 2023
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GLC Primary Recruitment Fair

Date: Thursday 30 November 2023
Time: 4:30pm - 6:00pm
Location: 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
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