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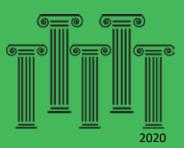
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News and Events Academic

Universities identify The Canterbury Academy as 'best Partner school' in the area

We are very lucky that as a Trust we have in Canterbury two outstanding Higher Education establishments, Canterbury Christ Church University and the University of Kent. Over the years, and in particular the last three or four years, our relationship and collaboration has significantly strengthened. This has changed so much so that in all areas of engagement we have been identified as the best participatory school in the area. In essence, what this means for all our students is that we are the school(based on Kent and Christ Church's many partner schools) that provides most for them in terms of campus visits, taster days, intervention in bespoke subject areas and most importantly encouragement to aim high and succeed in studying at university. We are very proud of these achievements and grateful to our two local universities for the opportunities that they offer all of our students. Below are some figures and examples of the amazing array of events and support that Kent and Christ Church have offered us and continue to provide.

2014- 43 students applied for a Higher Education place through UCAS 2019-158 students applied for a Higher Education place through UCAS

In 2018-2019- over 50 separate events/visits/sessions were offered by Canterbury Christ Church and University of Kent (on average more than one a week)

In Term 2 some examples of how we worked with the two universities:

- Politics event for Years 12 and 13
- Mock Law Trial for Year 12
- Year 8 Book writing project for six weeks
- Child Care study day for Year 12
- University Library visit and membership for Year 11
- EPQ research and guidance lecture and campus visit for Year 12
- Forensic Science visit for Year 7 and 8 science club students
- Sociology Lecture and exam guidance for Year 12
- Year 10 English Intervention to support early exams





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University delivers programme of English lectures at the Academy and on campus

As part of the Academy's ongoing collaboration with the University of Kent we have been lucky enough to schedule six undergraduate lectures for our Year 12 and 13 English A level students. This is a very exciting and ground-breaking exercise whereby we begin to show and give students the opportunity to experience university-style learning whilst still at school. The first lecture on pre-1900 poetry and how it can be studied took place at the end of Term 2 at the Academy and this was followed up by a lecture on the University campus in Term 3. This visit encompassed a campus tour, an introduction to the library's special collection on World War One publications and a first-year lecture on Shakespeare. This is a relationship that we want to develop and allow more subject areas to be part of and broaden the university collaboration.



Girl Power at the Polls

Last term we proudly reported that in the Kent County Youth elections we had four of our students stand for election in the county-wide Youth Parliament. We are delighted to announce that all four have been successfully elected and will now serve as Kent County Youth Councillors. It is particularly pleasing that we succeeded in more than 1000 students voting from Years 6-13 in the election. It is also really reassuring in a climate where politics and politicians have come under a lot of national scepticism that we were the school in Kent that achieved the most votes. So, well done to our elected candidates and our electors. Below are the names of the county candidates that now represent the Canterbury district and some of the issues that they included in their manifestos.

- Alisha Taylor- Year 12
- Ella Scarr- Year 11 (second successful term as a councillor)
- Ruby Harwood
- Layla Denness Maurer





Stewart Ross Canterbury Academy Trust Author in Residence

Year 8 read parents their stories

We are acutely aware of the importance of reading and literacy in our school and the need to ensure all our students can always express themselves well and have a strong command of the English language. With that in mind we have a very wide programme in the school of literacy support, both in and out of lessons.

One of very exciting and successful support programmes for literacy has been Stewart Ross's role as our author in residence. This year is Stewart's second year of working with us across the whole Trust. He has already this year completed a book project with Years 5, 6 and 8. This term the focus will be Year7.

To celebrate the success of the Year 8 book publication on Friday 17th January we invited Stewart, parents and the Year 8 book authors to read parts of their chapters to parents and staff. This was a fantastic evening of celebration and progress for the Year 8s. It was an evening with very proud parents and teachers and confident and literate Year 8s.

Coming up Term4

- STEM Week
- Oxford University Trip Year 10 and Year 12
- Year 12 Canterbury Christ Church University visits
- Year 7, 8, 9 and 10 campus visits to the University of Kent
- Author in Residence Book days for Year 7

- Year 7 and 8 Build a
- Student workshops with Kent University
- Year 6 Author in Residence celebration at The Canterbury Primary School

News and Events Excellence in Sport







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Sports Awards News

Chelsea and England footballer, Fran Kirby, presented the prizes at The Canterbury Academy Trust Sports Awards on Tuesday 11th February. A record number of students were officially recognised for their hard work and dedication to their sport in the previous academic year. The event was superbly supported by some of our key partners including Lifestyle Fitness, The Marathon Sports Foundation, Canterbury Christ Church University and Canterbury Rugby Club.



Cross Country Excellence from Two Canterbury Academy Students

Two of our best runners have performed brilliantly in county cross-country events this winter. Year 10 student, Jamie Keir, won the under-15 Kent Cross Country championships at Brands Hatch.

This adds to his successful winter in the county league which he won in December.



Oliver Scott was also successful. Ollie competed in the under-13 boys' race and finished second. Both boys will be representing Kent at an inter-counties cross country race in March. Both of these students train regularly with Invicta East Kent Athletics Club and receive additional support from the school in the form of access to specialist training when their schedules allow it.

Marathon Fundraising Effort



At the end of Term 2, one of our specialist sport mentor groups took part in an endurance task to raise money for additional sports equipment for The Canterbury Academy Trust. The group ran, cycled and rowed for a total of 26 miles alongside their mentor, Mr McCue. They finished with four laps of our athletics track to complete the task and received fantastic support from parents and staff.

Charlton Athletic Football Club Scholarship for Daniel Oni

Year 10 student, Daniel Oni, has been awarded a scholarship with Charlton Athletic. This is an impressive achievement for Daniel and is a reward for the dedication that he has shown to his football since he began playing.



Canterbury Academy Sports Partnership Infant Agility Success

Over 200 primary school children took part in a specialist indoor agility competition organised by The Canterbury Academy Sports Partnership on Tuesday 28th January. 19 schools brought teams to the event with Blean School, Canterbury Primary School and Bridge and Patrixbourne School claiming the top three places.

News and Events Extended Services

Children's University 2020

Dates for next term's Children's University: Saturdays 7th, 14th, 21st and 28th March 2020.



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Community Week 2020

Following our incredibly successful Community Week in July 2019, we are now planning our 2020 Community Week. Last year we renovated a community garden; revamped the Pilgrim's Hospice outdoor space; baked treats for the emergency services; did random acts of kindness; held 8 beach cleans and amassed more than 4000 hours of community social action around Canterbury.



This year we want it to be even bigger. Do you know of any good causes, charities, organisations, local groups and individuals who could do with some willing volunteers?

Heads of House and School Council

Send project ideas and contact details to headsofhouse@canterbury.kent.sch.uk

Royal Shakespeare Company touring productions

Pupils, families and staff of The Canterbury Academy enjoyed discounted tickets to the recent tour to the Marlowe of Measure for Measure, The Taming of the Shrew and As You Like It.

The Canterbury Academy is a Lead Associate School with The Royal Shakespeare Company and The Marlowe and so we were able to offer this exclusive discount, making world-class theatre affordable.





The Canterbury Bike Project

is working to improve the life chances of young people and help in the community. We are proud to offer the following services:

- Free bicycle safety checks
- Low cost servicing and repairs
- Wheel building
- Low cost bicycle sales
- Free basic bicycle maintenance workshops
- Community bicycle rides
- Fully qualified and certified mechanic

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News and Events Practical Learning and Enterprise Education



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Canterbury Skate Project Pitches for 3K Tycoon

The Canterbury Skate Project Sixth Form students had an opportunity to pitch their ideas for potential investment to start their business. They will have to trade over a 5-week period and be entered into the national competition for further funding. The students gave confident pitches and showed great entrepreneurial flair.







Girls Skate project

On Wednesday 29th January 2020 Canterbury Skate Project hosted their second Girl Skate Project in partnership with Sk8side Ashford. The event is to encourage female skateboarders to try skateboarding in a safe and non-judgemental environment. Skateboarding has always been inclusive of its participants and that is something we pass on to all our skaters. Last night included female skaters from Canterbury, Ashford and Whitstable, where all learnt new tricks and made new friends.

Erasmus Visit

We had 46 visitors from our partner school as part of the Erasmus project visit us for a week and participated in different activities including reading and acting some of The Canterbury Tales.



We had sixth formers and former sixth formers join us to help with the activities throughout the week.



Photography Workshops with former student

There were two full day workshops with previous Sixth Form student Jana Grigleonite, delivered to the Year 11 and Sixth Form Photography students. The students worked on darkroom processes (Year 11) and digital image retouching to industry level (Years 12/13).

Terry Smith Photography Workshop

We had the world-renowned photographer Terry Smith and his printer Richard Taylor join us for a private talk about Terry's life's work. Terry gave the students invaluable advice and showed them a personal catalogue of images which had been printed by Richard Taylor. Richard then spoke about some printing methods, both digitalising analogue prints and analogue techniques, inviting students to attend his local printing shop to further expand their darkroom skills in the art of traditional retouching.

British Design Centre

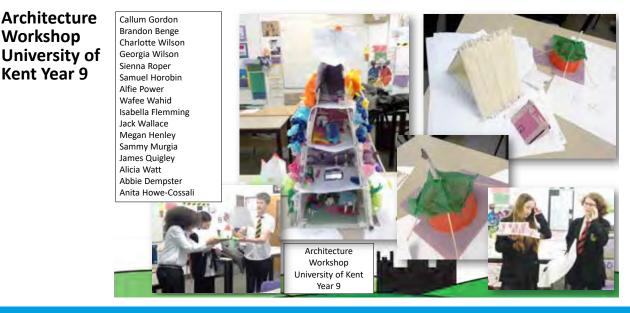
A group of Sixth Form Photography students visited the British Design Centre to visit the art fair. They had an opportunity to see some exceptional pieces of art. The students learned about particular artists and themes.



UCA Textiles Trip



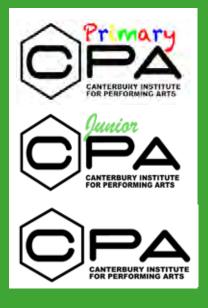
The GCSE and A level students got to visit UCA Rochester for a visit to inspire and lift the lid for the possibilities of further education. They had a creative career talk, campus tour and free lunch. All students enjoyed the day.



Coming up

Hotel, Restaurant and Catering Conference London Excel 3^{rd-5th} March Erasmus Trip to Latvia 22nd - 28th March Tycoon Competition window 24th February – 24th March Erasmus Trip to Czech Republic 19th - 25th April

News and Events Excellence in Performing Arts





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Matt Walker, from our Musical Theatre programme has been offered an unconditional place at the renowned Bird College. He was offered a place on the spot – something almost unheard of – as they were so impressed with not only his talent but his fantastic attitude.

The Addams Family

Olivia Laing has completed another amazing performance playing Wednesday in 'The Addams Family' at the Theatre Royal in Margate. She is turning into a real seasoned performer and we couldn't be prouder of her.



Other students, Cassia Pollard, Daniel Pugh and Harmony Scott have all been successful in gaining places at Emil Dale Academy on the Musical theatre degree course. Absolutely amazing achievements all round.



Sixth Form Acting Academy students, Lewis Dempsey and Robyn Ives performed at the Marlowe Theatre foyer before the RSC performance of Measure for Measure. They performed their Shakespearean monologues and were congratulated on their professionalism and confidence.





An epic turn out for The Addams Family auditions today. It's not too late to join us. Shows at The Gulbenkian on 7th and 8th July.



We have performances galore coming your way....

Auditions for this year's summer show 'The Addams Family' are on Tuesday 11th February. We hope to see hundreds of our students there and promise that it will be a show to remember. Performances will be at the Gulbenkian Theatre on 7th and 8th July; see you there.



News and Events School Lottery

SHAPE UP





- Start supporting TODAY for only £1 a week
- Buy a ticket this term and you could WIN £25,000
- 40% of ticket sales goes to our school
- There's a **GUARANTEED** winner every week
- It only takes a couple of minutes to buy a ticket
- You can make a BIG DIFFERENCE to our school

To start supporting, visit: www.yourschoollottery.co.uk

and search for: The Canterbury Academy



For more information please contact: Rebecca Huckle rhuckle@canterbury.kent.sch.uk



Your School Lottery

Hello all,

As we're nearing the end of another term, we wanted to take the opportunity to update you about our school lottery.

Our lottery has been set up specifically to raise money to make a difference to our schools and children by continuing to provide 'as much as possible, for as many as possible, as often as possible'.

- You can get involved <u>here</u> for just £1 a week.
- You have helped us raise more than £8700 since the lottery started.

What can you win?

- The more participants we have the bigger the guaranteed weekly prize fund is. Currently it stands at more than £30.
- Entry in to a national weekly jackpot of £20,000.
- Play before 21st February for a chance to win a Fit Bit Family bundle (see below)!

What have we done with the funds raised so far?

- We use funds on things we would otherwise not be able to afford to do.
- The Canterbury Primary School has painted new playground markings for break and lunch activities.
- At The Canterbury Academy, our school council has used lottery proceeds to launch recycling across the site, with facilities in every classroom and office from the start of term 4. This makes us more sustainable and provides opportunities to educate our pupil body about environmental actions, as well as saving money on waste disposal.

What do you think we should do with the funds?

- Do you have a project you'd love to run that we can't afford to run?
- Is there a pupil/group you know would benefit from some additional resources, opportunities, etc.
- Email <u>rhuckle@canterbury.kent.sch.uk</u>, <u>dwellard@canterbury.kent.sch.uk</u>, <u>frich@canterbury.kent.sch.uk</u> with your ideas.

To start supporting, visit:

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And search for:

The Canterbury Academy Trust

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are pleased to announce that we will be offering

30 hours of free early education and childcare

at both our Canterbury settings from September 2017. This is an extension of the free early education and childcare entitlement for eligible 3 & 4 year olds from 15 hours to 30 hours a week.

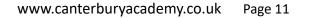
The additional 15 hours will be available to families where both parents are working (or the sole parent is working in a lone parent family), and where each parent earns, on average, a weekly minimum equivalent of 16 hours at national minimum wage or national living wage, and earns less than £100,000 per year. An eligible child can receive this entitlement from the academic period after their third birthday until they start reception class at school.

This will initially run as a trial for a limited number of places, so please call us for eligibility

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criteria, to arrange a tour of our settings or book your place.

The Canterbury Academy Trust Schools for all the Talents



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Schools for all the Talents



Sixth Form Open Evening Wednesday 11th March Arrive 6.30 pm for a 7.00 pm start



In partnership with Simon Langton School for Boys to provide grammar school band for boys and girls in a comprehensive school for all the talents



