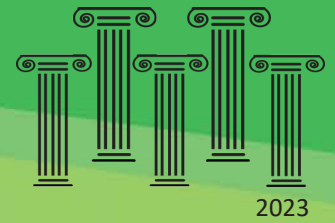


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A picture tells us a thousand words- This term's newsletter is a pictorial celebration of what the Academic pillar has offered in Term 4.

Brilliant Club Graduation

At the end of the Year 9 students' three-month course in becoming more academic and writing a 2000 word essay on the nature of Renaissance painting, we were delighted to celebrate this amazing achievement with a graduation event at King's college, University of London.



Year 10 scholarship students prepare to deliver

Building on a year and a half of the scholarship scheme, the pupils in Year 10 were supported by Kent academics on their presentations for June. The pupils will report on the five career areas that they have been researching. The group has now been split into specific areas around Languages, architecture, law, medicine and engineering. We look forward to their findings.



Cambridge Roadshow



As part of our commitment to our aspirational year 12 students, we will offer them a series of university-based talks and visits to assist them in choosing the direction of study they desire as well as the appropriate institution. We kicked off the year's events with an excellent talk from first and second year

students from Queens' college, Cambridge. It was great to hear our students engage with these prestigious institutions.



Year 8 Languages Day

Term 4 saw the first languages collaboration day with The Langton Boys this year. They spent an exciting afternoon at the Academy presenting on different cultural gems in Europe. We hope to build on this understanding of linguistic importance in Europe by putting together a host of Languages trips for our students.



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Waterstones Wonders

As you will have seen reported in our previous newsletters and by the Year 7 pupils themselves, we have succeeded in the last two terms to take all of our 239 Year 7 students to our local Waterstones bookshop, give them a guided tour in how to pick different reading genres and gifted them their own book. We are very excited about their positive response and will build on this literacy support later in the year.



Year 11 work with Langton peers to reach grade 9 in maths

As part of our close collaboration with The Langton, the Year 11 students at the top end of our maths groups spent an afternoon together, working through difficult questions for their upcoming GCSEs in maths. With the benefit of two teachers and the different skills set of these top sets they all learnt a lot for the examination season.



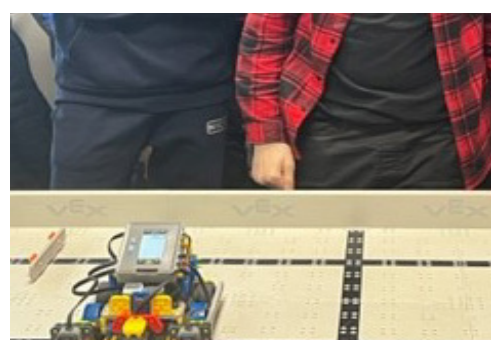
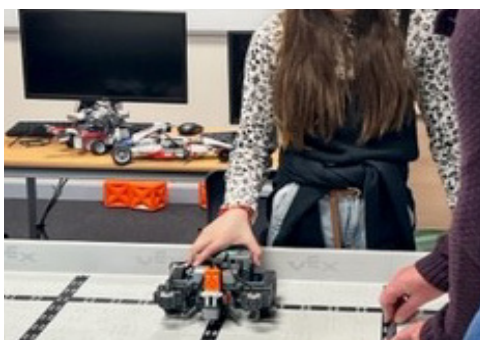
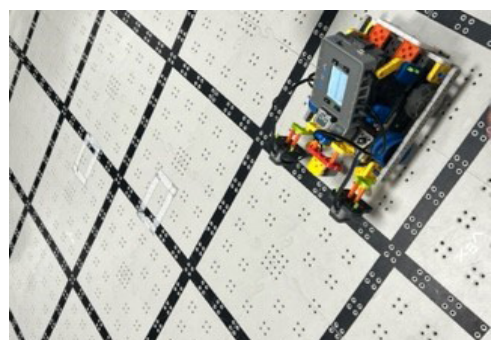
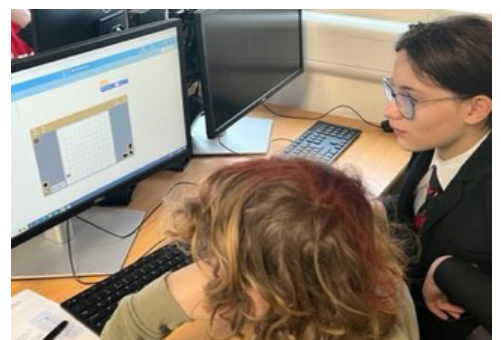
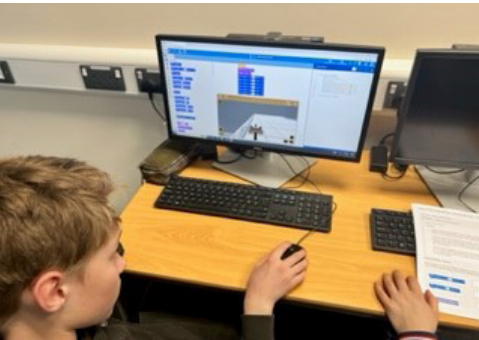
Library, Library, Library

With the opening of our new look library at the Academy we really would love as many books as possible to be handed into the school. We are very keen on as much fiction as possible. If you feel you can donate books please do contact us directly either via reception or to me at ffox@canterbury.kent.sch.uk



Year 7 Robotics Day- In conjunction with The Langton Boys School 15 of our keen Year 7 students joined them for a Vex-robotics day. Following on from the success of this day and the demand from the pupils we will be looking to set up a regular robotics club at the school. Watch this space!

ROBOTICS WORKSHOP



Sports Awards

Our annual Sports Awards took place at the end of term 3 and we were able to recognise the incredible achievements of many students. Prizes were awarded for performances and progress in the previous academic year. Year 13 student, Jamie Keir, won the overall sports personality prize for the outstanding progress he has made with his distance running. The success of The Lionesses in the summer of 2022 was reflected in recognition for Mia Dixon, Grace Steadman, Demi Sampson and Romilly Evans who are four of our most committed female footballers. We were able to recognise our senior cricket squad for their 2022 national and county success and there was a special prize for head football coach, Bryan Taylor, who led our Sixth Form team to county cup success in 2022.

Spring Success for Canterbury Academy students.

Year 12 student, Chloe Link, competed in the Spanish European Cadet Cup for judo on the European Tour which means she can start gaining points for world rankings. Chloe was selected by England Judo to represent Great Britain at this event, and she is trying to gain her place at the Youth Olympic Games being held this year. Chloe is now ranked eighth in the world for her age group and could have risen even higher if it had not been for a serious arm injury in the final. She is recovering from this injury now, and we wish her well in her bid to regain full fitness.

Sports mentor group student, Demi Sampson, has been referred to the England Lionesses Talent Football Pathway after being recommended by the Kent FA and she will be monitored over next season. She will also attend FA Talent ID Events as a potential future Lioness player for the 2024/25 season when she becomes an under 15 player. This is a referral made by the Kent FA where Demi attends an Emerging Talent Centre and is an initial step on a long journey. It's great recognition for Demi for her commitment to her football.

Jamie Keir and Ollie Scott both competed in the English Schools Cross Country Championships at Wollaton Park, Nottingham, on March 18th. Kent did extremely well amongst the 45 county teams taking part. The boys' teams finished second in all three age categories, meaning Kent retained the Overall Boys Team Trophy for a fourth consecutive year. Jamie came fifth in his race, and this means he is very likely to be selected for a Home Countries International event later this year.



In another distance running competition, Lucy Steer represented Kent in very tough conditions in Tonbridge. Although she did not place, Lucy can be proud of her achievements, and she was also recognised for her commitment to sport at our recent Sports Awards events.



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Nordic Ski Touring Expedition for Alex Jobe

One of our year 11 students, Alex Jobe, has an incredible challenge on the horizon. Exercise Telemark Challenger is the Army Cadets 2023 Premier Adventurous Training expedition. This exercise is a 14 day Nordic ski touring adventurous training expedition combining a Heroes of Telemark battlefield study and takes place in the Telemark region of Norway over two weeks in April. Stage one consists of a 7 day Nordic ski touring training package that will provide the participants with the personal, team and leadership skills required to make an unsupported crossing of the Hardangervida following in the footsteps of the Heroes of Telemark which was a daring sabotage raid made by Norwegian resistance fighters in World War Two.



The next phase involves a five day self-sufficient Nordic ski touring journey crossing the Hardangervida (Northern Europe's highest mountain plateau) following the route taken by the saboteurs using individual pulks (a type of snow sled) and dog sleigh teams to move the expedition equipment.

The final stage takes place on the eightieth anniversary of the original mission and Alex will spend a day studying the history of Operation Grouse and Gunnerside which were the official code names for the Heroes of Telemark missions. The expedition will retrace the route and re-enact the assault, visit the Vemork Hydro Electric plant and museum and then depart using the saboteurs escape route.

Alex has been chosen as one of only sixteen cadets from around the country to take part in this challenge and this will also count as his gold Duke of Edinburgh expedition.

Crusaders Excel Home and Away

Our Sixth Form basketball team made the national quarter finals before losing to one of the strongest sides in the country, Myerscough College. The team had finished fourth in the elite academy southern conference which included wins over Ipswich, Reading and Hertfordshire. The boys, who started their preseason in August, have worked extremely hard to put themselves in this position, training every day, putting in extra hours and combining that with their studies.

Former Canterbury Academy student, Elliot Bailey, who left us to attend Carleton University in Canada on a sport and academic scholarship, has just graduated and won his third national championship. Elliot starred in the championship game and scored 21 points to help his team complete three consecutive national titles.

Middle school students, Josiah Thompson, Ali Usman, and Ruben Constance were all selected to attend a Super South Region camp that brings the best 20 basketball players for their age together from across the whole of Southern England. The boys represented themselves very well and get some great feedback.

Finally, our head coach, Adam Davies, has been appointed as the U18 England head coach for a home nations tournament in April. Adam has worked with national teams before, but this will be his first time leading a team and we wish him and his team the best of luck for the competition.



Climb on board with Canterbury Academy Sports Partnership

The Canterbury Academy Sports Partnership teamed up with Chimera Climbing Centre and piloted some indoor climbing events.

The sessions were an amazing success with 14 schools bringing 84 children over the two weeks. The children had the opportunity to compete against themselves and climbed in all areas of the fantastic indoor facility. The reaction and enjoyment from all the children who took part was clear to see and demonstrated how climbing can be inclusive for all. A big thanks goes to Tim and his coaches at the climbing centre who organised and delivered the sessions amazingly.



In other primary school news, 184 children represented their schools amazingly at our annual indoor sports hall athletics event this term. Congratulations to Blean for winning the event, Bridge for coming second and Chartham third.

Hundreds compete in extra-curricular sport at The Canterbury Academy

Well done to all students who have represented the school this term in the numerous matches we have played. It has been an incredibly busy term with netball, rugby, basketball, and football games taking place virtually every day of the term. This sort of commitment to after school sport requires an incredibly dedicated team of teaching and coaching staff so thank you to the Physical Education department and specialist coaches we have working for us.

Some of the highlights included our Sixth Form football side being crowned as champions of their league and the involvement of several of our older girls in a new netball league being held at our sports centre on Monday evenings. Every year group has been involved in sport fixtures and we have handed out over thirty debuts to students who had never played school sport before demonstrating our commitment to providing opportunities for as many students as possible.

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PE and Sport AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Term 4

2022 -2023

Day	Club and Year Groups	Staff	Venue and Description
Monday	Netball (7 - 11)	Coach	Sports Hall - games and coaching
	Netball 6 th Form (4.00 pm to 5.00 pm)	ABR and Coach	Sports Hall – games and coaching
Tuesday	GCSE PE Practical Support (10and11)	ABR	Sports Hall
	Basketball (7 - 10) (Boys and Girls)	Kent Crusaders Coaching Staff	Sports Hall - skills and games. Players must wear trainers.
	Girls' Football (7-11)	BNU	MUGA – Football Boots and Shin Pads needed
	District Football Fixtures	PE	Inter-School District Cup
	Rugby (7 - 10)	JLU	Back Field
Wednesday	Very Inclusive Programme (VIP Sport) (7 – 11)	NDA	Sports Centre. Range of activities including bench ball, boxercise, boccia, indoor curling, spinning and table tennis
Thursday	Cricket (Year 7)	PRE	Sports Hall – games and coaching
	Gymnastics (7-9)	NDA	Sports Hall – skills and routines
	District Football Fixtures	PE	Inter-School District Cup
	BTEC Sport and GCSE PE Support	ABR and BNU	Room 8. Support sessions for students in KS3 and 4
Friday	Badminton (7 – 11)	MSU	Sports Hall - skills and games. Players must wear trainers.
Extra Information	Canterbury Academy students can also use the Lifestyle Fitness Gym facilities if they sign up for an exclusive teen membership. Please go the sports centre reception for more details or call 01227 766 352 There will be chances to represent the school in a variety of sports this term. Check with your PE teacher about these opportunities.		

News and Events Excellence in Performing Arts

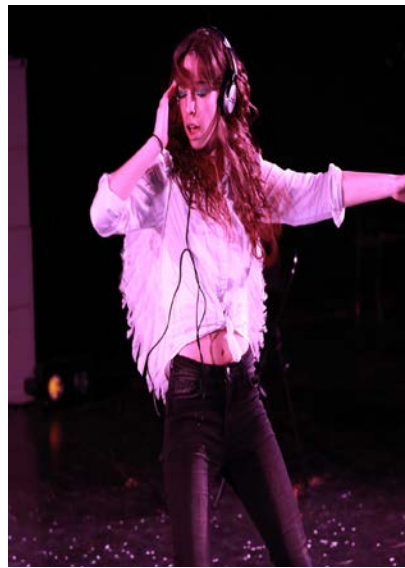
Performance 'Round-Up'!

What a busy term we have had! We have had three wonderful shows this term; with students representing the entire Trust from Year three all the way through to our elite sixth formers!

'Afterlife' at The Canterbury Academy, 21st-23rd February 2023

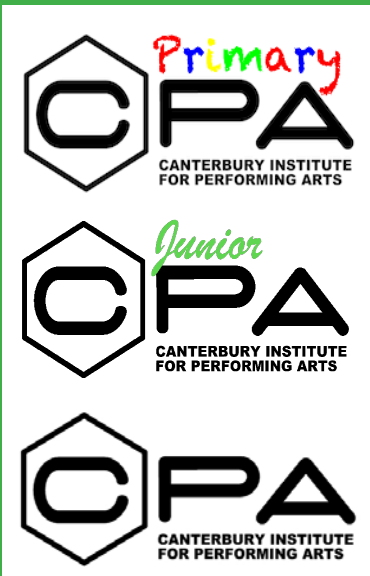
Our sixth form Acting Academy's show 'Afterlife' was performed at The Canterbury Academy's Black Hole Theatre from 21st – 23rd February.

After Life was set in a holding bay between life and death, where the recently deceased had a week to grapple with the question: if you could spend eternity with just one precious memory, what would it be? It's a tricky decision, but all passing souls had to choose just one highlight from their life, to be recreated like a movie still by a team of 'guides', in order to move forward into the afterlife.



'Head Over Heels' at The Gulbenkian Theatre, 1st-3rd March 2023

'Head Over Heels' is a brand-new musical, direct from Broadway, featuring the hit songs of The Go Go's. It features usurped kingship, unlikely lovers, singing sheep and gender-fluid disguises - a real comedy of errors, with a contemporary twist. The students performed to standing ovations at The Gulbenkian Theatre and were absolutely outstanding!



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'Matilda' at The Gulbenkian Theatre

7th-9th March 2023

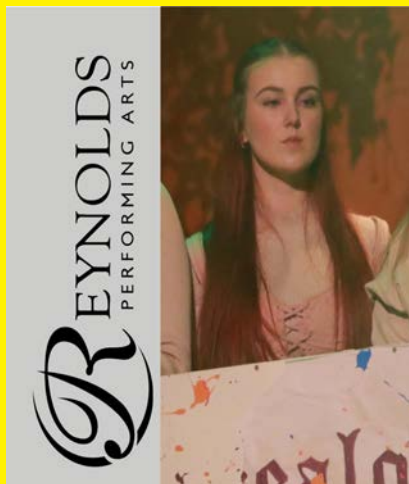
Our fabulous PIPA (Primary Institute of Performing Arts) and JIPA (Junior Institute) performed their socks off in Roald Dahl's Matilda The Musical JR. on 7th, 8th and 9th March 2023 at The Gulbenkian Theatre.

With over one hundred and twenty of our young people, aged between 6 and 14 they, performed to sold-out audiences across the four performances. Feedback has been amazing and we are so, so proud of each and every one of you!



Fabulous Castings and News!

Our amazing sixth form cohort have been busy auditioning for drama schools and their destinations are unbelievable! Check these names out... we can't wait to hear what comes next for you all – we couldn't be prouder! Guilford School of Acting, Trinity Laban, Bird College, Italia Conti, East 15, Arts Ed to name but a few!



Will, our Year 7 JIPA student, has been selected to perform in 'An Inspector Calls' this Easter holiday at The Marlowe Theatre. If you're going, keep an eye out for him! Break-a-leg, Will!

Upcoming Shows!

'The Canterbury Academy's Dance Show' will feature dance styles from across the world on Wednesday 19th and Thursday 20th April 2023 at 7pm in The Black Hole Theatre. Do come and support our wonderful dancers by booking tickets now via www.ticketsource.co.uk/canterburyacademy

Red Nose Day

The Primary School and Academy raised nearly £2000 for this year's Comic Relief Red Nose Day appeal. With bake sales, non-uniform days, fancy dress track runs and student challenges, pupils and staff came together to raise an incredible amount of money. Pupils at the Academy also learned about the charity and how our fundraising will help individuals through Comic Relief.

Thank you to everyone who supported this appeal.

Any late donations can be made to our [JustGiving page: https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/rednoseday23-the-canterbury-academy](https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/rednoseday23-the-canterbury-academy)



Communities Week

We are starting to plan for this year's Communities Week, running from Monday 17th – Thursday 20th July. Every year this week of outreach enables our pupils to give back to our community in a variety of ways. Previously pupils have baked goods for the blue light services; refurbished the garden of a hospice; litter-picked local beaches; delivered PE activities for primary pupils; performed for the elderly and so much more.

We would love to hear from our community about where we can help.

To suggest an organisation to be considered as one of our activities, please email headsofhouse@canterbury.kent.sch.uk



Architecture Success

A group of Year 9 students have been working hard on a five-week project with University of Kent lecturers and students. This culminated in their architectural designs and models being displayed at The Beaney House of Art & Knowledge in Canterbury. The lecturers were so impressed that the work will now be displayed in their final exhibition in the summer and the students have been invited to attend a 3-day project.

Careers Extravaganza

Careers Fair for KS3

Our year 7 and 8 students have had their careers fair and were lucky enough to have OSG Architects, Burgess Hodgson and two alumni students, Canterbury Christ Church sports and health and their ambassadors, NHS apprenticeships, Canterbury College, Catching Lives, Army and Navy and education people attend the event. Students engaged with the providers and asked questions.



Sixth Form Mock Interviews

We had the Blean Rotary Club providing our Sixth Form marketing and public service students with mock interviews, we also had STEM ambassadors representing pharmacy and medicine and Network Rail and NHS colleagues who helped interview and gave the students feedback. The students valued the experience and enjoyed the opportunity.



RAF and Border Force Workshops

We have been fortunate to have the Border Force and RAF deliver workshops to students who are wanting to pursue careers in this industry. They were totally engaging and gave the students the opportunity to find out more about roles within these sectors.



National Apprenticeship Week

There was a fantastic range of activities and workshops during lunchtimes and core lessons around apprenticeships and looking in to different sectors of the industry. We had providers attend from Kent County Council providing talks and lunchtime drop-in sessions.





The babies have been exploring and creating with the paint for the Holi Festival.



LITTLE TADPOLES



Our Little Tadpoles group
at City View will be on:

Every Wednesday

(Term time only)

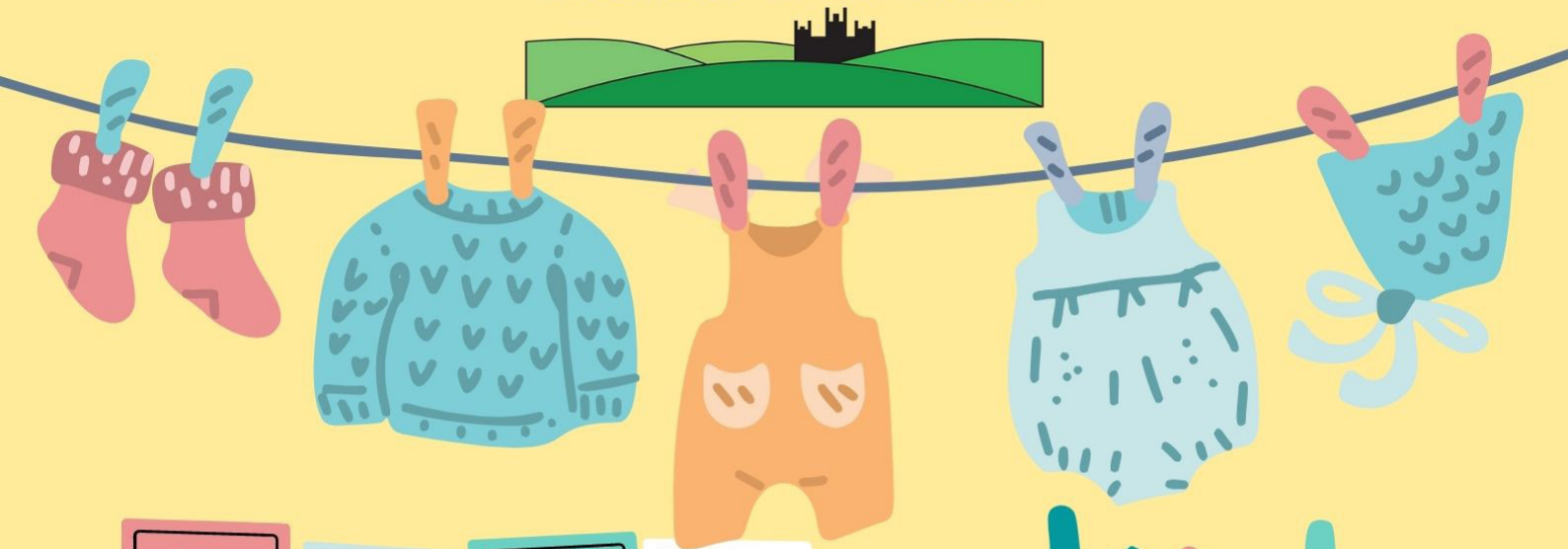
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We would love to see as many of
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