



ACADEMY
LANGLEY

Weekly Newsletter

HEADTEACHER UPDATE



— Mr. Fullwood, Mrs. Sharpe, Ms. Corker, and bolstered by Ms. Barker who has moved across from Year 7 this week. It also was the start of Cycle 3 for all of the school — where is the year going?

Mr. Sohail has issued a letter and accompanying video this week around our arrangements for Ramadan 2024. Please can families engage with the content in this communication, as we help support students take part in this important time of the year for so many. As ever any queries please make contact with us. Next week will also see our Pathways event on Thursday 7th March 2024 at 16:30-18:30 for all Year 9s and their families. As always, this is a market-place style event — you do not need to attend for the full two hours, but how long students spend here will depend upon how many Subject Leads you want to speak to!

On Monday at the end of the day, I ventured over to our Central Headquarters at the Rock Centre in Walsall to film a short video segment organised by our Trust Marketing Manager Mark Smith. I regularly post videos on our socials, but actually got to use an autocue facility for the first time — I think we need to purchase one of these here at Langley!

This week I enjoyed hearing about the delights of work experience at primary feeder school, Brandhall Academy, during a Time 4 Tea with Ti-Shuo Chen (10A1), Giovanni Singh-Sidhu (10L2), Ti-Yue Chen (10L1), Jessica Spencer (10L2), Lucy Cable (10L1) and Isabelle McVeagh (10L2). Mr. Dale also updated me about our final amount, £528.10, that we collected in Year 9 for the Trussell Trust. Some students went above and beyond and we want to recognise them. Well done to Dharam Mannan — 9L2 (£126), Oliver Shephard — 9S1 (£70), Katie Fasham — 9L1 (£150) and Jaipreet Sangha — 9C2 (£50) for their efforts — I will be meeting with them all on

Monday morning! I also had a Time 4 Tea with Jacob Hans (8A2), who has had a great start to 2024!

This week's winners of three Star of the Lesson awards in a single day are: Haider Ali (9C2), Alice-Mary Horton (10D2), Amar Hussain (7A1), Aaron Kalia (9L2), Anantdeep Kaushal (8L2), Amelia Martinova (8S1), Zeke Maynard-Robinson (10S2), Katyrebeka Okyne-Lath (9L1), Karamveer Sadhra (8S1), Daria-loana Udrea (7L2) and Nicole Wright (7D1).

Mrs. Wilson does a superb job in coordinating much of our Primary school outreach work, and again this week we hosted some children from our friends at Devonshire Junior School. I know we have a P.E-led event coming soon, and look forward to seeing more younger pupils at our site! In addition, we have hopefully received notification from Sandwell Council today regarding our September 2024 Year 7 intake. For any new families, we are hosting a New Intake Evening on Thursday 14th March 2024 from 17:00 onwards. Further details — as we are staggering the arrival times by surnames — will be released next week — keep an eye on our socials.

On Wednesday, although I popped in first to meet with a member of the team, I had the pleasure of accompanying our CEO, Dan Parkes, all the way down to Eton College to hear more about the exciting partnership between Eton and Star Academies. I am excited to find out more and see the potential to benefit our students in the coming years here at Q3 Langley.

On Friday we welcomed James Willetts from Sistra Analytics — the national leader in school data systems — as part of a filming day. It was wonderful to use our fantastic Academy, staff and students alike, to showcase how we use this platform, and I look forward to the final product in due course!

Well, we're into the weekend again — it's going to be a bittersweet one for me as my eldest son is off on a ski trip for seven days at his school. As ever, I am always grateful to all teachers who lead on trips — such as our Venice one in a few weeks from now!

Best wishes,

Peter Lee
Headteacher



STARS OF THE WEEK

Well done to our Stars of the Week, beginning 26th February 2024. They are:

Amelia
Zeb
7A2Amelia-Lilli
Price
7C2Kye
Smith
7D2Yuvraj
Virdee
7L2Anya
Ali
7S2Navdeep
Kaur
11D1

MENU FOR WEEK COMMENCING MONDAY 04/03/2024

Day	Meat	Vegetarian	Dessert
Monday 4th March	Sausage Casserole Baby Potatoes Green Beans	Roasted Vegetable Pasta Bake (V) Green Beans	Fresh Fruit
Tuesday 5th March	Cajun Chicken (H) Rice Coleslaw	Dry Aubergine Curry (V) Rice Coleslaw	Yoghurt Pot
Wednesday 6th March	Minced Beef Pie Diced Potatoes Peas & Carrots	Southern Baked Quorn Burger (V) Diced Potatoes Peas & Carrots	Fresh Fruit
Thursday 7th March	Roasted Vegetable Shawarma (V) Couscous Pickled Cucumber Salad Mint Yoghurt	Roasted Vegetable Shawarma (V) Couscous Pickled Cucumber Salad Mint Yoghurt	Yoghurt Pot
Friday 8th March	Margherita Pizza Chips Baked Beans	Margherita Pizza (V) Chips Baked Beans	Fresh Fruit

(V) Suitable for Vegetarians (H) Halal Meat. The menu is subject to change at short notice.

WHITE'S WALK-IN

Last week's White's Walk-In winner: Jacob Whitehouse (7A1).

Well done Jacob!

This week's White's Walk-In question is:

Did you know that our belly buttons house a multitude of different types of bacteria? Can you tell me how many there are?

A – 70

B – 67

C – 52

D – 48

Answers should be clearly labelled and returned to Reception by Tuesday 5th March at 3:30pm. A Mars bar or financial equivalent will be awarded for the winning entry draw. The Headteacher's decision is final in this matter.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Year 9 Pathways Evening

Thursday 7th March 2024

Parents' Consultation Evening 3

Thursday 21st March 2024

Easter Holiday

Monday 25th March 2024 - Friday 5th April 2024

Students return **Monday 8th April 2024** at normal times.**Year 11 Parent Briefing**

Monday 15th April 2024

INSET Day

Friday 19th April 2024



SAFEGUARDING NOTICEBOARD

1 in 5 adults experience Domestic Abuse during their lifetime. If you are worried or concerned about someone suffering this, please follow the below link for further help and support.

women's aid
until women & children are safe