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THE ADEYFIELD ACADEMY

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to another busy half term at The Adeyfield Academy. I hope you all had a lovely break.

You will recall me mentioning in the last edition that we had two Inset days at the end of the last half term where support staff and teaching professionals collaborated with other schools within the trust for our ATLAS Conference. It was a platform for sharing ideas, strategies, and developing best practice across schools which will in turn benefit all students.

Excitement filled the air as Year 6 students and families across Hemel Hempstead eagerly awaited Allocation Day, a pivotal moment in their educational journey. We look forward to meeting everyone in the coming months as they embark on their next steps at The Adeyfield Academy.

We recently celebrated on our first-ever 5 Star Reward Trip to Cloud 9 at Jarman Park. Students who demonstrated exceptional conduct and dedication were treated to a day filled with fun and adventure,

reinforcing the importance of positive behaviour. The board is wiped clean at the beginning of each half term so I look forward to seeing who will be top of the leader board this half term!

Amidst the hustle and bustle of academic life, our students have been excelling in their mock exams. Their hard work and determination are evident in the remarkable progress they've made. Let's keep up the momentum as we prepare for the challenges ahead.

During Careers Week, a group of our students had the privilege of visiting STAGS as part of the Inspiring Women initiative. Additionally, our Sixth Form participated in the 'Big Interview Day,' gaining invaluable insights into the professional world and honing their interview skills.

Celebrating our sporting achievements, Barclays Girls Football showcased their skills and sportsmanship. Let's continue to cheer them on as they strive for excellence both on and off the field. You will also see the fabulous progress the Year 7 Gymnastics lessons and Netball teams have seen within this issue.

Stay tuned for more updates and exciting events happening at The Adeyfield Academy!

Yours Sincerely

Miss Mason
Principal

CAREERS ►

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IMPORTANT DATES



Tuesday 19th -Thursday 22nd March 2024	PA Production: Legally Blonde Jr
Tuesday 26th March 2024	Sixth Form University Trip
Wednesday 27th March 2024	Year 9 Humanutopia
Wednesday 27th March 2024	Year 12 Employability Day
Wednesday 27th March 2024	Year 10 Parents Evening
Thursday 28th March 2024	Year 12 Big Interview Day
Thursday 28th March 2024	Celebration Assemblies and early finish staggered from 12.20pm
Friday 29th March - Sunday 14th April 2024	Easter Holidays

STATIONERY

Following on from our recent letter regarding equipment and stationery, we would like to remind parents and carers that there is now an option to purchase* scientific calculators and essential stationery via the School Gateway app:

- Filled pencil case: £2.60
- Calculator: £15.00
- Coloured pencils (pack of 12): £1.99

*For students in receipt of free school meals, please contact rogerss@adeyfield.herts.sch.uk should you require any school uniform or equipment.



CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS UPDATE



The contractors were busy over half term making steady progress on our latest CIF funded building improvement project; replacing 180 fire doors and partitions throughout the academy. Both our Christie and Saujani corridors have now been updated and the results are looking fantastic alongside the new green painted pillars. The majority of this renovation work is being carried out in the school holidays to minimise disruption to learning.

Our second CIF funded construction project, to replace water pipes throughout The Adeyfield Academy continues with carefully scheduled refurbishments now taking place in the kitchens and toilets.

DRAGONS' APPRENTICE CHARITY FUNDRAISING

Throughout the year so far, The Adeyfield Academy have two teams competing in the Dacorum Dragons Apprentice event. The first team organised a bake sale, candy cane sale, year 7 and 8 disco and a sponsored horse ride. The students did extremely well and their final total was £1245.

The second team organised a charity quiz night where they organised businesses to sponsor the event and also sold refreshments and a raffle on the night. The evening was a resounding success and the students put on a great event. The total for their efforts was £1052.

With these two totals combined, the Adeyfield sixth form students have raised over £2200 which is the highest amount for the school through one event series.

The students are a credit to the school.



"We were glad to welcome the team to our boat base so that we could help them appreciate what we do, and what any money they raised would be used for. It was good to attend their Quiz Night, and to be able to spread the word about our Charity to those present. The money they have raised will more than pay for a weekend trip away on one of our canal boats for 8 Young Carers, or to cover the costs of 2 young people with physical disabilities or learning difficulties on a week long trip with us, and we welcome the way that awareness of our Charity has been raised within the local community."

- Feedback from The Waterways Experience



"It has been a pleasure to be a part of the Equestria girls team. Throughout the process they have shown themselves to be independent, thoughtful and resilient."

They took time to come up to the stables to understand the work of the charity and asked very insightful questions showing genuine interest and understanding. This visit gave them the impetus to start planning their activities but, as with all businesses, their initial plans didn't all go smoothly. They overcame these initial challenges, learnt from them and re-directed their efforts, they should be very proud of this.

They also celebrated their successes and this has led to an increase in their confidence as a team & individuals, this was evident at the interview they did with Radio Dacorum.

The money raised by the team will be used to buy a saddle, bridle and initial training for one of our new ponies.

Gaddesden Place RDA is proud to be celebrating its 50th anniversary this year and the team have given us a fantastic start to our fundraising to mark this major milestone.

Thank you Team Equestria Girls"

- Feedback from Gaddesden Place RDA Centre

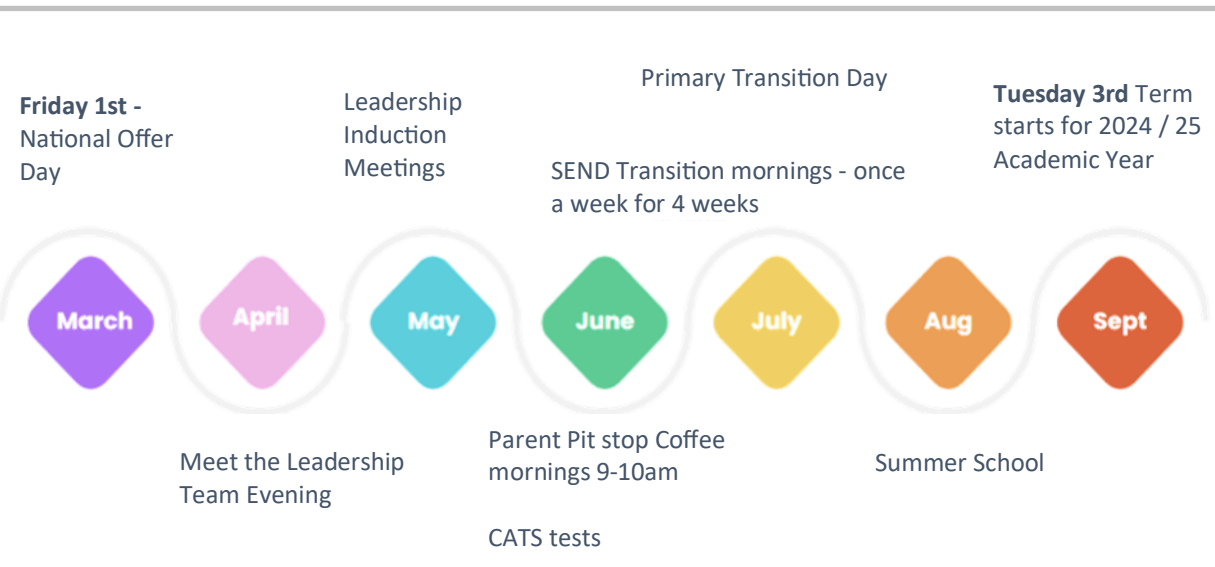




YEAR 6 TRANSITION

Congratulations to our New Year 6 students on gaining their placements at The Adeyfield Academy for September, we look forward to welcoming you over the coming week as you embark on our transition programme.

For any questions relating to transition, please email: transition@adeyfield.herts.sch.uk



STAFF INSET DAY



During the February INSET days, staff from across the Atlas Trust gathered together for an informative Teaching & Learning Conference at St Albans Girls School. Staff welcomed several key note speakers, including Robin Launder who delivered a session on the prevention of misbehaviour, Dr Vanessa Moulton of the Mindflex Group, who shared her Foundations programme on positivity and wellbeing and speakers from Hertfordshire Educational Psychology Service, who spoke about emotional coaching.



YEAR 9: THE BIG INTERVIEW



For National Careers week, students were able to practice their interview skills, both in the place of the employer and the candidate; Each of our Year 9 student's were interviewed by a Year 12 student around their GCSE options, future education and career paths as well as their wider interests. All the students said how much they really enjoyed the experience as they were able to form relationships with each other's year group. The Year 12s enjoyed being able to use their experiences to support the Year 9s with their transition to GCSEs. Rewards will be given for the best interviews!

EXPLORE MORE CAREERS TRIP

At a recent event at Essendon Country Club, some of our students participated in an Explore More program to gain insight into various career options. Representatives from different companies like John Lewis, The Army, and British Horse Racing Authority were present. The students had the opportunity to interact with each employer to learn about the different job roles available within these organisations and to help them make informed decisions about their future career paths.



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CAREERS WEEK



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INSPIRING WOMEN NETWORKING EVENT



A selected group of year 8 girls attended an Atlas 'Inspiring Women' networking event on Friday 8th March, hosted by St Albans Girls School. Students encountered a range of female employers from pilots to CEO's of multinational companies, so it was a fantastic opportunity for our students to learn from some truly inspirational women. This concluded our Careers Week in respect of International Women's Day and National Careers Week.

SADLER'S WELLS DANCE WORKSHOP

On 7th March our Performing Arts Dance students were lucky enough to be visited by NYDC as part of the Schools Workshop Programme with Sadlers Wells. The students took part in an intense 2 hour Contemporary Dance Workshop based on Novacene.

Students worked incredibly hard and were pushed to their limits! They explored repertoire from Novacene and had the opportunity to choreograph their own repertoire as well.

The NYDC Schools workshop programme is designed to give young people an insight into the NYDC process. This year the workshops are being delivered in partnership with Studio Wayne McGregor and were based on Novacene, the work created for NYDC by Wayne McGregor CBE earlier this year.

The workshop was led by NYDC Alumni, who are all young professional artists themselves and are supported through an NYDC Alumni teacher mentoring programme. It was such an incredible opportunity for our Dance students, and was a pleasure to see them express themselves through their talents in Dance. Seeing years 7 - 11 working together to create and rehearse such challenging choreography was such an honour to watch.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank NYDC, Sadlers Wells, the incredible professional artists, and of course our amazing students!

For more information on the NYDC Programme and Sadlers Wells please visit <https://www.sadlerswells.com/> and search @nydcompany on Social Media. Well done everyone!



RED NOSE DAY

WEAR RED ACCESSORIES!

FRIDAY 15 MARCH
2024

To help raise money for Comic Relief, students are invited to wear red accessories (socks, hair bands, scarfs etc) with their uniform on this day.

Suggested donations of 50p can be made via School Gateway.

Students will receive 1 house point for taking part.



Create your own... MOVIE THEMED TOILET ROLLS



To enter, submit your design via Google Classroom. Closing date: 29th March



THE ADEYFIELD ACADEMY



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HOUSES



WORLD
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WORLD BOOK DAY

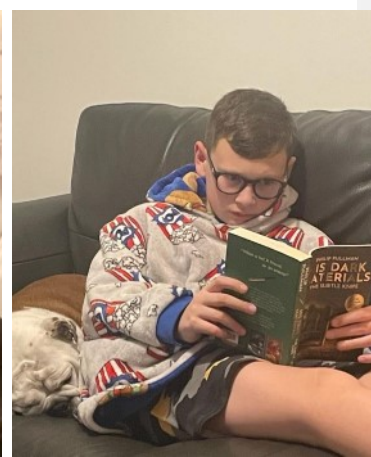
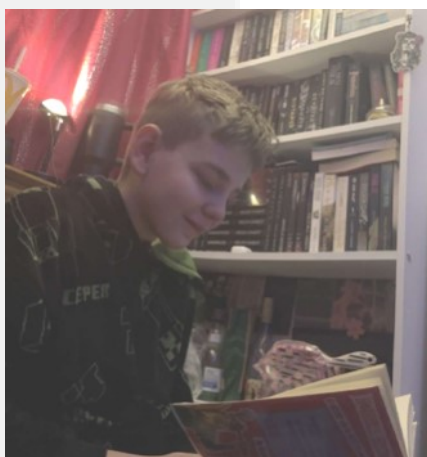
CHARACTER DRESS UP



Thank you to everyone who supported our World Book Day costume dress-up, students and staff all joined in and looked amazing! It was lovely to see so much enthusiasm for literature across the Academy.

READING CHALLENGE

Mrs Riley-Haques set a reading challenge to promote a love of reading as part of this year's World Book Day celebrations. Max R, Jasper C, Alfie S, Sophia J, Amelia P, Nate B and Katie B all read with their families and ditched their electronics. Some read to themselves for an hour, some read with their family and others read to their family. A brilliant way to celebrate a love of reading and opening up new worlds.



WORLD BOOK DAY COMPETITION



WORLD
BOOK
DAY



Our Learning Resource Centre led a house competition to create a book-inspired paper plate. The creative designs will go on display in the LRC for everyone to see. Well done to everyone who entered this competition, house points will be awarded!

HON DR STUART LAWRENCE



On Monday 11th March, The Adyefield Academy had the privilege of hosting author and orator Dr Stuart Lawrence. He spoke to students in Key Stage 3 and 4 about his books, his brother Stephen's life and murder, and the tools he has learned to live positively and move forward through adversity. His message aims to inspire young people to achieve their potential irrespective of their background or past experiences. The students enjoyed it so much, some even queued for autographs after the assembly!



WORLD BOOK DAY



SPANISH SCHOLAR

This is an article from a Year 7 Spanish Scholar, Freya B, on living in Spain and learning the language.

What I have learned in my Spanish lessons!

Having lived and gone to school in Spain for 3 and a half years, my Spanish lessons have let me continue learning and increasing my vocabulary in this language which I love.

The Spanish language is very hard to learn with all the verbs but making it fun and exciting really helps. In Spain each region speaks a different dialect, so when speaking with my Spanish friends I used to miss out on general Vocabulary, therefore I am really enjoying my lessons which allow me to practise greetings, professions, weather, hobbies, what I do in my freetime, colours, numbers, months, days of the week, personalities, age and birthdays.

Spain is a really lovely country, the Spanish people are so friendly they really do help you when you want to learn. This is why I would like to be a Spanish teacher when I am older.

I'm excited to continue learning.



Lo que he aprendido en mis lecciones de español!

Habiendo vivido y asistido a la escuela en España durante 3 años y medio, mis lecciones de Español me han permitido seguir aprendiendo y aumentando mi vocabulario en este idioma que amo.

El idioma Español es muy difícil de aprender con todos los verbos, pero hacerlo divertido y emocionante realmente ayuda. En España cada región habla un dialecto diferente, por lo que cuando hablaba con mis amigos españoles solía perderme el vocabulario general, por eso estoy disfrutando mucho de mis lecciones que me permiten practicar saludos, profesiones, clima, pasatiempos, lo que hago en mi tiempo libre, colores, números, meses, días de la semana, personalidades, son y cumpleaños.

España es un país realmente encantador, los españoles son tan amigables que realmente te ayudan cuando quieres aprender. Por eso me gustaría ser profesora de español cuando sea mayor.

Estoy emocionado de seguir aprendiendo.

WATFORD FC INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY

On 5th March 2024 our Year 7 and 8 PE scholars attended Watford FC's international women's day event. Where they took part in showing off their skills with some of the Watford Coaching team. Followed by a workshop on young women in sport and a question and answer session with Welsh International footballer Helen Ward whose career involved playing for Arsenal and Chelsea ladies and currently playing for Watford FC. The girls really enjoyed themselves!

Elise t in Year 7 said **"My highlight of the day was the coaching session with the Watford coaches".**



PRODUCT DESIGN TRIP

Last week Year 12 A Level Design Technology students embarked on a trip to the well known Swedish furniture store, IKEA, known for it's pioneering flat-pack designs, to support their coursework project. The trip involved lots of investigation and analysis work and meats balls of course - a trip to IKEA wouldn't be the same without them!



BARCLAYS GAME CHANGERS

#LETGIRLSPLAY

#letgirlsplay is a campaign to encourage more girls to play football.

Many girls might not know that they have the opportunity to play football. We are here as #letgirlsplay ambassadors to support young girls in school to improve their confidence to play football. Also assuring them to feel more comfortable playing football as well as enjoying the game. #letgirlsplay can help girls in school to feel more like themselves playing football and encouraging them to push them to the best of their ability. We as ambassadors are here to help girls strive to play football by giving them more opportunities through sport and as a team .

From the #letgirlsplay ambassadors Imogen P, Maddison K and Zoe K.

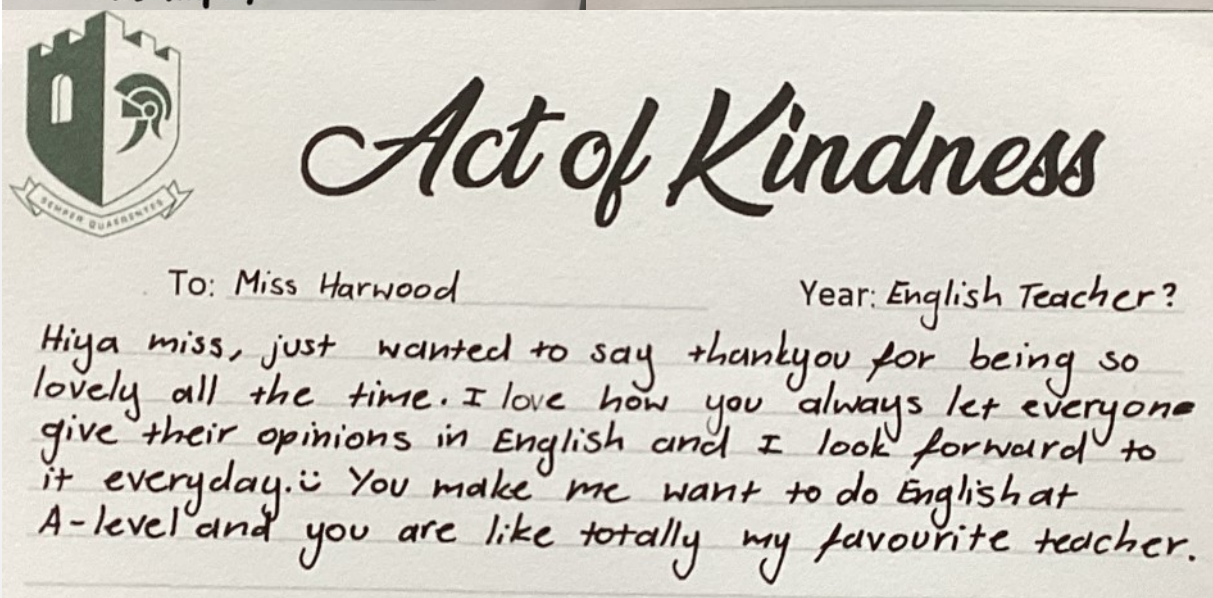
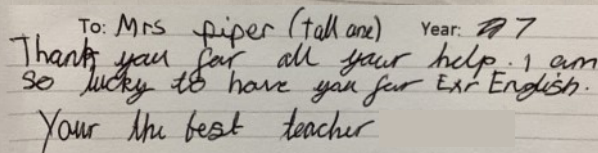
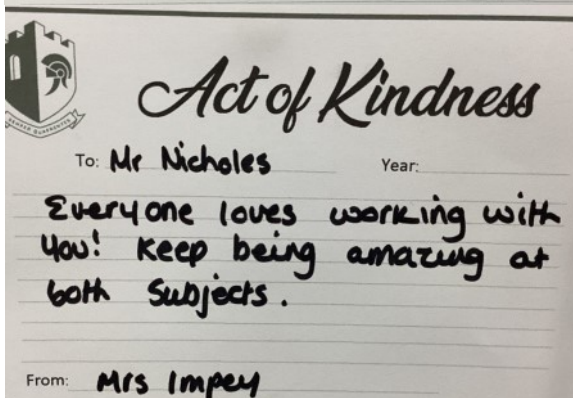
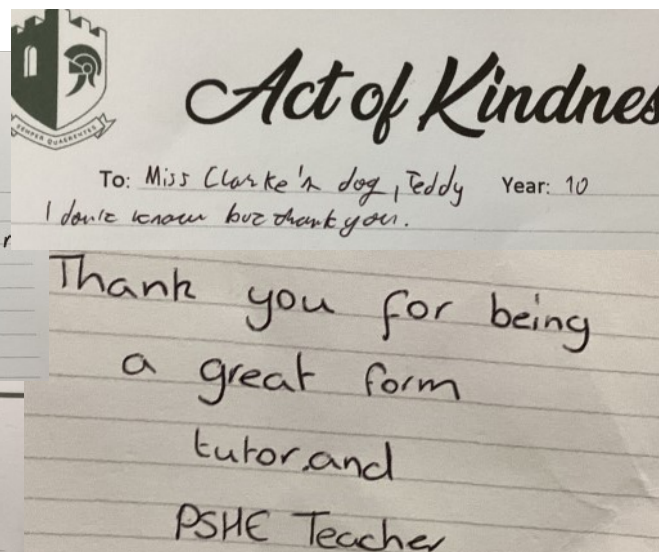
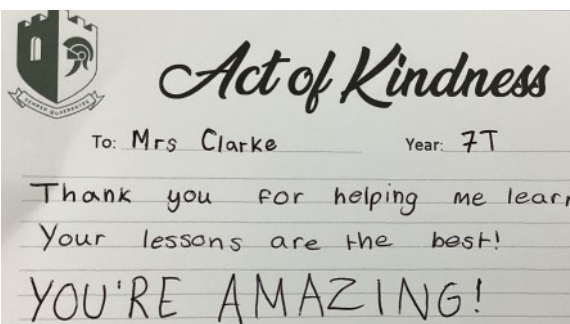


ENRICHMENT



ACTS OF KINDNESS

Students have been sending messages of gratitude to members of staff since we came back after half term. These have been lovely to read and the staff have been overwhelmed with the number of kind comments.



CHILD DEVELOPMENT

Our Year 10 child development students have been learning about the physical changes of pregnancy by experiencing what it's like to have a pregnant stomach with these artificial forms. This was an interesting learning experience for the students to gain greater understanding of this process.

GREEK THEMED MENU



GREEK DAY

**WEDNESDAY
27 MARCH 2024**



Chicken Doner Kebab

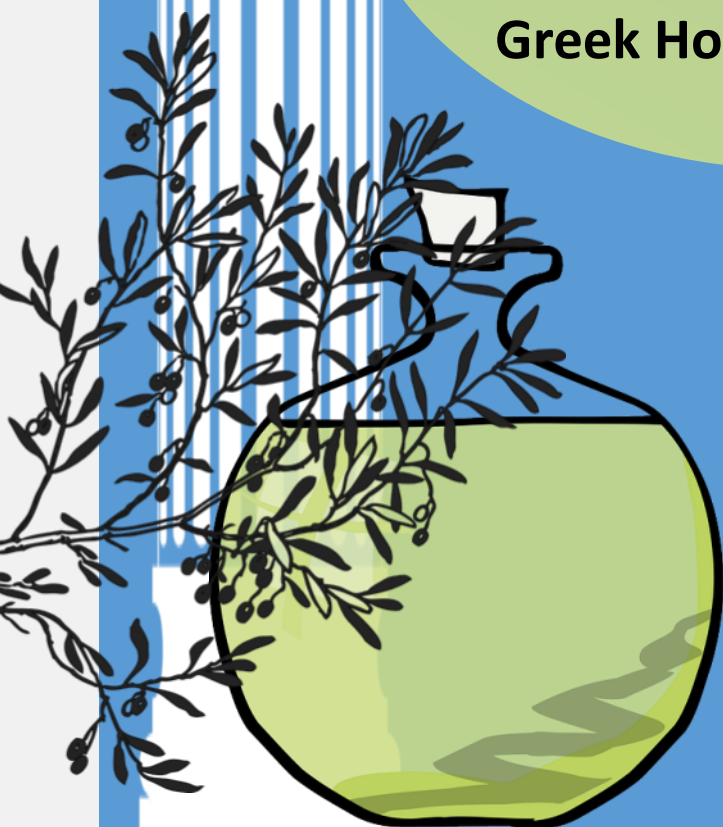
Chicken Gyros

Roasted Vegetable Gyros

Mezze Salad

Mint Oregano Baked Wedges

Greek Honey & Yoghurt Cake



Aspens



RESPECT

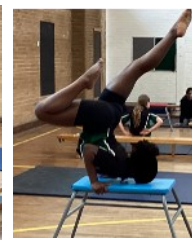


COURAGE & AMBITION

YEAR 7 GYMNASTICS



Year 7 have been working hard on their gymnastics putting together some fantastic routines for their assessments. Using a variety of equipment including vault, beam and floor work.



SPORTS NEWS



One of our Year 9 students is currently playing football for Watford FC and on a recent Poland tour his team not only one won the championship, but he is also responsible for the 2 goals scored in their victory game. Well done for being such a great role model and ambassador for The Adeyfield Academy.



Our senior girls netball team have had a fabulous season, placing second overall in the league. On Tuesday 5th March they competed at the District versatility competition at Ashlyns School open to 14 schools in the borough of which our girls placed 3rd overall. One of the highlights of the evening was playing Ashlyns A and beating them 8-2 in a 7 minute round.

The girls should be really proud of their achievements this season. They have shown real ambition and drive in their games and they have been a pleasure to coach. I look forward to our next season in September!



LEGALLY BLONDE JR

THE ADEYFIELD ACADEMY
Presents

LEGALLY Blonde Jr

 THE ADEYFIELD ACADEMY

CAST A:
19th & 21st March 2024

CAST B:
20th & 22nd March 2024

Tickets available via School Gateway,
Adults: £4, Concessions / Students: £2

Doors Open: 5.30pm
Show time: 6.00pm

Music and Lyrics by
Lawrence O'Keefe and Neil Benjamin

Based on the novel by Amanda Brown
and the Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer motion picture

Original Production by Hal Lubig, Fox Theatricals, Don Benetson, James L. Nederlander, Independent Presenters Network, Roy Furman, Amanda Lipitz, Broadway
Asia, Barbara Whitman, FWPB Group, Ruth Herald, Cheryl Mosier, Hal Goldberg, David Binder, James G. Stern, Douglas I. Meyer, Stewart F. Lane, Bonnie
Conley, Robert G. Barrer, Michael A. Jenkins, Albert Sussman and Warren Trapp. Produced in association with MPTL Chicago, Denise Dentert and Dawn Stalder

Production Team
Mrs Farns, Mrs Jagger, Miss Hale and Miss Watts

Legally Blonde Jr. is presented through special arrangement with and all authorized materials are supplied by Music Theatre International, New York, NY
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LEGALLY
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JR
CAST A
CAST B
ADULTS
CONCESSIONS
STUDENTS

Taking on the lead role of a school production can be a big commitment, as well as being a bit daunting. But both Angel G (Cast A) and Emily B (Cast B) have taken it in their stride.

"Legally Blonde is my third show at Adeyfield, in year 7 I played Kelsi in High School Musical, and in year 8 I played Mrs Wormwood in Matilda. I'm in year 9 now and have somehow landed myself Elle Woods and I am still in shock!. I am part of Jigsaw Performing Arts School and I take singing lessons at Dacorum Music School.

The morning the cast list was posted my friend came to my form room and told me I got the part. I thought she was pulling my leg and when I saw that she was right I was in utter disbelief.

I love to perform and I love the people here. I know the show will be great, so if you fancy seeing it then you should!" Emily B, year 9

"This is my second production I have done at Adeyfield; last year I played Erica in Matilda. When I got the part of Elle, I was overfilled with excitement and joy. I remember I had been waiting all week to find out, and when I saw I got the part of Elle, I started jumping and I even started crying! This process has been so incredible and fun, everyone has been so supportive. Yes I have found things challenging but everyone has really helped me out and supported me through this journey.

I have always had the dream of being in a secondary school production since I was young. The main reason for this is that I used to see my older brothers perform in their school productions which really inspired me. I really believe that any dream of yours can come true if you put your mind to it. This show really gives us this message. This show is filled with energy, excitement and more than words can say. So that's why I say, "BUY TICKETS NOW!!" Angel G, Year 8



COURAGE & AMBITION



RECOGNITION & DIGNITY

'HOT CHOC' REWARDS

Well done to students who have been recognised for improving their attendance to school or maintaining 100% attendance, each week students are selected to receive an award meeting with the Principal. Well done to all.

Congratulations also to all the 5 star students who have been nominated for a 'Hot Choc Friday' recognition treat with Miss Mason. It's always really heart-warming to hear such positive messages written about our students.

Students include Aaron B, Arjun C, Arvin M, Favour C-O, Katie S, Lucas B, Phoebe R, Rosa P, Shahirah A, Spencer B, Ayla L, Caleb H-B, Emma W, Isabel F, Khaira J, Nate B, Oakley C, Safa A and Taylor S-S.



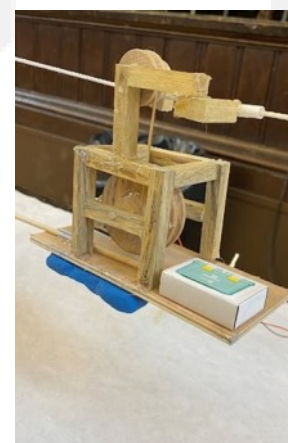
Hot Choc Friday



THE ROTARY TECHNOLOGY COMPETITION

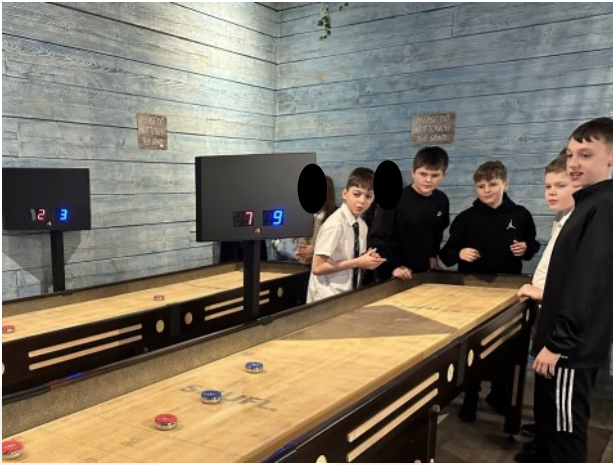
Congratulations to Andrew, George, Kahlen and Mia-Capri, who beat fierce competition across the rest of Hertfordshire to claim the Rotary Technology Tournament trophy with their excellent engineering, design and team work skills. Our junior team; Charlie, Dylan, Jayden and Louis were awarded runners-up too. Well done to all.

This year's challenge was to design a and build a cable car that could safely deliver aid across a crocodile infested river. This reflected a real-life challenge currently required in Gaza. The winners were delighted with their amazon vouchers.



RECOGNITION DAY

5 STAR STUDENTS



Students who met conduct targets for last half term were awarded an afternoon of fun at Cloud 9. This is a new initiative to encourage positive behaviour and attitudes to learning as well as recognising students who achieve this. The targets include combined criteria for Achievement points, Attendance and with a minimal number of Behaviour points. Well done to all the students who were able to achieve this and we hope to celebrate more successes throughout the year.



RECOGNITION & DIGNITY



NATIONAL SCIENCE WEEK

SCIENCE WEEK

POSTER COMPETITION

THEME: TIME



THE TOP FIVE CREATIONS WILL BE SUBMITTED TO BRITISH SCIENCE WEEK & STAND A CHANCE OF WINNING AN ARRAY OF PRIZES

- Posters must be A4 or A3 in size
- You'll need to be able to take a photograph of it so it can be sent online for judging.
- You can use popup pictures, pull-out tabs or materials such as pencils, paints, crayons and paper to create your posters.
- Posters will be judged on creativity, how well they fit the theme, how well they have been made or drawn, and how engaging they are.

DUE MONDAY 25 MARCH

SUBMIT YOUR HARD-COPY CREATION TO YOUR SCIENCE TEACHER

**IF YOU NEED HELP GETTING STARTED, SEE THE
INFO ON THE NEXT PAGE.**



HEMEL STORM BASKETBALL ACADEMY

PRIMARY & SECONDARY

Laureate Academy, HP1 3DW

THIS YEAR'S ACADEMY:

*Days/Time:

Monday Primary: 5pm-5:45pm

Monday Secondary: 6pm-6:45pm

Wednesday Primary: 5pm-5:45pm

Wednesday Secondary: 6pm-6:45pm

Pay to play cost:

£8 per session

Term Payment (Block payment):

Monday: Term 1 (£91), Term 2 (£77), Term 3 (£77)

Wednesday: Term 1 (£91), Term 2 (£77), Term 3 (£84)



*All sessions run in accordance with Hertfordshire school's term dates and Bank Holidays

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