

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

It's been a busy, and very enjoyable Spring Term at TALA. Our new big screen in the Dining Hall is allowing us to celebrate even more student successes and share even more wonderful student work. Next term will start with our Celebration Assemblies and, hopefully, celebrating some good progress from our Year 11 students as they receive grades from the mock exams they're finishing off this week.

We have invited several organisations in to school recently to review, audit and feedback on the things we are doing well, and areas we need to prioritise for further improvement – the student experience, and feedback from them, has been key in these reviews.

We will get a good rest over the Easter break, and I hope you do too, and then we'll return with the energy we need to continue to make TALA the place we all want it to be.

Enjoy this edition of our Newsletter, have a peaceful Easter break, and, as always, thank you so much for all of your support.



GENERAL SCHOOL NEWS

Shout – Drama Production

We are so very proud of the students here at Lanfranc who performed the play 'Shout' by Alexis Zigerman on Friday 22nd March at Peckham Theatre. To put on a production takes team work, dedication, resilience, creativity and bravery. The students who performed and those who made up the creative team put so much hard work into making the play a success.

Freyja Winterson, an Education and Community Associate at the Old Vic and a Mentor Director for National Theatre Connections Festival came to see the show and said that:

"This is an authentic, energetic and promising production of Shout."

Library

The re-opening of the library has been a huge success. Around **200 books** have been loaned already along with 11 library monitors carefully selected. **World Book Day** saw every student in y7 to y10 read a whole short novel, thanks to our amazing SLT readers.

KEY REMINDERS/DATES

Reminder: Safeguarding

Our number one priority at TALA is to keep your children safe from harm and ensure robust safeguarding procedures are in place. In a series of Assemblies recently, we have spoken to students about 'trusted adults' (who they can speak to if they have a concern) and our policy on searching students; and their rights and responsibilities relating to searches at school. The links have been sent to you via Edulink. Please do feel free to discuss this with your child, and contact us if you have any questions or concerns.

Key Dates:

Monday 15th April- Summer term begins for all years

Monday 6th May- Bank Holiday

Wednesday 15th May- New Y7 Parents' Evening (6pm-7pm)

Thursday 23rd May- Y10/11 Transition Evening (4pm-6pm)

HIGHLIGHT OF THE TERM

Our students performing **'SHOUT'** at Peckham Theatre!
Well done to all involved!!!

MENTAL HEALTH & WELLBEING

SEND Parents Workshop

The Write Time is running another round of their brilliant **"Take Charge"** programme.

The 6-week programme is dedicated to promoting family harmony for parents with young people who have special educational needs and disabilities (SEND) and offers a comprehensive range of **1-to-1** and **group support**, including mentoring activities and counselling.

They facilitate weekly **coffee mornings**, providing a safe and welcoming space for parents to gain knowledge and understanding of their children's needs and difference's and can also support with EHCPs, DLA and benefits support and advice to those who attend.

This programme has the potential to transform the lives of families in our community by empowering parents with essential relationship management skills, fostering positive family dynamics and open communication.

For more information or to book a place please email holliechisnall@thewritetime.org.uk or sukbahra@thewritetime.org.uk or visit the website.

TEACHING & LEARNING HIGHLIGHT

This term we have been focussing on the importance of talk in the class room, and the role talking plays in learning.

Research shows that structured talking within the classroom can really benefit students in processing their thoughts and making sense of their learning. Talking through their thoughts helps students before putting these ideas on paper.

Equally, structured talk for learning also plays a huge role in developing the confidence of learners. We structure talking opportunities so that all children can have their voice heard, through partner or group work.

'It's surely our responsibility to do everything within our power to create a planet that provides a home not just for us, but for all life on Earth'



EXTRA CURRICULAR

Art

Come along and get creative at Art Club every **Thursday** at **2:40** in **T07**.

Duke of Edinburgh

Students are half way through their training in preparation for upcoming expeditions. Well done to those students who have finished their sections and getting assessor's reports finished.

Sports Leaders

The sports leaders have been working hard again this half term entertaining primary schools in football festivals. The sports leaders have learnt how to organise competitions, how to coach teams and how to referee games. Next term we will be visiting primary schools and coaching their students to become sports leaders.

Basketball Trip

We were fortunate to be able to attend the London Lions play at The Copper Box Arena. It was a fantastic opportunity to see some high level basketball being played at a high level and a brilliant night at the Olympic standard facilities.

HOUSES

Skip Off Challenge:

A big well done to **Ismael 10KAS** for representing **Malala House** and for winning **1st place** jumping **174 times in a minute!** *Did you know the average is 100?!* **2nd place** was **Theo 10SAL** who represented **Attenborough House** and finally, **3rd place** was **Olamide 7CR** representing **Jeminson House**.

Well done to everyone who took part!

Team Attenborough has worked tremendously hard raising money for their chosen charity, **Mind**. Through various fundraisers, the House Representatives were able to win a whopping **£218.16**.

Next term, it's **House Jemison's** turn. Let's see what they decide... *Did someone say basketball challenge?!?!*

TALA Values Award

Over the Easter holiday read a book which is of interest to you and write a review (minimum 500 words).

CAREERS

This has been a successful term in regards to careers. March 14th was our annual Careers Fair for Years 8 -11. There were a large number of exhibitors who came and discussed their career paths with our students. The companies that visited us included Feel Da Beat Radio, Delta Capital, BDO, Deloitte and the Metropolitan Police. We are grateful to all the volunteers that took part and we are looking forward to 2025!

In addition to the Careers Fair, all of Year 9 have been fortunate to have a one to one careers guidance session with an independent careers advisor. This has helped them to make their decisions when choosing their GCSE options.

Unifrog has continued to be used successfully and we are impressed with the number of students that are logging their interactions they have through encounters with employers and various workshops they have participated in.

DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHT

Team Science:

The Science department is thrilled to see our students being focused, hardworking, and making the most of their school day.

Science builds curiosity and problem-solving skills, so the more pupils practice, the better they become in any field of study. Therefore, I urge you to ensure that your child completes further reading in Science by using revision guides or textbooks. They can become proficient in the content they've learned by completing practice exercises using workbooks.

Our **Year 11** students are completing their mocks and have made use of the resources available to them. They will be patiently awaiting their results that will be broken down for each student so they know the areas of development before the GCSE examinations.

Year 10 students are seeing the preparation work being done by the Year 11's and are shaping themselves to be the New Year 11 batch in a matter of months.

Year 8 and 9 students are making steady progress in their studies. **Year 7** students are now settled as secondary school pupils and are developing key scientific skills such as problem solving, practical skill which will carry them throughout their secondary school years.

MESSAGE FROM THE ACO

Well done on a successful term where targets for improved homework and attendance have not only been met, but have been beaten. Keep it up for your final term of year seven!



ATTENDANCE SHOUTOUT

Forename	Percentage
Muhammad Musa	100%
Leila	100%
Malakai	100%
Muhammad	100%
Abdulazeez	100%
Wania	100%
Gabriel	100%
Nadine	100%
Raya	100%
Harith Saood	100%
Leandro	100%
Pratheep	100%
Mohammed	100%
Heidi	100%
Emilly	100%
Chanele	100%
Bibek	100%
Maanuja	100%
Kymarni	100%
Joshua	100%

TUTOR GROUP OF THE TERM

7JED



CONDUCT SHOUTOUT

The students below have obtained the highest conduct points (Achievement Points - Behaviour Points) across the whole year group so far.

Muhammad	357
Mia	303
Wania	288
Radin	274
Avani	270
Sahla	268
Kaue Iker	267
Zain	267
Sameer	262
Afrin	260
Zerina Winnie	257
Oskar	257
Josh	254
Vladyslav	254
Abdullah	250
Leila	246
Mia	246
Layla	241
Sushant	238
Stone-Harley	236

YEAR GROUP KEY REMINDERS/DATES

Second Tutor Group assemblies commence after the Easter break

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MESSAGE FROM THE ACO

Year 8 have had a busy half term, completing workshops and having sessions with London's Emergency services. It has been wonderful seeing our students take more care and pride in their attendance and academic progress this half term.



ATTENDANCE SHOUTOUT

The students below have obtained the highest attendance across the whole year group so far.

Haris	Ibrahim
Yash	Hakimah
Arianna	Insaaf
Vadden	Tharun
Serghei	Amanda
Eduard	Volodymyr
Yassine	Abegail
Manuel	Coco
Ayush	
Allanzar	
Sherwin	
Emmanuel	
Fortune	

TUTOR GROUP OF THE TERM

Conduct:
8LCA!

Attendance:
9JAU!



CONDUCT SHOUTOUT

The students below have obtained the highest conduct points (Achievement Points - Behaviour Points) across the whole year group so far.

Haris	Ahmed
Ananthan	Olivia
Andrew	Kelvin
Yash	Eduard
Yathushagini	Laura
Jyoshna	Mustafa
Samiah	Yassine
Ishaq	
Artem	
Arianna	
Vadden	
Serghei	

YEAR GROUP KEY REMINDERS/DATES

The Money Charity Workshop
The Savvy consumer
25 April

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MESSAGE FROM THE ACO

It's been so lovely this term to get the chance to meet lots of Y9 parents at both Parent's Evening and Options Evening.

It's great to see the year group start to get serious about GCSEs starting soon, and think about their future.



ATTENDANCE SHOUTOUT

The students below have obtained the highest attendance across the whole year group so far (still at 100%!)

Sofia	9HBU
Raymond	9JRE
Richmond	9DHU
Mohammed Eesa	9DAL
Jordan	9DHU
Amir	9JDE
Fareed	9JDE
Payal	9HBU
Rushi	9HBU
Edsila	9JRE
Faisel	9FOS
Shai	9HBU
Tomiwa	9DHU
Ashvindh	9FOS

TUTOR GROUP OF THE TERM

9JRE

Well done 9JRE for making improvements on your ATLS this term and consistently excellent line ups! 😊



CONDUCT SHOUTOUT

The students below have obtained the highest conduct points (Achievement Points - Behaviour Points) across the whole year group so far.

Payal	9HBU	394
Kenoli Lineeza	9HBU	316
Rushi	9HBU	290
Hayley	9FOS	276
Fareed	9JDE	273
Liam	9DHU	269
Beatrice	9FOS	254
Ashvindh	9FOS	240
Shai	9HBU	229
Summer	9HBU	228
Daniyal	9DAL	227
Natalie	9DAL	226
Kacey	9HBU	226
Abira	9FOS	222
Marcel	9HBU	222

YEAR GROUP KEY REMINDERS/DATES

17th April – Celebration Assembly

Confirmation of GCSE options choices in June.

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MESSAGE FROM THE ACO

Well done on completing another successful term of Year 10. Many of you have shown great drive and determination towards preparing for your upcoming mock exams in the Summer term and have also secured fantastic work experience opportunities.



ATTENDANCE SHOUTOUT

The students below have obtained the highest attendance across the whole year group so far.

Jemimah	10TKI	100%
Thierno Jibril	10PAM	100%
Muzzamil	10KAS	100%
Abdal	10TKI	100%
Manal	10PAM	100%
Beckham	10PAM	100%
Lindsey	10PAM	100%
Adnan	10PAM	100%
Ordain	10SAL	100%
Md Ratin	10PAM	100%
Kishor	10KAS	100%
Makayla	10SAL	100%
Bentley	10TKI	100%
Gwen Ama	10TKI	100%
Kelly	10SAL	100%
Kanyese	10SAL	100%
Sana	10PAM	100%
Shujah	10TKI	100%
Kiara	10TKI	100%
Adebayo	10KAS	100%

TUTOR GROUP OF THE TERM

10TKI
2100 conduct points this term – well done 😊



CONDUCT SHOUTOUT

The students below have obtained the highest conduct points (Achievement Points - Behaviour Points) across the whole year group so far.

Pedro	10DMA	657
Aslam	10SAL	652
Jemimah	10TKI	504
Nii Amaa	10DMA	453
Kiara	10TKI	449
Zaviyar	10KAS	444
Kaia	10DMA	435
Theo	10SAL	418
Kelly	10SAL	413
Bentley	10TKI	409

YEAR GROUP KEY EMINDERS/DATES

- Work experience Unifrog deadline **Monday 15th April.**
- Year 10 Celebration Assembly – **Thursday 18th April**
- Transition Evening – **Thursday 23rd May**
- Y10 Summer Mocks – **End of June**
- Work Experience - **1st – 5th July**

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MESSAGE FROM THE ACO

Congratulations on completing your last set of mock exams! Remember, these mock exams are not just assessments but value learning experiences that will help you prepare for your GCSE exams! Let's keep the hard work and momentum up!



ATTENDANCE SHOUTOUT

The students below have obtained the highest attendance across the whole year group so far.

Neelanjani A	11SBR
Michael D	11VOG
Mahtab H	11FDE
Max M	11FDE
Gedeon N	11SBR
Kivuila Divavila P	11AKO
Sanoshan S	11CHO
Aarush S	11VOG
Aravindh S	11VOG
Kacper W	11AKO
Keren-Ann Y	11AKO

Best tutor group!

Congratulation
11FDE – 682
conduct points
this term!!



CONDUCT SHOUTOUT

The students below have obtained the highest conduct points (Achievement Points - Behaviour Points) across the whole year group so far.

Fabiana V	11AKO	132
Siejaye H	11AKO	128
Ieva V	11FDE	114
Kacper W	11AKO	108
Mahtab H	11FDE	105
Janoyan K	11FDE	105
Katie S	11FDE	103
Princess J	11AKO	102
Serena L	11AKO	101
Levin S	11SBR	101
Jafil Ishaq J	11AKO	99
Giada-Lorena M	11FDE	99
Reece A	11FDE	97
Tanush P	11VOG	97

YEAR GROUP KEY REMINDERS/DATES

GCSE exams start next term! Full calendar to be published soon.

Prom – 5th July

Deadline for leavers hoodie: End of April

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