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Message from the Principal

As we come to the end of another academic year, there's much positivity to celebrate. Last week, we held a fantastic Award Ceremony at Genesis Cinema, attended by many high-profile guests who inspired our pupils. Among the distinguished attendees were the Speaker of Tower Hamlets, Cllr Saif Uddin Khaled, British former professional boxer Julius Francis, and Shah Kamali, a London-based Bangladesh-born MMA fighter. It was wonderful to see so many parents join us in celebrating our students' achievements.

We were also honoured to host Taiwanese guests on an exchange program for two weeks. They learned the English language and our British values, and our students took great care of them. We led our guests on trips to iconic sites such as Tower Bridge and the Natural History Museum. We are proud to have hosted our international guests and shared our culture with them.

Our Sports Day at Mile End Stadium was a huge success, with boys and girls participating in numerous athletics track and field events. The staff even joined in the fun, and the weather was in our favour. Additionally, all year groups enjoyed end-of-year reward trips to Thorpe Park and Chessington, while our Year 8 students visited Windsor Castle to explore the rich history of British culture.

We also had an excellent celebration of Somali culture, with pupils performing, presenting, and sharing food from their Somali heritage. As you can see from our newsletter, careers and preparing pupils for life after school is always a priority for us. I am extremely proud of our students and our dedicated team of staff. I eagerly look forward to the next academic year.

Ashid Ali
MA (Ed), NPQH, FCT
Principal



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End of Year Award Ceremony 2024



Achievement in education was high on the agenda as the London Enterprise Academy held its student awards ceremony on Monday 15th July 2024. The eagerly anticipated event was held at the Genesis Cinema in Mile End this year. Keynote speaker, Councillor Saif Uddin Khaled, Speaker of London Borough Tower Hamlets, Barrister Nurul Huda, Jewel Choudhury CEO J4Security, Julius Francis, former European heavyweight kickboxing champion, Khalid Ali, welterweight boxer, Shah Kamali, MMA fighter.

They gave student's motivational speeches and shared their career journey. Spoke about being ready for AI, the Metaverse, and ChatGPT, all of which will transform education. Pupils were recognised and rewarded for their achievements in education, attainment, civic responsibilities and excellence in sport, and this year's Principal Award, which was given to Suraia Bhuiyan

The Principal, Mr Ali commented, "Today is about celebrating the achievements of our pupils and our dedication to our young people. "Education is an important part of a much bigger picture at London Enterprise Academy and we work extremely hard to ensure that our students not only graduate with excellent grades but also as first class citizens. "To this end our pupils share food with people facing hardship, clean the neighbouring streets and share books and toiletries. I thank all my staff for the tremendous work they put in to help the children. Well done to everybody and I wish you all a very good summer break." Another excellent awards ceremony made possible by the amazing LEA team and our brilliant students.

Mr Mikdad

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LEA PROM *Class of 2024*

On the 4th of July, Year 11 celebrated their Prom night on the Tereza Joanne boat. Despite the rain all week, the weather took a turn for the better and the sun was out shining, giving the students a scenic night near the London City Airport. The students and staff were dressed in their best clothes and they all entered the boat with smiles as they got ready to enjoy one of their final evenings together with their peers.

During the Prom, students, staff and guests enjoyed a buffet as a part of their meal while they were entertained by our two exceptional hosts, Taharia and Berkay. Berkay spoke about his memories at LEA and encouraged the Year 11s to recall the best times throughout their years together. They presented students with awards before Mr Ali went on stage



to give his speech where he congratulated the students and wished them well for the future. Teachers were also given awards, including Ms Siddiqah who students voted as Best Staff Member. Before finishing, our hosts also announced our Prom King and Queen for the evening - Ehsan and Radhiya!

Later on, staff and students took pictures alongside the beautiful view from the roof of the boat. The rest of the evening included a big cake and both staff and students showed off their dancing skills.

We will miss our Year 11s very much and look forward to seeing what they get up to after LEA.





Somali Celebration

Monday 8th July 2024

In the evening of Monday 8th July 2024, we as a school hosted our annual Somali Cultural Celebration. The event took place in our lunch hall from 4:30 up until 6pm. A large number of Somali parents were invited to attend the event, in the pursuit of celebrating the great Somali culture and heritage. In the invitation, we requested parents and pupils to come dressing up in their national attires, which many of our pupils and parents rightfully did so. As a result, we as a school got to experience the essence of Somali culture and were very much engaged in celebrating their heritage together. This demonstrates how London Enterprise Academy puts diversity and inclusion at the school's heart.



Our guests Councillor Saif Uddin Khaled, Speaker of London Borough Tower Hamlets, Doctor Jaed Hussen, Barrister Nurul Huda, were welcomed with drinks, while many of our students' participated in a number of performances ranging from dancing, to recitation as well as performing poetry. All the attendees of the event were then served food – traditional Somali cuisine, followed by some desserts. Together, everyone shared the delicious food, and enjoyed their evening commemorating their heritage.



As cultural heritage is the foundation to one's identity, our Somali parents were very profound of this event and were very happy.

Miss Shanjida Haque





Q – Factor

As part of our annual celebration, London Enterprise Academy hosted Q-Factor on Wednesday 10th July 2024. There were a number of students involved in the event where they carried out various performances ranging from Qur'an recitation to nasheeds. The students involved were Adyan and Sulayman from year 7, Imtiaz Ali from year 8, Sumaya and Aaliya from year 9, and Yusuf Miah, Mustafa and Zayd and Abdirahman Farah from year 10.

The welcome speech was delivered by Mr Ali, followed by special guest recitation from Ahmed El-Sayed. Quran recitation was delivered by Yahya Shuaib in year 7 and teacher recitation was carried out by Maahir Bharadia.

Altogether it was a very knowledgeable event and we thank everyone for attending.

Miss Shanjida Haque

WORK EXPERIENCE

20 of our current year 11 students were selected for the British Card to carry out their first ever work experience in a number of fields, ranging from corporate, to law, accountancy and IT. On the 9th of July, our students visited their work experience site and had their first taste of how the real world of work is. Their week long work experience is set to commence on the 22nd July and will last until 27th July. We wish our year 11s the very best of luck and we hope they have a good and enjoyable time.

Miss Shanjida Haque



International visitors from Taiwan

On Monday 1st July 2024, a group of 34 students, two teachers and 1 tour guide came to London Enterprise Academy from Taiwan as part of their study tour. The students are aged between 15 and 16, and are from Yang-Tze High School. The international trip has been organised by an association which is Kingsford Community School, located in Beckton. The association also organised the students' accommodation, where a group of 3-4 students stay with each host families, in the Woolwich area. The main purpose of this international visit is to learn the English language as well as the British culture, and living with host families allows the students to understand the British culture better. In a conversation with I-Ping, the tour guide, she conveyed that what made our international visitors choose LEA is its great location of being located close to central London.

I-Ping states that her first impression of the school was the small size – how every part of the school is preoccupied with learning materials and is in use. She believes that very positively, the small size of the school also reflects the family-like aspect of the school, where everyone is known to one another, making every pupil and teachers feel their voices heard, along with a sense of comfort and belonging. I-Ping further positively reflects on the hospitality of the teachers – she sees a sense of passion in the teachers, as they actively engage in the students' learning and very deservedly

reward them too – by arranging trips for the students, which I-Ping finds impressive! All of these aspects altogether makes I-Ping and her fellow colleagues think that students in LEA seem happy and are very fortunate, as other countries do not provide students with the same facilities as the UK does. She also states that the free breakfast and lunch provided at schools in London is very delightful, which is not provided in Taiwan. In Taiwan, the English language is taught in the American style and therefore the students struggled to understand the students at LEA. However, overtime, by more interaction, the international students have improved their English speaking and are now able to understand words and phrases.

I-Ping is very thankful to Mr Bilal Ahmad and Dr. Ali for arranging a number of trips for them, such as the trip to Greenwich, the Natural History Museum, as well as accommodating them with sightseeing of various key London locations – such as the Big Ben, London Eye and the Tower Bridge.

I-Ping thanks London Enterprise Academy and would definitely recommend the school to other international visitors!

Miss Shanjida Haque





On Monday, July 1st, our visitors from Taiwan arrived to meet our LEA students, who are known to be warm and inviting towards guests, and to get their first taste of London. Instantaneously, following the initial encounter with their companions, the international guests were made to feel welcome and established friends with one another.

Tours and excursions to places such as Tower Bridge, the Natural History Museum, Hyde Park, Greenwich, a private cinematic experience, and Westminster have been among the activities that they have participated in all during the first week. In addition to the frequent visits, they have participated in classes with our pupils and have established constructive relationships throughout.

They participated in excursions with Dr Ali and myself to the historic cities of Cambridge and Oxford over the course of the weekend. During these visits, they exhibited outstanding manners, conduct, and respect for the people they encountered.

Our London Enterprise Academy students and staff have all had a wonderful time participating in the hosting of the visitors, which has been an enjoyable experience for everyone.

Mr Bilal Ahmed



Safeguarding

We would like to signpost students, parents and carers to the following support in Tower Hamlets over the summer break, in addition to our own summer school activities.

Ms Helen Cleary



LEA Graduates

This summer, we are delighted to tell you that as London Enterprise Academy turns 10 years, the school has got its first set of graduates. Many of our students have enrolled at sixth form and colleges after graduating from our school, and then enrolled at universities. Now, we have a number of First-class graduates, such as Zerin, Mizan and Shanjida. We as a school are very proud of our students and we want our current enrolled students to take inspiration from our very first cohort. They are the trailblazers and the role models the school is proud to have. We wish our first year graduates the very best of luck with their future endeavours!



Portsmouth Trip



On Wednesday 3rd July the year 11 students visited Portsmouth, a coastal city along the south coast of England. They visited the Blue Reef Aquarium firstly, which is a local conservation site for marine plant and animal species.

They then got to explore the medieval sea fort built by Henry the 8th, as well as the brand new sea defenses which are currently the largest coastal management scheme in the UK.

This was of particular interest to the ex-Geography students on the trip, despite exams having finished and the students being in full summer mode. The students then got free time to explore the beach, the arcades and enjoy time with their friends along the coast.

Despite it being July, we truly experienced the best of British weather in the rain, wind and cold. The staff and students still showed that resilience that is embedded in LEA life!

Ms Jenny Hoper



Year 11 had an eventful week last week as some of the students had the opportunity to go to Portsmouth on Thursday for a lovely day out. The students got to visit the Portsmouth aquarium before they enjoyed the rest of the beach and fresh sea air. Some students also spent some time in the Arcade.

Staff enjoyed their time too as they got to walk near the shore, climbed rocks and got some down time while the students got to spend one of their last days together at LEA.

Ms Madinah Siddiqah





Windsor Trip

Friday 5th July saw 47 of our Year 8 students embark on a journey around the Royal County of Berkshire to the historic town of Windsor.

Our journey started with a royal wave from King Charles on the motorway, on his way to meet our new Prime Minister Sir Keir Starmer.

Throughout the day the students were able to embark on a boat trip down the River Thames soaking in the sights of Windsor town centre, Eton College and the local wildlife. We explored Windsor Castle itself and students enjoyed their free-time on the Long Walk. The weather held off all day to allow for a fun filled day of British history and exploring areas outside of London.



Ms Jessica Brighton

Trip to Windsor Castle

The trip to Windsor Castle was a very fun and educational trip where we learnt about the history of Windsor on the historic boat. We then had a stroll on the long wall and walked around the Windsor Castle. For me, the highlight of the trip would be the fact that I saw the King on the way to Windsor because he was going to London to appoint the new Prime Minister from his Windsor home. This is a trip I will never forget. Big thanks to Ms Brighton, Ms Bonalfi and Mr Rahman. Thanks!

Abdirahman Farah, Year 8L



Trip to Windsor Castle

At Windsor, we saw lots of historical landmarks like Windsor Castle. We also saw the infamous long pathway which led to the gateway of Windsor Castle. Firstly, we got off the coach and waited in a nice park with a view of Windsor Castle. Then we went to take a boat ride on the River Thames. There were lots of ducks and swans and the sun was shining. Then we took a five minute walk to the long path where we had our lunch and had a great time. Then we visited the gift shop and then headed back home to London.

Avir Jahid, Year 8D

Sports

Lee Valley Kayaking and Water Sport

A smashing two days at Lee Valley White Water Centre with 60 Year 9/10 Girls and Boys. The students took part in both Kayaking and Paddle Boarding sessions aiming to master two new sports and learn integral water safety skills. It was amazing to see some of the students overcome their fear of the water, especially learning how to fall into the water and not panic...trust in the life jacket.

Both groups over the two days, were flawless in their effort and behaviour. Two very sunny and warm days allowed for a lot more splashing and them to gain revenge on their Head of Year Mr Goni, taking many tumbles into the water!



Sports Day

Sports Day took place at Mile End Stadium, where participants represented their respective houses. Each event awarded points to the top five positions: 5 points for the winner, 4 points for second place, 3 points for third place, and 2 and 1 point for the 4th and 5th positions, respectively. The weather was sunny, both students and teachers enjoyed themselves. Lunch was provided, and parents were welcome to attend and support their child.



Shadwell Basin

Year 7 and 8 boys and girls undertook two fun-filled days at the local Shadwell Basin. 60 students across Wednesday and Thursday enjoyed Bell-boating, canoeing and climbing with the instructors thoroughly impressed throughout.

The girls powered through all weather elements on the water and on the climbing wall, with some fantastic team work and guidance from Zaynab Hussain (Year 8) and Sakeenah Mansur (Year 7). The boys spent more time in the water than on the boat, but again encouraged continuously throughout. A fantastic finish of Aazhmet Chowdhury showing us his confidence in the water.



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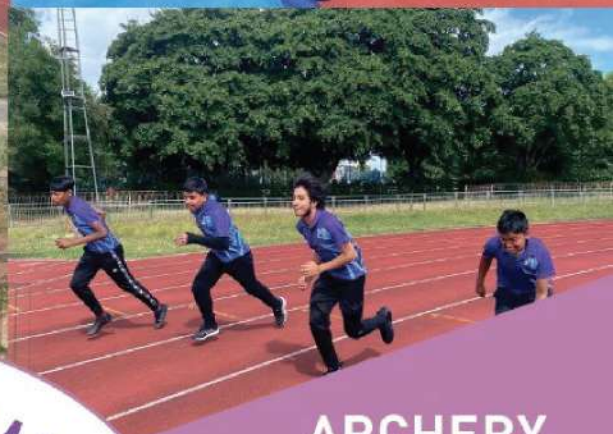


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SUMMER SCHOOL 2024 FOR PUPILS AGE (8-14)

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LEA INDOOR VENUE
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22th July to 9th Aug 2024
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