

It's no walk in Hyde Park for adventurous Outward Bounders

Hi, my name is Ayah and I am a Year 7 student at WA. Last weekend I was lucky enough to be taken on a journey that was somewhat out of the ordinary! ☺

About thirty of us were fortunate enough to go on an outward bound trip to the Lake District. There were tears, tantrums and joyous moments that will stay with us for many years to come. As a group we had to work together on lots of outdoor challenges and we were pushed and encouraged to face difficult obstacles like climbing outrageously big mountains. For your average 11 year old, this was not funny! I am used to escalators and lifts so you can imagine the look on our faces when we heard the news that we were to be mountaineers for the day... Gone was the hustle and bustle of busy London and hello to the green, wet and slightly weird smells of the country side... let me tell you, there were sheep everywhere.



The trip lasted for 3 days and 2 nights (and a long, long, long, long, long, long, coach journey in between ☺).

It was an action packed weekend full of exciting and

new things for your average city kid! We thought we were going to "Hyde Park" but oh no, this was certainly not the case. However, it was a great opportunity for all of us to be somewhere different to what we considered to be our normal surroundings.

In conclusion, this was a great experience and I can't wait to go on the next big adventure at WA!

By Ayah Benkacem,
Year 7



And a big thanks to WA sponsors, the Dangoor family, who generously funded this opportunity!

Internship student develops link with community nursery

For the past three weeks I have been doing work experience at Warwick Community Nursery. I have had a phenomenal time with the children aged 3 to 5. I was given time to get used to them again because I had previously been there with a programme called Teens and Toddlers. When I went back for the second time I felt very happy; it was the perfect place to do my internship.

The best part of my work experience is playing with the little children and getting to know them again. The toddlers are really sweet to work with. On one of my days recently I played tennis, badminton and football with the toddlers and then we had story time. The nursery always gives them snacks and they get a yummy lunch. The best part of that day was watching them dance to Heads, Shoulders, Knees and Toes.

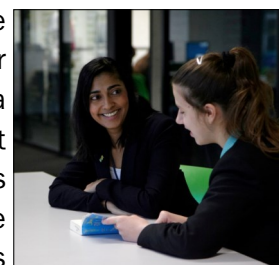
Working with Teens and Toddlers and now going back there for work experience is really great because it has given me the chance to put aside all my worries and gain more confidence. I love working at Warwick Community Nursery.

By Melissa Sartori, Year 10

Message from the Principal, Ms Bora

This week, the focus of the newsletter is on extra-curricular activities. We have published a programme in this edition but please remember that parents are encouraged to contact the Academy with other suggestions

too. Every week, I remind parents of the importance of students **reading, revising and practising questions every night**. If a child says "I have no homework", please consult your Curriculum Booklet to see what they should be studying. Please also note that we offer a homework club to students from 3.40 - 4.40 pm daily to help students study independently.



Sixth formers support super slick Silver Sunday Insight into video games industry at Euro Gamer

Silver Sunday is the annual Sunday film event organised by Open Age and supported by WA staff and students.

This year the film was *The Blue Lamp*, a locally filmed black and white thriller from 1950. We had four students volunteer their time to help nearly 60 retirees feel welcome. Matinur, Julio, Mohammed and Leutrim volunteered nearly 5 hours of their time to welcome, guide and talk with the retirees while they waited for the film and then after while they discussed the film. They were courteous, supportive and above all very welcoming and showed WA in its best light as perfect place for the local community to come and relax. The retirees enjoyed drinks and snacks all served by WA students with humour and to the exact instructions of local retirees

A special mention should go to Matinur and Julio who stayed well after the retirees left to reorganise tables and make sure everything was tidy. I've never been prouder to be a member of the WA community.



By Mr Ashraf, Senior Leader Humanities

Top performances at Westminster Cross Country Competition

On Wednesday 8th October, fifteen of our students competed against twelve other secondary schools in the Westminster Cross Country Competition held at Regents Park. All of our students ran very well, with our KS3 boys team finishing in 2nd place, and KS3 girls team finishing in 5th place. A special mention must go to Kirubel Alayu and Edward Sesay who finished 4th and 6th respectively in the KS3 boys event, and Awa Ndiaye who finished 4th in the KS3 girls event. The day was great success overall; well done to



all of those students who gave it a go! The PE department are very proud of you all.

By Mr Trampnau, Teacher of PE, Year 10 Coordinator



I really enjoyed the ICT trip to Euro Gamer; it allowed me to learn more about the video games industry, how video games are made and the different genres of games. I know

this will also help me with my current BTEC ICT unit which is named 'developing computer games' - I have been really looking forward to learning about this as I will be making my own game.

By Mohammed Ali Hayle, Year 13



Young Enterprise at Westminster Academy

Last academic year Young Enterprise at WA was even younger than usual, with groups of primary school children participating in an Enterprise project for the week, culminating in their own Enterprise Fair at Edward Wilson school. It was impressive to see lively, eager minds, creative enterprises and superb entrepreneurial skills in Year 6!



This year we have a Young Enterprise opportunity for Years 12 and 13. You have the chance to set up and run a company as part of a nationwide competition called the Company Programme. **Students can still apply; for more information, please speak to Mr Phillips.**

WA DRAMA PRESENTS **MACBETH** AT THE SHAW THEATRE

TUESDAY 21 OCTOBER 7PM

PART OF THE SHAKESPEARE SCHOOLS FESTIVAL

Tickets available from **Ticketmaster** or speak to Ms Crowley if you would like to attend as part of a WA group.

Out, damned spot!



Parents: What's on

FREE IT classes for parents

FREE Art classes for parents and community

FREE 'Parent Gym' for parents to support students to learn faster, do better and be happier

FREE Adult English classes - every Wednesday 1-3pm

To express interest in any of the above, please email Mr Gothard: AGothard@westminsteracademy.biz

Black History Month non uniform day - Friday 17 October

Macbeth at the Shaw Theatre - Tuesday 21 October 7pm

Enrichment Day - Wednesday 22 October

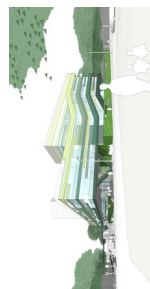
End of Term 1 - Friday 24 October

Clubs A-Z



Arabic Club	Tuesdays
Art Club KS3	Wednesdays
Art Club KS4	Mondays
Art G+T Y8	Tuesdays
Art G+T Y9	Tuesdays
Art Y10	Tuesdays
Badminton	Wednesdays
Badminton and Table Tennis	Thursdays
Basketball	Tuesdays
Boxing and Martial Arts	Wednesdays
Chess Club	Fridays
Choir: Junior Choir	Mondays
Computer Science Y9 + 10	Mondays
Creative Science	Thursdays
Dance	Fridays
Debate Mate	Mondays
Drama Club KS3	Wednesdays
Drama Y10	Tuesdays
Duke of Edinburgh	Weds / Fri
EAL - Beginners	Mondays
EAL - Beginners	Tuesdays
EAL - Beginners	Wednesdays
EAL - Beginners	Thursdays
EAL - Beginners	Fridays
EAL - Pre-Intermediate	Mondays
EAL - Pre-Intermediate	Tuesdays
EAL - Pre-Intermediate	Wednesdays
EAL - Pre-Intermediate	Thursdays
EAL - Pre-Intermediate	Fridays
EAL Higher Level	Mondays
EAL Higher Level	Tuesdays
EAL Intermediate	Wednesdays
EAL Intermediate	Wednesdays
EAL Intermediate	Thursdays
EAL Intermediate	Fridays
EAL Intermediate	Thursdays
Eco Club	Thursdays
Film Club	Thursdays
Food Club	Thursdays
Football Club	Mondays
Football Y10	Mondays
Football Y7	Tuesdays
Football Y8	Wednesdays
Football Y9	Thursdays
Girls Allowed 1	Mondays
Girls Allowed 2	Mondays
Girls Allowed 2	Mondays
Girls Football	Thursdays
Glee Club	Fridays
Guitar Club	Thursdays
Hispanic Society	Mondays

Homework Club	Mondays
Homework Club	Tuesdays
Homework Club	Wednesdays
Homework Club	Thursdays
Homework Club	Fridays
Keyboard Club	Tuesdays
Keyboard Club	Thursdays
Maths intervention Y7	Tuesdays
Maths intervention Y7	Wednesdays
Matilda - the Musical	Tuesdays
Medicine Club	Tuesdays
Medicine Club	Thursdays
Mother Tongue Bengali	Thursdays
Mother Tongue Chinese	Tuesdays
Mother Tongue French	Tuesdays
Mother Tongue Italian	Tuesdays
Mother Tongue Portuguese	Thursdays
Mother Tongue Portuguese	Fridays
Mother Tongue Spanish	Tuesdays
Netball	Tuesdays
Noether Club Y7	Wednesdays
Noether Club Y78	Wednesdays
Noether Club Y79	Wednesdays
Orchestra	Tuesdays
Parkour	Thursdays
Parkour Y7	Wednesdays
Philosophy of Science	Thursdays
Politics Club	Wednesdays
Rugby	Tuesdays
Science Club Y7	Tuesdays
Science Club Y7	Tuesdays
Science Club Y8	Tuesdays
Science G+T class	Tuesdays
Science G+T class Y9	Thursdays
Science stretch Y10	Thursdays
SEN Support Y10	Mondays
SEN Support Y10	Tuesdays
SEN Support Y7	Mondays
SEN Support Y7	Tuesdays
SEN Support Y7	Wednesdays
SEN Support Y8	Mondays
SEN Support Y8	Tuesdays
SEN Support Y8	Wednesdays
SEN Support Y9	Tuesdays
SEN Support Y9	Wednesdays
SEN Support Y9	Fridays
Steel Pans	Fridays
STEM club	Thursdays
Tennis	Thursdays
UKMT	Tuesdays
UKMT Y10	Fridays
Weights and Fitness	Wednesdays



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Academy**

Extended Day at WA

Period 5 Clubs, Activities and Interventions

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To join a club, you need to be free during period 5 on that particular day. If you are free, tell your tutor which activity you would like to join and when. This will be changed and you will be given a new timetable. Have fun!

Detach and fold your clubs leaflet here!

Mondays

Y7 SEN Support

Y8 SEN Support

Y10 SEN Support

Beginners EAL

Pre-Intermediate EAL

Higher Level EAL

Hispanic Society

Debate Mate

Football Club

Y10 Football

Girls Allowed 1

Girls Allowed 2

Girls Allowed 2

KS4 Art Club

Junior Choir

Y9 + 10 Computer Science

Homework Club

Tuesday

Y7 SEN Support

Y8 SEN Support

Y10 SEN Support

Y9 SEN Support

Beginners EAL

Pre-Intermediate EAL

Higher Level EAL

Mother Tongue Italian

Mother Tongue Spanish

Mother Tongue Chinese

Mother Tongue French

Arabic Club

Homework Club

Y7 Maths intervention

Medicine Club

Y8 Science Club

Y7 Science Club

Y9 Science G+T class

Y7 Science Club

UKMT

Orchestra

Keyboard Club

Matilda - the Musical

Y8 Art G+T

Y9 Art G+T

Y10 Art

Y10 Drama

Y7 Football

Basketball

Netball

Rugby

Homework Club

Wednesday

Y7 SEN Support

Y8 SEN Support

Y9 SEN Support

Beginners EAL

Pre-Intermediate EAL

Intermediate EAL

Intermediate EAL

Y7 Noether Club

Y8 Noether Club

Y9 Noether Club

Y7 Maths Intervention

Politics Club

Y11 Duke of Edinburgh

Y7 Parkour

Y8 Football

Badminton

Boxing and Martial Arts

Weights and Fitness

KS3 Drama Club

KS3 Art Club

Homework Club

Thursday

Pre-Intermediate EAL

Beginners EAL

Intermediate EAL

Mother Tongue

Bengali

Mother Tongue

Portuguese

STEM club

Philosophy of Science

Eco Club

Creative Science

Medicine Club

Y9 Science G+T class

Y10 Science stretch

Y9 Football

Badminton and Table

Tennis

Girls Football

Parkour

Tennis

Guitar Club

Food Club

Film Club

Keyboard Club

Homework Club

Friday

Y9 SEN Support

Pre-Intermediate EAL

Beginners EAL

Intermediate EAL

Dance

Y10 Duke of

Edinburgh

Glee Club

Steel Pans

Y10 UKMT

Chess Club

Mother Tongue

Portuguese

Homework Club