

Dear families,

As we approach the end of lockdown two can I take the opportunity to urge you to continue to remain sensible and careful, as so many of you have done up until now. As a school and a community we have been very successful in keeping the transmission of **Covid-19** away from the school. We have not yet had to send any bubbles home. Whilst we know some students and families have contracted the virus outside of school there have not been any examples of transmission in school. We want to keep it that way as our students' education is our first priority. If you or any member of your family shows any symptoms please make sure you self-isolate and let us know as soon as possible. All of our learners have access to remote learning and all of our lessons are uploaded to google classroom so no learner has to miss a single lesson. The teachers have worked exceptionally hard this term to ensure that every one of our students can continue to make progress.

Our Year 11 have been phenomenal over the past week in their attitude and demeanour during their exams. As we do not know what next summer will bring we must ensure that they do as well as they possibly can in these exams. They are certainly playing their part. Keep up the good work next week.

I want to remind you that school will be closed to students on **Friday 4th December** and **Monday 7th December** for staff training and assessment. Remote learning will be provided for all of our learners to complete on Monday 7th December.

Yours sincerely

## JACK PETCHEY

Congratulations to our three latest Jack Petchey Winners who each receive a certificate, letter of congratulations from Sir Jack Petchey, winner's badge to pin on to their blazer and £250 to spend in school or on celebratory events of their choosing:

Leon (Year 9)

Carah (Year 8)

Shenice (Year 8)

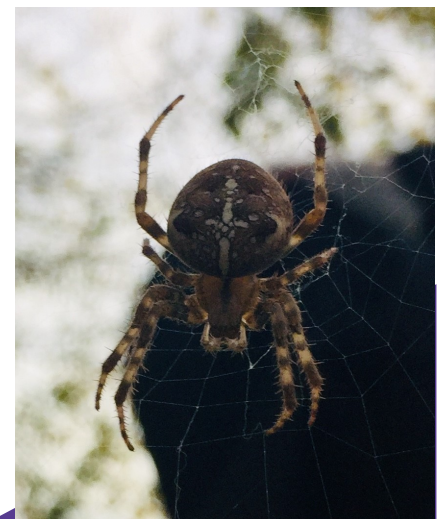


## ART OF THE WEEK



Kaya in Year 9

## PHOTOGRAPHY OF THE WEEK



Jayden in Year 8

## BIG ALLIANCE



On Tuesday this week some of our year 10 Students attended the first online launch of the Mentoring Works programme which matches Year 10 students to business mentors working within the MUFG Financial Group. Students usually travel independently to the mentors place of work after school each fortnight at an agreed time. However due to current national restrictions all mentoring is taking place either via email or telephone. Mentoring sessions consist of support on raising aspirations, employability skills and advice on future pathways whilst also introducing students to the world of work.

Well done to Rehmaan, James, Rosela, Hannan, Diana, Irmak, Inesa, Ethan, Adam, Aaliyah, Jacob, and Ludazine on being selected to complete the programme this academic year.

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## Christmas JUMPER DAY



**Friday 11th December - wear your jumper over your uniform**

## OLD CAMDENIANS

Since 1909, Old Camdenians have been supporting both the school and its pupils with bursaries for education. Catch up on all of the news from Old Camdenians by [clicking here](#)



## REACH OUT

**Well Done**

Well done to all the Year 7, 8 and 9 students who have been attending their online mentoring sessions with Reach Out. This week saw a fantastic 94% attendance. I want to give a special shoutout to the following Reach Out Character Legends: **Micah, Jayden, Samiul, Ryan, Shenice** and **Eowyn** for speaking confidently in front of the group. **Hamid** demonstrated excellent fairness by sharing how much he likes to help other people. and lastly **Trualianne** and **Shun** for taking on the challenge and developing their resilience. #YouGotThis

### MESSAGE FROM HILLDROP COMMUNITY CENTRE

#### Christmas Appeal 2020

With a second lockdown in place and winter approaching there will be many more people feeling isolated and worried about making ends meet.

That's why we've launched our **Christmas Appeal** which aims to provide additional parcels of gifts, toys and Christmas fayre to families with children, people with extra support needs, older people and those living alone.

You can help us provide a Christmas Parcel to a person or family in need by donating:

- \*Festive food\*
- \*Children's toys & games\*
- \*Gifts & decorations\*

We welcome donations at the centre during **Monday to Friday from 10am to 4pm**, or alternatively you can make an **online** donation to help us purchase parcel goods.

#### The Food Hub

**Every Tuesday from 12pm to 2pm (last session Tuesday 15th December)**

Our weekly **Food Hub** is here to provide people in St George's Ward and the surrounding areas with emergency food and essential items.

We also cook up a hot healthy takeaway lunch and distribute freshly cooked meals from **Food For All**.

You don't need a referral to request help. Just come to the centre where you will be asked to fill in a short form. A socially distanced outdoor queuing system is in place. Visitors are asked to be patient and respect our hygiene measures in order to keep everyone safe.

If you or someone you are supporting is not able to come to the centre the **St George's Mutual Aid** group can arrange a local collection.

If you'd like to refer someone to the service, or arrange a collection, please contact [ela...@hilldrop.org.uk](mailto:ela...@hilldrop.org.uk) directly or call 020 7607 9453 and leave a message.

Have your contact details changed recently? Or does your child have a medical condition we do not know about? Please let the office staff know as soon as you can by emailing: [postbox@beacon.org](mailto:postbox@beacon.org)