

ACADEMY
LANGLEY

Weekly Newsletter

HEADTEACHER UPDATE



The Newsletter starts this week by going back to our hugely successful Open Evening (2026) – what a wonderful evening with over 1.5 K footfall, and standing-room only in our Performance Theatre for the presentations. The undoubted highlight – obviously apart from meeting so many new families – was being joined on the stage by former alumni (and now governor)

Brannon Fell – who still holds the accolade as the first student host of a Family Lunch! It was also wonderful to see our first Head Boy – Ben – alongside the rest of his family. Time surely does fly! Open Mornings have been a great success. Thank you to all our Year 9 Tour Guides, who have done an amazing job: Radhiya Kapoor (9A2), Stanley Beaman (9D1), Ava Guestford (9S2), Harshveer Maan (9L2), Avneet Shergill (9C2), Aisha Salam (9D2), Abdullateef Owolabi-Ademola (9A1), Matilda Okyne (9S2), Harrison Clarke (9D1), Marvellous Adekoya (9A1), Boris Ferrao (9L1), Carmen McLean (9C2), Harveer Hayre (9S2), Ella Horton (9A2), Lillia Evans (9S1), Freddie Gee (9C2), Zac Davies (9S2), Leilah-Milan Richards-Gordon (9L1), and Tommy Dhillon-Brown (9L2). Thank you also to Miss McQuilkin, Miss Pritchard, Mrs Robshaw, Miss Howe, Mrs Grove and Mrs Fogarty for all their running-around to ensure the mornings ran smoothly. A reminder we have put on an extra date – tickets were still available at the time of going to print – on Friday 16 October 9.00-11.00.

Our netball teams over recent years have grown and developed – a huge well done to all the girls and staff involved. And this week our U14s joined the U16s in winning the Sandwell tournament. This means they move to the County tournament after half-term – what an amazing achievement – well done to all involved – watch this space for further details. Well done to Kashae Robinson (9D1), Amelia Rose (9D1), Mia Fineschi (9S1), Alana Lawrence (9S1), Maya Kaur (9A1), Marvellous Adekoya (9A1), Abigail Oremade (8A1) and Zabel Eyi Mensah (9D2). I also had a T4T with some of our successful girls' footballers: Samantha Martinova (8D2), Amelia Poolton (8C2), Isobel Foster (8A2), Heidi Clewer (8C1), Frankie Barker (9S2), Alana Lawrence (9S1), Tia Wiltshire (9D1), Jessica Mahoney (9L2), and Amelia- Lilli Price (10C2). I also held a T4T with Amreet Rana (9L2) to discuss her ballet and tap exploits – wonderful to hear about! The winners of three star of the lesson awards in a single day are as follows: Evie Harris (7A2) and Ritvik Ritvik (10D2).

On Tuesday we welcomed a new member of our Trust – Kelly Moore – former Headteacher over with our friends at Windsor Academy Trust. It was great to connect – discuss and debate – with her and I look forward to working more closely as the academic year progresses. I also had to dash over to Windsor HQ as part of the plans for the West Midlands launch of the KS3 Alliance this week – we are really looking forward to this next week at Worcester University.

Mr Sabin organised a really exciting trip to RAF Cosford for some of our ACE students, and I know they came back enthused at what they saw and learnt. As a Head of History, I recall taking my GCSE students on a yearly basis – we are so lucky to have such a wonderful facility locally that I know so many families enjoy visiting all year around.

I managed to fit in a short radio interview with Rayo radio news – that features on stations such as Greatest Hits Radio this week after a call from a reporter. It highlighted what we have always known here at Q3 Langley – that increased screen time leads to poorer academic outcomes. It has been so pleasing to speak to so many prospective families who agree and subscribe to this viewpoint – I feel the tide is really turning.

Miss Rowson released the details about the application process for the Head Boy and Girl (plus Prefects!) posts for 2027. This is open to all Y10 students who, if successful, will serve for 12 months and experience a bespoke leadership programme in the role. This year, alongside their duties, the team have worked alongside the University of Northumberland and the University of Oxford on two exciting projects. They also spent a week down at Eton College as part of a summer school! I look forward to reading the applications in due course.

Finally, we welcomed a Film Crew from 'Step into Teaching' – who are the sponsors of the Pearson Secondary School of the Year Award – to the school this week. It was great to connect and showcase parts of the application – thank you to Miss Gilhooley – that led to our Silver Award. It was such a shame she wasn't here for the day.

Have a great weekend...

Best wishes,

Peter Lee

Headteacher



Well done to our Stars of the Week, beginning 28th September 2026. They are:



Wendy
Aroji
7A2



Reywin
Sharma
7C2



Harlow
Hay
7D2



Haadi
Faisal
7L2



Earan
Singh
7S2



Taavi
Bhusal
10A2

MENU FOR WEEK COMMENCING MONDAY 05/10/2026

Day	Meat	Vegetarian	Dessert
Monday 5th October	Beef Pork Sausage Mash Potato Onion Gravy	French Onion & Leek Macaroni Cheese (V) House Salad	Ice Cream Tubs
Tuesday 6th October	Chicken & Chickpea Korma (H) Carrot Rice Spiced Roast Cauliflower	BBQ Bean Sausage Casserole (V) Mash Potato	Chocolate Brownie
Wednesday 7th October	Mexican Beef & Nacho Pasta Bake	Aubergine & Tomato Pasta Bake (V)	Fresh Fruit
Thursday 8th October	Margherita Pizza (V) Oven Baked Wedges Peas	Margherita Pizza (V) Oven Baked Wedges Peas	Banana Bread Traybake
Friday 9th October	Battered Fish Chips Tartare Sauce	Cheese and Onion Slice (V) Chips Tartare Sauce	Shortbread

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

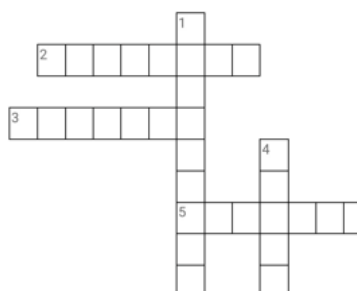


SABIN'S SCRAMBLE

Last week's Sabin's Scramble winner is: Dev Rai (7S1).

Well done Dev!

This week's Sabin's Scramble is:



- Across**
- Celebrities compete in a show hosted by Claudia Winkleman, Celebrity
 - A competition where celebrities dance with professional dancers
 - A popular baking competition show starting soon
- Down**
- A TV show where people are filmed reacting to other TV shows
 - No premier league this week due to International...

Answers should be clearly labelled and returned to Reception by Tuesday 6th September at 15:30pm. 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

Parents' Consultation Evening 1

Thursday 15th October 2026 - 15:00-19:30

Students finish by 14:30.

Half Term

Thursday 22nd October 2026– Friday 30th October 2026 - **Year 11 sessions TBC.**

Inset Day

Monday 2nd November 2026 - Academy closed to students.

Students return on Tuesday 3rd November 2026 at normal times.

SAFEGUARDING NOTICEBOARD

Feeling happy about how you can look can help you to feel confident. However, it is very normal to worry about the way you look sometimes especially as you grow and go through puberty. Please use the QR code for further support, contact numbers, and tips to help build your confidence and self-esteem.

