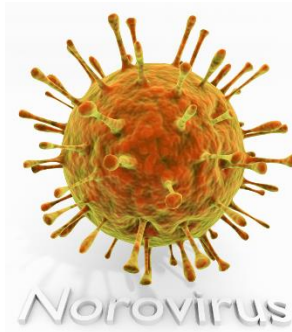




## Week Gone/Ahead – 5th November 2021

Centre Academy London (CAL)

Dear Parents/Carers, Students & Staff,



Autumn is without doubt my favourite time of year and this week we have had some glorious autumnal days with bright sunshine and a sharp drop in temperature. The downside of this change is that we are prone to coughs and colds and other nasty bugs. Please feel free to send in your child who may have a mild cough or cold but any sickness or diarrhoea, the student must remain at home until 48 hours have passed from the last symptom. This is to ensure that the virus does not spread.

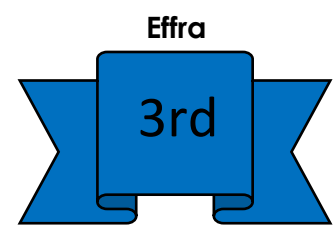
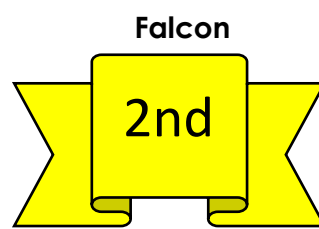
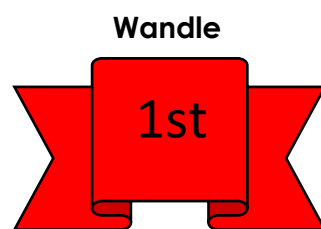
### Covid-19 injections

We are offering the chance for our younger students 12+ to be vaccinated on the 10<sup>th</sup> November. If you wish your child to be inoculated, please remember to complete the online form giving permission for the NHS staff to administer the vaccination to your child. Please complete this before the day. I have included a link that provides more information that can be found on the National Autistic Society website. [Information about coronavirus vaccines \(autism.org.uk\)](https://www.autism.org.uk/information-about-coronavirus-vaccines)

If you would like support in encouraging your child to have the vaccination, please let us know and we will support them on the day.

Please continue to test your child for COVID-19 using the LFT kits we have sent home. We have had very few cases and fortunately, they have not originated in our school. The staff continue to test regularly, check that tables are cleaned between lessons and that hotspots are regularly cleaned throughout the day. Remember the maximum number we can have is **5 cases** before we revert to extreme measures.

### House tokens and Kindness award



Well done to all our students! Come on Falcon and Effra, you were so close this week.

### Students of the Week

Alfred	Mentor & Maths
Dimitrios	Science
Faris	Maths
Fabian	ICT
Marianna	ICT
Dionte	PE
Farren	Theatre
Jason	English
Farren	Science
Lauren	Science

Oliver	Maths
Jack	Maths
Kurt	ICT
Joe	General & Science
Jack	Art
Zack	Maths
Dylan	Maths
Kurt	Humanities
Joe	Science

Julie	Perseverance
Noah	PSHE
Ethan	Maths & Science
Evan	Current Affairs & PSHE
Jules	Humanities
William	Film Studies & Science
Simone	History
Ravi	Humanities
Arun	English
Jake	Maths

## Head of School Award

William

A hard-working student who always tries his best and is making good progress.

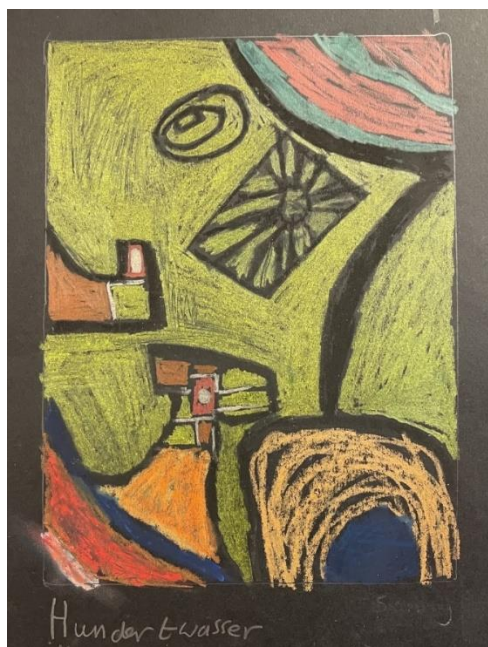
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“Do things for people not because of who they are or what they do in return, but because of who you are.” – Harold S. Kushner

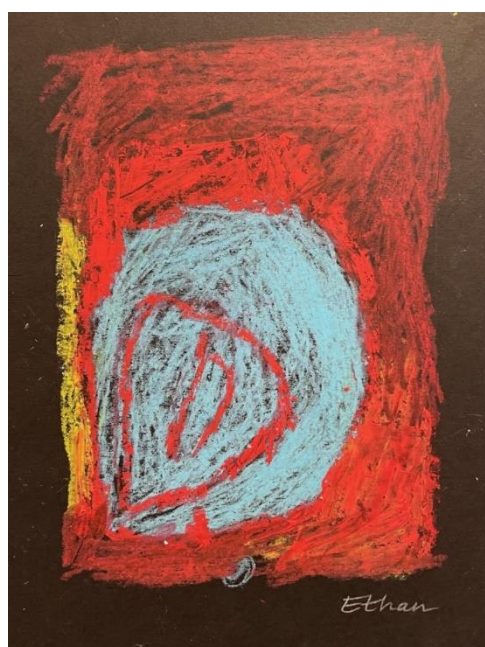
### Gallery

This week students have completed work with Mrs Schwartz based on the artist Hundertwasser.

*“A major part of the effect of Hundertwasser's painting is colour. Hundertwasser uses colours instinctively, without associating them with any sort of symbolism, either traditional or self-invented. He prefers intense, radiant colours and loves to place complementary colours next to one another.”*



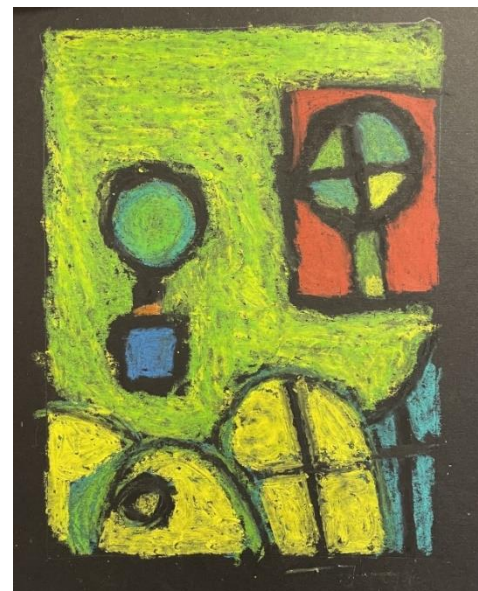
Sonny



Ethan



Margi



Jaylie

## **Staff Spotlight – Mrs Leonie Fisher, English.**

I was born in Cape Town South Africa and grew up during the apartheid era. This meant that I experienced racial discrimination and oppression as part of my everyday life growing up in South Africa. As part of the systemic racism strategy, the former South African government used education as one of the tools against non-white South Africans. This is what enabled me to recognise the power of education, and it became profoundly important for me to acquire an education and achieve academic success.

Upon completing my secondary school education, I was fortunate to secure a placement at the University of the Western Cape, the only university for non-white South Africans at the time. I pursued a teaching qualification not by choice, but because it was one of the very few career pathways open to me as a non-white South African. I obtained a BA degree at the University of the Western Cape.

My teaching career spans over three decades, having taught in South Africa, South Korea and currently in England. Whilst teaching in England, I developed a keen interest in special education and subsequently switched from mainstream teaching to special education. I completed a Masters degree in Education, with dyslexia as one of my specialisms. As a dyslexia specialist, I have AMBDA accreditation and I am a professional member of the British Dyslexia Association.

I find teaching in special education profoundly rewarding and deeply enriching. I enjoy helping to make a difference in the lives of the young people I teach, especially in the context of making the curriculum accessible to them. The student voice is also very important to me, thus when the GCSE English reforms were implemented, in 2015, it inspired me to undertake doctoral study. I am currently in my final year of PhD study. My thesis title is Exploring the impact of the GCSE English reforms through the voices of students with dyslexia.

In addition to all of the above, I am married and have two adorable children. My daughter is at university and my son is doing his A Levels.

## **Bonfire Night**



Enjoy your Bonfire Night celebrations but please do take care. Have fun but keep yourself safe.



## Christmas Card competition – a message from Mrs Yar

**Calling all artists at Centre Academy! Get your drawing pencils and colouring pens out and take part in the Christmas card competition!**



It is that time of year where we all start thinking about Christmas and we are so excited to revive the Christmas card competition this year which is open to all students.

This competition is for to students draw a Christmas themed card and then Dr Rollo, who will be the judge, picks out a winner from all the entries. He chooses a winner and a runner up. The lucky winner has their card printed for them to take home and we use the winning entry as the official CAL Christmas card. The lucky runner up receives a voucher.

### Squid Game

It has come to our attention that some of our younger students are watching "Squid Game" which you can find on Netflix. Please see attached some advice for parents about the programme. The age rating for this programme is 15+.

### Parent feedback



Please continue to email us at:

[Londonschool@centreacademy.co.uk](mailto:Londonschool@centreacademy.co.uk).

Have a lovely weekend.

Kas Lee-Douglas  
Head of School