



Dear Parents & Carers,

This has been another eventful term at Emerson Park Academy.

Our pupils have been working extremely hard and their commitment to their studies is first class.

The summer term is always busy and this year has been no exception. The GCSE examinations have now finished and we have high hopes for some great results in August 2017.

Examination success is a great individual achievement, yet is only made possible through the fantastic support that family, friends and teachers can offer during this challenging period.

These are really exciting times here at Emerson Park Academy and the developments taking shape for next year are going to further promote the superb academic achievements of our pupils.

Once again I should point out just how proud I am of the pupils at this school, the professionalism of our staff and the incredible support of parents and carers.

I hope you all have a great summer break.

Best wishes,

Scott McGuinness
Headteacher
Emerson Park Academy

HLP Awards

On Thursday, 22nd June 2017 ten members of Emerson Park Academy staff were invited to the Havering Learning Partnership Awards at Havering Sixth Form College.

The awards are a celebration of the educational achievements of Havering Schools and an opportunity to reward members of staff for outstanding contributions.

We are delighted to announce that Mr Deane, Mr Vango and Mrs Oldland received awards for outstanding individual endeavour in Modern Foreign Languages, Science and English respectively.



The evening was a wonderful occasion and we look forward to picking up more trophies next year.

New website

In September 2017 we will be launching a new 'dynamic' website to showcase the Academy and inform parents/carers about events. The pupils were very supportive with both the photographs and the videography for the new website and our thanks goes to them. Meanwhile if you have any suggestions for features that you would find useful and supportive, then please let us know.

Duke of Edinburgh

As part of the Diamond celebrations of the DOE Award, each licenced organisation was presented with a plaque to recognise their commitment to offering the award to young people. Mrs Dowling attended Buckingham Palace and was presented with our plaque by Greg Burns.



This year has been an incredibly successful year for our Duke of Edinburgh Award unit. In May 35 of our Year 11 pupils collected their bronze awards from the Mayor at a presentation held Drapers Academy.

Our current Year 10 pupils have been busy fulfilling their volunteering commitment to the award in the local community, learning new skills and taking part in a physical challenge. On top of all that they have been attending after school sessions in preparation for their summer expeditions.

Over the weekend of the 17th/18th June, 45 pupils took part in their practice expedition to Danbury outdoors. This was the hottest June weekend on record and we were incredibly proud they all completed the 2 day hike in such difficult conditions. We are sure they will go on to have a very successful assessed expedition in July.

The Duke of Edinburgh Award continues to be ever popular year on year at Emerson Park. It is available to all pupils in Year 10 and anyone interested should speak to either Mrs Dowling or Mrs Palm.



Induction Day

On the 28th of June 2017 our new Year 7 intake came to visit Emerson Park Academy for the day to get a taste of secondary school life! They had been visited in primary school by Ms Marsh or Mrs Mallen, their Head of Year, so they knew what to expect from the day.

Wearing their primary school uniforms with pride, they bid farewell to their parents and arrived at Emerson Park Academy at 9am. They were put into the forms and Houses that they will be in for the next five years. Mrs Mallen, their Head of Year, spoke to them about her expectations, after they were taken to form time by two Year 10 prefects who then accompanied them throughout the day. Each pupil was given their House T-Shirt which they wore throughout the day. They also received a Year 6 welcome booklet.

The lessons began with PE. Over 200 year 6 pupils in a fantastic array of House colours took to the tennis courts and astro pitch for the next hour. The boys played football, whilst the girls played netball. A variety of other lessons then followed throughout the day including French, PSHE, English, Maths, Art and Science where pupils changed the colour of flames from red to purple to green!

After lunch lessons continued and before they knew it, it was time to go home. After an extremely positive day and still full of enthusiasm and brimming with energy the Year 6's bid farewell to the school and made their way home leaving staff and prefects both happy and exhausted and looking forward to September when we will meet again.

Forensic day

Year 5 pupils from Ardleigh Green Primary School visited Emerson Park Academy to become Crime Scene Investigators. They were greeted by the sound of sirens and a crime scene blocked off by police tape. Science Ambassadors from Year 10 taught them some forensic techniques and helped them solve a murder mystery.

They tested soil samples from the sole of the suspects shoes, tested ink in a letter found at the crime scene, used microscopes to look at hair and fibre samples, looked at finger print samples believed to be from the suspect and made their own personal finger print keyring. They also tested urine samples and used all their results to identify which of three suspects was the murderer.

The EPA Science Ambassadors did a wonderful job teaching them and the Year 5 pupils from Ardleigh Green were excellent Crime Scene Investigators!

WHUFC Primary School Event

On Monday 26th June, the West Ham United Foundation successfully delivered a Primary Launch event here at Emerson Park Academy. Five schools and over 40 Year 5 pupils came and trained with the hard-working and efficient Emerson Park Academy GCSE PE pupils before competing in a closely contested tournament. The coaches from WHU Foundation and the pupils from Emerson Park contributed positively towards making the day enjoyable for all primary school pupils.

The GCSE PE pupils gained experience in delivering high quality football sessions which, in turn, benefitted them in their future leadership and coaching pathways. The primary pupils enjoyed a training lesson led by Emerson Park pupils and all got the chance to play in several matches no matter their gender or ability. Each team was also placed into a play-off final. In the autumn term we will be hosting another launch event here at Emerson Park Academy and look forward to seeing if Elm Park can retain their trophy.

Language leaders

On Friday 14th July, 15 Year 10 Language Leaders visited Squirrels Heath Junior School to take part in their French Day. Throughout this event, the Language Leaders taught 30 minute lessons ranging from Football Teams in France, Daily Routine, Body Parts and Animals; as well as teaching them the French games Pétanque/Boules and even taught them how to order pains au chocolat and croissants in a "French Café"!

The Leaders got to teach lessons in all year groups 3-6 and the primary school pupils were very excited for our visit. The primary school teachers were very complimentary about our pupils and how they made the lessons engaging and exciting. It was a fantastic day and we have displayed photos of the event on our faculty twitter feed; @MFLFacultyEPA if you would like to see more!

Next year we hope to do it all again, with our new cohort of Spanish Language Leaders! Watch this space for more information on how to join in September!

GCSE Exams

The summer GCSE exam season is now over, with in excess of 5000 exams having been sat and a clean bill of health from a JCQ inspector. Our Year 11 pupils have conducted themselves very well, despite the nerves and anxieties that exams bring. We hope that the hard work of the pupils and the staff will be rewarded on the 24th August 2017 and look forward to hearing about the many successes and outstanding performances we will undoubtedly have.

