# Centre Academy London



Dear Staff, Students, Parents and Carers,

We have managed to avoid the snow and wind this year and are all looking forward to the longer days of summer. The Spring Term is when many students begin to consolidate new skills, and for some it marks the beginning of preparation for summer exams or graduations.

Staff have also taken time to review this term and begun preparations for the 2019-2020 School year! You can find the term dates for this on the website and also at the back of this newsletter.

As part of that review process, we have decided that this will be my last Half-Termly Head of School message. We will be moving to a weekly Week Gone/Week Ahead format – this will mean that communication is both more frequent and more timely.

This term my highlight has been the engagement of some of our more reluctant readers with our Readathon. Raising money for ill children in hospitals has encouraged some of our students to discover what it is they enjoy reading – whether this is manga, car magazines, poetry, novels or non-fiction. For those of our students who have not yet discovered the joy in reading, I would encourage them to see their English teacher, Mrs Fisher or me – and we will help find something to inspire them.

I would finally like to wish everyone in the Centre Academy London family a restful and spring-full Break.

### Rachel Maddison





# **Upcoming Dates**

### **Summer Term**

### First day:

Wednesday, 24<sup>th</sup> April 2019

### **East Soar Residential Trip:**

Monday, 29<sup>th</sup> April to Friday, 3<sup>rd</sup> May

#### Half-term:

Monday, 27<sup>th</sup> May to Friday, 31<sup>st</sup> May 2019

#### Last day:

Friday, 5<sup>th</sup> July 2019

# Seasonal Picture Winner

Our winning contestant, Sophie contributed not one but three beautiful pictures showing 'Spring Beauty'. Well done Sophie.

We are now looking for pictures to include in our newsletters through the summer term.

If you take any pictures that you feel show 'Spring' or 'Summer' please pass these on to Trish.



### **Newsletter Changes**

From the Summer Term we will be changing the way we run our newsletters. At the moment we feel that one newsletter each half term is not the best way to keep in contact. We are therefore going to be sending through a Week Gone/Week Ahead every Friday. This will have both highlights from the current week and information about upcoming events. We hope that this will help ensure that parents/carers are better informed about key information. This will be sent through by email to keep down unnecessary paper usage, so please ensure you have provided us with up to date contact information.



# 'Read for Good Readathon'

Our school is participating in the 'Read for Good Readathon' project where students are encouraged to read. Students obtain sponsorship from their family and friends, the proceeds of which help to fund storytellers and reading books for children who are very ill in hospital and cannot attend school for lengthy periods. This is a very worthy project and, as usual, our students, their family and friends responded with very generous donations!

Thank you very much to everyone who supported this excellent initiative!

A special word of thanks to Miss Maddison's mother who provided a collection of books and generous sponsorship for our school – much appreciated!

Keep reading everyone!

### **NOTICES:**

# **Cyber Safety and Mobile Devices**

Included with this newsletter is a letter from Miss Maddison, this discusses concerns regarding communication between students on mobile phones/devices. In order to support parents/carers with the difficult area of cyber-security and how to promote safety online, we will also be doing a parental/carer information evening in the summer term.

# Term 2

And the winner is ......WANDLE!!







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This term – Wandle – had their efforts rewarded with a pizza party at the end of term.

### **Art Fair**

The Art Fair this year will take place on 20<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> June. We invite parents, carers, family members and friends to visit the Art Fair and vote for their favourite piece on display!

We will have winners in different categories and the prizes will be presented at the Sports and Prize-giving Day at the end of the Summer Term.

We look forward to seeing you there!

## **Summer Events**

### **East Soar Residential Trip**

Monday, 29<sup>th</sup> April to Friday, 3<sup>rd</sup> May

#### **Art Fair**

Thursday, 20th to Friday 21st June

#### **Science Fair**

Friday, 21<sup>st</sup> June (Details and judging times to follow)

### **Sports Day & Prize Day**

Friday, 5<sup>th</sup> July (Battersea Ironsides Cricket Club)

# <u>East Soar</u> <u>Residential Trip</u>

Our annual residential trip this year will once again be to East Soar Outdoor Education Experience, which is situated on a National Trust farm in South Devon. This will take place from Monday, 29<sup>th</sup> April – Friday, 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2019. We will travel by coach to East Soar and have 4 nights' accommodation in the onsite bell tents before returning to the School on the Friday.

The annual residential trip has been a fixture on the Centre Academy London calendar for over a decade. The trip provides an opportunity for teachers and therapists to work alongside professional instructors to support our students personal and social development needs. It also allows development of independence and new skills the students may not normally have readily available to them. One of the optional activities on offer for the students during the week will be Sea Kayaking. This is run by fully qualified instructors with all the appropriate safety equipment.

For those new to the School you can find out more about the nature of the site and those in charge at the following website: <a href="http://www.eastsoaroutdoorexperience.co.u">http://www.eastsoaroutdoorexperience.co.u</a> k/schools groups

### CA LONDON ACADEMIC YEAR 2019/2020

Whilst every attempt has been made to publish dates accurately, the school reserves the right to change these dates should it be necessary to do so

### **AUTUMN TERM 2019**

Inset day: Monday 1st September – Tuesday 3rd September 2019

First day: Wednesday 4th September 2019

Half term: Monday 21st October to Friday 25th October 2019

Last day of term: Friday 13th December 2019

### SPRING TERM 2020

Inset day: Monday 6th January 2020 First day: Tuesday 7th January 2020

Half term: Monday 17th February to Friday 21st February 2020

Last day of term: Friday 27th March 2020

### SUMMER TERM 2020

INSET DAY: Monday 20th April 2020 First day: Tuesday 21st April 2020

Half term: Monday 25th May to Friday 29th May 2020
Inset day: Friday 26th of June 2020 (Graduation)
Last day of term: Friday 3rd July 2020 (Sports Day)

Inset days are staff training days and students are not in school on these dates.

The last day of the Summer Term is the CA London's Sports' Day and Prize Giving to which all parents and carers are invited.

