



# ***THE PHOENIX***

## **STEWARDS ACADEMY NEWSLETTER**

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## **HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE**

**HEADTEACHER**  
MRS GINGER



It is always a privilege to have this opportunity to address pupils, parents and staff in our half-termly newsletter. This half-term sees the beginning of the GCSE exams that our Year 11 cohort have been tirelessly working towards. We are very pleased to see the maturity and resilience they are demonstrating, with their journey to this point being far from smooth!.

It is for this reason, that it was exceptionally pleasing to be able to hold our first Presentation Evening for three years and to award our academic and special prizes to our Year 11 pupils, together with our tutor prizes in other year groups.

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## HEADTEACHERS MESSAGE (CONT)

Outside of school hours, the academy has continued to come more alive this term. As I walk around school at the end of the day it is wonderful to see pupils taking part in so many activities and taking opportunities to grow and learn. On Tuesdays and Fridays, it is a delight to hear KS3 pupils preparing for our forthcoming production of Matilda. This performance is set to be outstanding. Do make sure you all come along!

Planning is currently underway for the Duke of Edinburgh Award Expedition for pupils in Year 9 and 10. Mrs Goddard is so pleased with the enthusiasm shown by the 80 pupils who have taken up this challenge.

As always, I was very pleased to announce the last three of our student Jack Petchey Award winners, but equally, I was delighted to announce this year's Leadership Award, which went to Mr Scholtes, Senior Deputy Headteacher. Mr Scholtes has worked side by side with me over the last five years, during very challenging times, and this is a very well-deserved award. Congratulations to you, Mr Scholtes!

I would again like to take this opportunity to thank parents for their constant support with maintaining high standards of behaviour and attitude to learning in the academy. We make no apologies for expecting only the very best of our students in all that they do, and I know that you very much support us in doing so.

*Helen Ginger*

Headteacher - Stewards Academy

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## YEAR 11 HARLOW COLLEGE VISIT

On Wednesday 27th April, 10 pupils from Stewards Academy visited Harlow College accompanied by Mrs Bailey and Miss Brooks. They were met by Deborah Wallace-Martin from Harlow College who talked to the pupils about the different types of courses available and explained what college life is like compared to school.

We then toured all areas of the College including the Catering department and restaurant, the Motor mechanics and Construction areas, we also visited the incredible Engineering department which houses some very expensive and impressive machinery. The Engineering staff demonstrated a gas-cylinder driven dual race car track and some pupils took part in a couple of races against each other, it was really good fun.

All of the pupils who attended were impeccably behaved and said that they really enjoyed the visit.



MRS BAILEY



BY MRS GINGER



This half-term has seen the launch of two Foundation Focuses: 'Be Kind' and 'Talk to Us'.

We have been talking to pupils about the importance of kindness and of how hurtful the smallest of throwaway comments can be on someone's self-esteem and well being. We have reminded pupils of the simple acts of kindness such as saying please and thank you and holding open doors.

The clear message of Stewards being an **Anti-bullying School** has been sung from the rooftops and pupils have been reminded that they should **'talk to us'** whenever they feel that someone else's actions are making them feel uncomfortable. We have introduced a new **STOP** (Several Times on Purpose) **Box**, as suggested by School Council, to give pupils another way to let us know if they need support.

In the coming weeks we will be focusing on **'No Prohibited Items'**, sending that all important message that drugs, alcohol and offensive weapons have no place in young people's lives. This can be a difficult message to deliver, but Mrs Atkinson, our Designated Safeguarding Lead, will do so with her usual tactful and direct manner, that will ensure pupils know how to keep themselves and everybody else safe.

## STEWARDS LEARNER



BY MRS GODDARD

## LEARNING AT STEWARDS

Pupils across the school have continued to show our school values with enthusiasm and commitment. Lessons across the school have been vibrant and energetic as usual this term. As we come out of the pandemic, every opportunity has been taken by teachers to focus on important life skills and to ensure that the wellbeing of pupils is at the forefront of all that we do.

We have continued to develop 'Directed Reading Activities Related to the Text' (DARTs) in all subjects across the school. This is a key part of every lesson where fluency and enjoyment are the result of careful teaching and frequent practice of DARTs. DART activities underpin 'Reading for Meaning' activities and help to develop pupils' confidence and use of talk in the classroom. These tasks model to pupils how to 'Read well' and give them lots of opportunities to practice and improve their reading. A continued focus for the remainder of the year is for pupils to demonstrate an increased confidence in tackling challenging texts as well as reading for pleasure both in school and at home.

This week is the last week before the Easter break and, as usual, Stewards Academy will be an exciting hive of educational activity. We will work hard to the end of term and then enjoy some relaxation and a well-earned rest.



# HOUSE INFORMATION

After a brilliant end to last term, you have all started this term with enthusiasm and confidence!

As the Year 11s embark on their final leg at Stewards we would like to wish them luck, not only in their exams but also future endeavours. Put all your hard work over the last five years to good use - we know you will be amazing.

Everyone has given their all over the last few weeks and have faced every challenge head on and to their full potential. We look forward to our next house assembly where we can come together as a house to celebrate our success. We will also introduce to you the new House Captains, who will become familiar faces to you over the coming year.

Next term there are many exciting events to look forward to, including the rewards trips that you have all worked so hard towards. And finally, Sports Day, which is thoroughly enjoyed by all and allows us to really come together as a house! We look forward to seeing everyone compete, having fun and earning points for our house.

**MISS SPOWART AND  
MISS VENABLES**

## TOP FORTITUDE SCORERS



### Year 7:

Lexi Cartright - 271  
Renee Stewart - 266

### Year 8:

Daisy O'Dell - 245  
Chloe Dean - 257

### Year 9:

Ethan Jones - 232  
Billy Hinkley - 180

### Year 10:

Pheobe Dimdore 274  
Charlotte Roberts 275

### Year 11:

Demi Williams-Cousins - 159  
Wafikat Salami - 137

# HOUSE INFORMATION

**MISS BECKETT, MISS DICKINSON &  
MRS WOOLLEY**

As the final summer term is among us we are now in the last stretch of the year and excited to see if Prowess Panthers will be victorious once again!

Unfortunately, we will be saying goodbye and good luck to our current House Captains, Nancy Osagie and Brooke Manoli this half term. Thank you so much for all your hard work and support this year with assemblies, house events and student mentoring. We wish you all best in the future and the best of luck in your upcoming exams!

With every end comes new beginnings and we would like to give a huge shout out to our newly appointed House Captains, Jessica Bishop and Edward Austin. We have also appointed Connor Longley as our Sports Captain and Emily Braham as our Pupil Voice Ambassador. We are looking forward to seeing how this fantastic new team of students can guide support and motivate the Panthers to victory once again!

Finally, we would like to wish our current year 11 cohort the best of luck in their upcoming exams. We have witnessed the hard work and dedication throughout the year whilst fully committing and participating in the wider school life. When it's exam day - warm up your brain and show the world how exceptionally wonderful you are!

## TOP PROWESS SCORERS



### Year 7:

Hayden Lawless  
Angel Bahar Aldanmaz

### Year 8:

Lois Green  
Alex Pancu

### Year 9:

Erin Springthorpe  
Urte Bludziute

### Year 10:

Mary Gigericiuc  
Ella Stacey

### Year 11:

Tiffany Page  
Nancy Osagie



# HOUSE INFORMATION

**MISS DANLER AND  
MISS MCGRUDDY**

My fellow Jaguars, as we approach the end of this year I would like to congratulate you all for your resilience and your positive attitude around school. Once again, we are the house with the least negative points, so keep it going! Many of you have shone brightly this year and I would like to mention a few of you especially with the most positive points since the last newsletter. In Y7 Ruby Fairley (KH) with 68 and Zuzanna Potrzebowska (TT) with 67; in Y8 Daisie Hudgell (SA) with 66 and Diana Delgado (SA) with 64; in Y9 Nyah Shoebridge (ADB) with 58 and Olivia Gold (ADB) with 49; in Y10 Darcie Smith (VE) with 56 and Daisy Chapman (VE) with 52; and finally in Y11 Ben Noruwa (EM) as always setting the standard as one of our House Captains with 31 and Divine Idehen-Amen (SD) with 30. A special shout out to Alvin Ayoubi (VE) who will be representing us Jaguars in the student Leadership Team as the new Deputy Head Boy, well done Alvin!

Looking forward to celebrating all your amazing efforts in the next house assembly. Have a wonderful, restful half-term.

## TOP BRAVERY SCORERS



### **Year 7:**

Ruby Fairley 278  
Zuzanna Potrzebowska 277

### **Year 8:**

Daisie Hudgell 284  
Aiden Rutherford 281

### **Year 9:**

Olivia Gold 250  
Nyah Shoebridge 246

### **Year 10:**

Holly Battelley 262  
Lacie Smith 243

### **Year 11:**

Ben Noruwa 214  
Divine-Idehen Amen 174

# HOUSE INFORMATION

**MR YOUNG & MISS WHITE**

Welcome House Valour to our Summer term! We are so impressed by the maturity, resilience and dedication shown by all of you towards your schoolwork as well as your compassion and care towards one another. The house event turnouts and support have been fantastic! Your superb attitude can be seen through the number of positive points Valour students have been awarded. We have created a great community filled with laughs, appreciation and teamwork. Keep up the positive attitude and dedication.

Congratulations to our new Valour House Captains! These pupils represent Valour's courage and pride, and we are so proud of you! Congratulations to Danny McCarthy, Gabriel Keita and Rachael Carpenter. We know you are going to make House Valour proud and have a fantastic year!

A big shout out to our year 11 pupils who are completing their final stretch at Stewards Academy. Valour wishes you all the best and we are so proud of your dedication and work ethic! We know you are going to absolutely smash your exams and succeed in your future endeavours.

We hope you enjoy the sunshine and all the fun that comes with it!

## TOP VALOUR SCORERS



### **Year 7**

George Springthorpe  
Lara Miksovic

### **Year 8**

Victoria Chochorowska  
Cherry Graham

### **Year 9**

Clifford Edwards-Lowe  
Kayleigh Levins

### **Year 10**

Rachael Carpenter  
Lillie Hudgell

### **Year 11**

Charlotte Briant  
Daisy Billington

# PE NEWS- YEAR 10 VS 11

MR SANDERS

To finish the Easter term, we had our annual Year 10 vs 11 football match. Although scheduled later than intended due to the poor weather at Christmas, everyone was keen to get the game completed.

The match turned out to be one of the closest matches in years with the year 11 pupils eventually running out 2-1 winners due to two late second half goals from Justin Osagie.

The match was played in excellent spirits with both teams looking to play football on a difficult surface.

It was the Year 10 pupils who settled quickly and had several half chances, before a penalty was awarded to the Year 11 against the run of play. Justin Osagie stepped up, but his kick was saved by Albie Marsden. The match went in to the second half with the scores still level, when the Year 10 were awarded their own spot kick after Jason Oseni made a rash tackle. Gabriel Keita stepped up, but his penalty was also saved, this time by Toby Clegg. However, the ball rebounded nicely to Gabriel and he made no mistake at the second time of asking.

The turning point of the game came when an excellent header by Jesse Ansen was judged to have been offside. This stroke of luck spurred on the Year 11s and they struck late on when Justin Osagie finished excellently getting the equaliser, and then again a few minutes before the end of the game to grab a famous winner.

The Year 10s can be proud of their performance and look forward to maintaining their reputation as year 11's next year.



MR YOUNG

## INTERHOUSE COMPETITION

Forms	Dodgeball	Table Tennis	Fitness	Danish LB	Futsal	Rounders	Total Points	Position
TT/KH	20	0	0				20	4
SRM/EO	20	25	0				45	3
JS/KS	30	50	68				148	1
CH/ID	10	25	28				63	2
Forms	Dodgeball	Table Tennis	Fitness	Danish LB	Futsal	Rounders	Total Points	Position
JP/ SA	20	21	34				75	2
JDS/ PH	22	22	17				61	3
JT/ GGS	32	28	20				80	1
JY/SW	22	28	0				50	4
Forms	Dodgeball	Table Tennis	Fitness	Danish LB	Futsal	Rounders	Total Points	Position
ADB/KT	20	0	0				20	4
EKG/MR	16	7	12				35	3
EKB/ EC	32	21	31				84	2
MG/ TL	28	31	30				89	1
Forms	Dodgeball	Table Tennis	Fitness	Danish LB	Futsal	Rounders	Total Points	Position
VE/SMR	22	7	22				51	2
CV/JAS	32	20	18				70	1
EW / RN	16	14	0				30	3
SE/	26	4	0				30	3

This half term sees the return of the Inter-house competition with 3 more events taking place across the four year groups. As you can see from the results above there is still plenty to play for in each year group. The three upcoming sports that pupils will be taking part in are Danish longball (new addition that pupils will participate in during sports day), Football and Rounders.

A reminder to all pupils and teachers alike, that all results from the inter-house competition will contribute to the sports day totals, so it is very important with sports day on the horizon.





# ATHLETICS



Throughout this half term, pupils have been extremely busy within their PE lessons developing their athletics skills and techniques.

Pupils across years 7-10 have been taking part in athletics field events: long jump, high jump, javelin, discus and shot put. Due to the interference of Covid, many of the pupils were being introduced to the events for the first time. Pupils are taught the different styles and techniques and then their performances are recorded and displayed within the PE department.

We are lucky to work with some very talented athletes and there have already been two new school records to date.

In Year 7, Maxim Szarvardi 7SRM of Fortitude broke the Year 7 Shotput school record. He recorded an excellent throw of 9.10m. In doing so he broke an 8-year-old Year 7 shot put record.

In Year 10, Rachael Carpenter 10SE of Valour broke the Year 10 Javelin school record. She recorded an excellent throw of 23.00m. Rachael broke a school record that had been standing since 2008!

A huge congratulations to both athletes on their achievements.

We have begun our athletics season after a delayed start due to the inclement weather. The senior team were the first to participate, with the following pupils all selected to take part after some excellent performances within lessons and athletics club.

Senior Athletics team; Katherine Obeng, Coco Hayles, Satu Brou,

## NOTABLE MENTIONS

Rachael Carpenter, Elizabeth Adigun, Darcie Smith, Jesse Ansen, Gabriel Keita, Harley Kwofie, Caleb Odumosu, Frankie Jennings, Harvey Williams

Notable mentions to Caleb Odumosu for finishing first in the shotput, Gabriel Keita for finishing 2nd in high jump, Rachael Carpenter finishing 2nd in 1500m and then incredibly running the 800m straight after and finishing 3rd! Frankie Jennings finished 3rd in Javelin and Harley Kwofie finished 3rd in long jump.

Well done to the team on their performances within the first athletics meet of the year. Good luck to the juniors who are next to participate.

BY MR SPRINGTHORPE

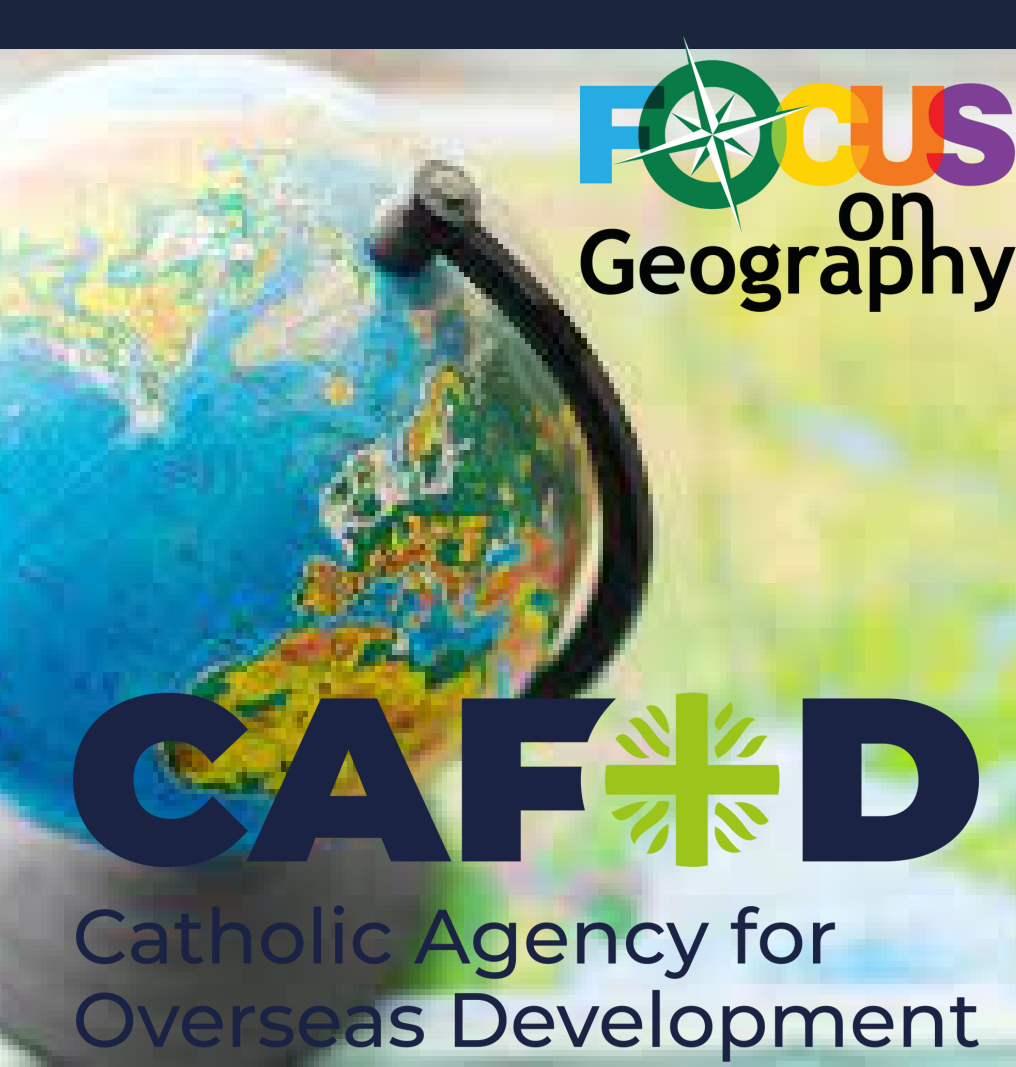
## CREATIVE WRITING CLUB

### Creative Writing Club and Summer Volunteering

This half-term has seen the club celebrate the success of 7 of its poets receiving prizes for their contributions to 'Young Writers' 'Empowered' competition, in which all shall see their work published in an anthology. The club has also registered with 'The Orwell Prize' and 'H.G. Wells Society' to contribute short stories. Several of its members have also registered with the summer holiday volunteering opportunity for students aged 14 and over with Essex Library Service. Essex Libraries are inviting students aged 14 and over to volunteer in their local library during the summer holidays. Their role will be to encourage children to participate in the annual Summer Reading Challenge and talk to them about the books they are reading. Students can also use this opportunity to gain work experience within their community and they can put the volunteering hours towards Youth Award Schemes such as Duke of Edinburgh. Volunteering will help them gain new skills and self-confidence. Any interested pupils should see Mr. Springthorpe for initial details.



## SUMMER VOLUNTEERING



# FOCUS on Geography

# CAFOD

## Catholic Agency for Overseas Development

During the last week of April, the Geography Department (Mr Hickman, Miss Dickinson and Miss Danculea) conducted assemblies to all year groups on the theme of Earth Week. Our aim was to promote better awareness of three major global environmental challenges: deforestation, climate changes and plastic pollution. We explored the causes of these problems and the devastating impacts they are having on the global environment and people. We also examined how these challenges could be solved by both collective and individual action. Pupils were given a challenge to help the environment. They have been asked to reduce the amount of clothes they buy as the clothing industry is the second most polluting global industry. We hope through awareness and action we can both improve environmental sustainability and save money!

## IMPORTANCE OF GEOGRAPHY

With the growing importance of issues such as climate change, migration, environmental degradation, spatial epidemiology and inequalities, geography is one of the most relevant courses you could choose to study. Geography courses are popular, demonstrated by strong completion rates and positive student feedback. Geographers are also highly employable and collectively receive competitive graduate salaries. Above all, geographers have potential to be well-informed global citizens, using their unique combinations of knowledge and skills to make a positive difference in the world.

Whatever your passion for the world – fascination with landscapes or concerns about sustainability – geography will provide you with knowledge and transferable skills that will reward you personally and advance you professionally.

## AID TO AFRICA

During the Spring term, Stewards Academy helped an African Charity called CAFOD WASH which aims to help women in Zimbabwe who suffer from uterine fibroids. The charity is partly organised by Staff Nurse Charmaine Mutsago who works within an Essex hospital. Charmaine works with CAFOD WASH to send feminine sanitary products from the UK to Zimbabwe. She collects spare sanitary products from schools, hospitals and other settings and then sends them to Zimbabwe. The Bridge at Stewards Academy was able to donate spare sanitary products to CAFOD WASH (organised by Mrs Atkinson, Mrs Smith and Mrs Hunt). Mr Hickman was then able to take the sanitary products to Charmaine Mutsago who sent them on a very long journey to Zimbabwe. Charmaine visited Zimbabwe in April 2022 and ensured the sanitary products reached the women who needed them.



Staff Nurse Charmaine Mutsago signing her book about working in the NHS and growing up in Zimbabwe.



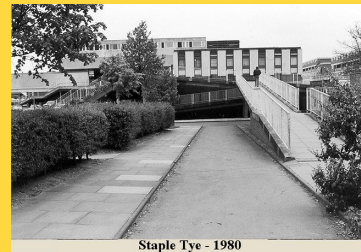
# DIAMOND JUBILEE PROJECTS

## STEWARDS 1963-2023

Harlow

With the impending Diamond Jubilee of Stewards Academy it is a fantastic opportunity for us to reflect on our last 60 years. In preparation for this, we have been discussing the many ways we can celebrate the events that have taken place over this considerable length of time. Reflecting, we can find ourselves thinking about not just the past, but the future and how subsequent members of Stewards Academy could regard these amazing achievements. Suffice to say, there is a huge amount of documentation to be reviewed in a relatively short period of time. The History Department will be leading the way with the anniversary year celebrations by creating a display of Stewards nostalgia. We have so many rich sources of information and will be looking for willing participants to help us. If you are interested in contributing to September's school history project for the schools 60th Jubilee, come and see me to register your interest. Meanwhile, if you are willing to contribute to any other of next year's events in any way, please speak to your subject teachers to find out what they have planned and how you might be able to help out. I am really looking forward to working with you all in planning the celebrations for the next academic year!

MR HAWK



# CAREERS

## SHE CAN BE



# FUTUREADY

14 female Year 10 students were given a unique opportunity to attend an exciting bespoke event in London. *She Can Be* is a scheme that aims to change the perception of females in industry and empower girls to make informed decisions about their career by introducing them to roles in the corporate world so that they can see the City not only as a viable option, but an exciting one too.

*She Can Be* is a unique programme, where students visit a corporate company and learn about their work through an interactive and immersive mission or task in the morning. In the afternoon they joined a virtual session where they could interact with other companies and young women, solve a problem, ask questions to the professionals and make a personal pledge.

A hybrid virtual/in-person event was delivered this year. This meant that they visited the London offices in the morning and dialed into their virtual afternoon session from there. After the event, they attended a virtual skill-development workshop to further prepare them for their future career.



# JACK PETCHEY ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS



We are proud to participate in the *Jack Petchey Achievement Award Scheme*. Each year pupils and staff are able to nominate those that they think are worthy of an award. Our next three winners are Israel, Steph and Wahid from Year 11. Well done to all of you on this excellent achievement!



## March- Khalid Shobowale

Khalid is a deep thinker who articulates his thoughts well and is willing to put forward his ideas logically. He always enters discussions calmly and with valid reasoning. Khalid has proved himself to be an excellent musician over the years playing both guitar and keyboard intuitively and skillfully. But another talent has emerged more recently, which is his ability to compose. He is collaborative in his music making and can create pieces that are fun and catchy or mature and sensitive. Khalid is an excellent role model to his peers and younger students. Congratulations.

## May - Tiffany Page

Throughout this year Tiffany has gone over and above to rise to the role of Deputy Head girl at school. She has pushed herself completely out of her comfort zone and has done this with confidence, tenacity and is truly a role model to those around her. As well as taking on new responsibilities, she has continued to remain committed to her academic studies and representing the school in sporting events. She embodies everything about the Jack Petchey Award and wholly deserves the recognition for all her hard work.



## April- Alfie Holgate

Alfie is a lovely, kind and considerate young man who has gone out of his way to help others. He shows great resilience and despite his challenges, he arrives to school with a smile and ready to tackle the day ahead. He is supportive of those around him and is a good friend to those in need. Alfie has a wonderful personality and an infectious laugh. He is a thoughtful and inspirational young man. Well done, Alfie.



When asking a pupil why she had nominated this member of staff, she replied: "there is an aura of happiness around them". Pupils and staff alike feel supported and valued by this leader and appreciate their visibility day-to-day around the academy. Many of those nominating commented that they are always approachable and make time to support individuals if needed- even when they themselves are incredibly busy. The pupils find them relatable and always checking in to see how things are.

This person possesses all the qualities of a great leader and is always open and honest with their opinions. They are a valued part of the Stewards team and always leads from the front. They have helped to steer the academy through challenging times over the last two years and their hard work is recognised and valued. This person is an amazing teacher who inspire their pupils, challenging and nurturing them, so they succeed in all paths of life.

It is with great pleasure to announce, that the **Leadership Award for 2022, goes to Mark Scholtes.**





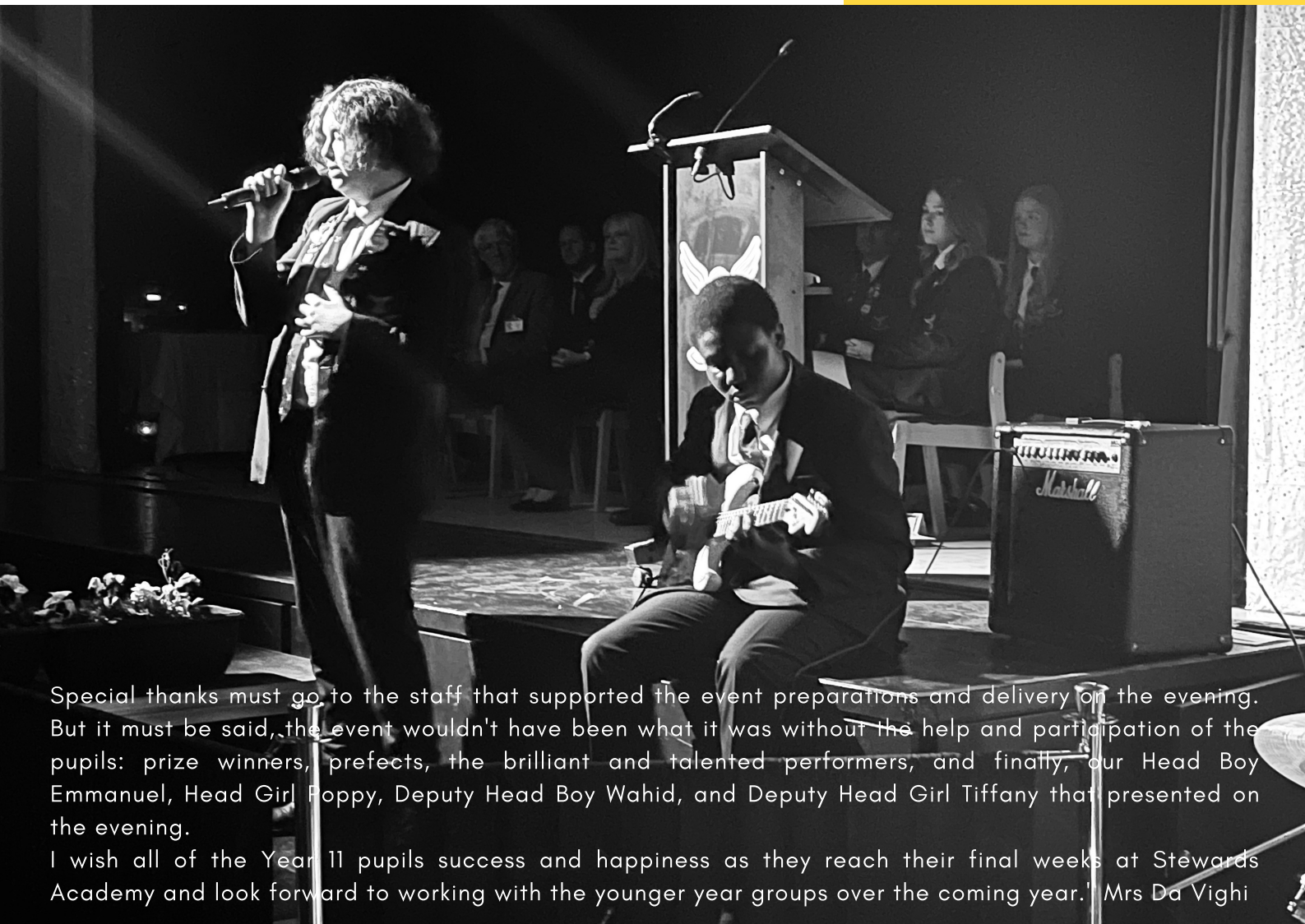
# PRESENTATION EVENING

On Thursday 28th April 2022, Stewards Academy was delighted to hold the first Presentation Evening for three years. The evening celebrated the successes of pupils across all year groups. Tutor Awards were given in acknowledgement of pupils' development, progress, commitment, and hard work. Subject and Special Awards were given to Year 11 for academic excellence, 100% attendance over 5 years, EAL progress, community and performing arts.

Three Governors' awards were also awarded to Year 11 pupils: Fleur Salhi, for Academic Achievement; Head Girl, Poppy Tant, for Contribution to the Life of the Academy; and Head Boy, Emmanuel Addo-Sunu for Citizenship.

To add to the evening, we also had some special performances from Ruby in Year 9, and our Year 11 GCSE music students: Taner with his own composition; Khalid with his original song; and Jack, Israel, Khalid and Alex with a band performance.

Di da Vighi, Enrichment Co-ordinator and event organiser, said: "Following the disruption to enrichment activities over the last couple of years, I was absolutely delighted to organise Presentation Evening this year. All the pupils involved are an absolute credit to the academy and their families, and they should feel incredibly proud of their achievements."



Special thanks must go to the staff that supported the event preparations and delivery on the evening. But it must be said, the event wouldn't have been what it was without the help and participation of the pupils: prize winners, prefects, the brilliant and talented performers, and finally, our Head Boy Emmanuel, Head Girl Poppy, Deputy Head Boy Wahid, and Deputy Head Girl Tiffany that presented on the evening.

I wish all of the Year 11 pupils success and happiness as they reach their final weeks at Stewards Academy and look forward to working with the younger year groups over the coming year.' Mrs Da Vighi

Hello to you all,

In this newsletter we look at our wellbeing and managing our emotions. Learning how to recognise and manage our emotions is a valuable skill. Take a moment to reflect and encourage your children, and of course yourselves, to stop, take a breath, and relax.

We all experience a whole variety of emotions in any one day. Sometimes those feelings can leave us anxious, stressed, or overwhelmed. The purpose of the 'Be a star of your emotions' poster is to give everyone coping strategies to support their emotional health and wellbeing. It encourages them to shine a light on their feelings by taking time to:

\*Stop \*Take a breath \*And \*Relax

If your child is experiencing any mental health concerns, please contact the PSM or Tutor, where support can be arranged. Place 2 Be continue to support our students daily and offer Place to Talk and Place 2 Be sessions.

Groups of students have also been engaging in Mind and Mood programme. This aims to equip the young people with the knowledge, skills and techniques needed to help them manage their thoughts, feelings, and behaviours, allowing them to get the most out of their lives.



The Butterfly programme continue to deliver small group work with students. Working on - Self Esteem - Self Identity- Boundaries - Aspirations - Goals and Next steps. If you would like to talk to someone about seeking support please do call in and ask for ourself or child, please call in and leave your name. I will get back to asap.

Place 2 Be

## PROPOSED TIMINGS OF THE SCHOOL DAY

As we begin preparation for the new academic year, there is much to consider, and over the coming weeks, we will be sending you information to prepare for your child's return to school in September.

I am sure that you will be aware, from the press, of the recently published Education White Paper, which sets out the vision and expectations for education moving forward. One of these expectations is that every state-funded school should provide 32.5 hours a week of formal education.

The current school week at Stewards is 31.25, which is 15 minutes less than required each day. Having consulted with the Governing Body, we are proposing that to meet this new requirement, we will, from September, start the school day at 8:45am and that the Morning Prep session that is currently 15 minutes, will be extended to 30 minutes. The remainder of the school day will remain unchanged.

This additional time during Morning Prep will be highly beneficial to pupils, providing further opportunities for Personal Development through a variety of assemblies, Community Briefings, and other activities.

We welcome your views on this proposed change and invite you to send your responses to [mscholtes@stewardsacademy.org](mailto:mscholtes@stewardsacademy.org) by Monday 6th June 2022.

Kind regards,

Mark Scholtes

Senior Deputy Headteacher



AM Prep - 8:45 - 9.15

Period 1 - 9.15 - 10.30

BREAK - 10.30 - 10.45

Period 2 - 10.45 - 12.00

LUNCH - 12.00 - 12.30

Period 3 - 12.30 - 1.45

BREAK - 1.45 - 2.00

Period 4 - 2.00 - 3.15

PM Prep. - 3.15 - 4.00

(Identified pupils only)

MRS AVIS

As you are all aware, food prices are increasing for various reasons. Unfortunately, we are now in the position that we need to pass on some of these increases to our customers.

Most items will be increasing in cost, and due to supplier charges, some will be increasing more than others.

We intend to continue selling a varied choice of healthy food options, and will be ensuring that there remains a varied £2.25 meal option for those pupils on FSMs.

Thank you for your understanding in this matter and your continued

support.